

The Messenger

May Birthdays

May 24
Dave Fleming

May Anniversaries

May 1st
David & Marcia
Patton

May 1st
Kathy & Claron
Grigsby

May 22
Sam & Kelly
Martin



Pleasant View General Baptist Church

HOMECOMING SUNDAY - JUNE 3RD

The Pleasant View General Baptist Church will be celebrating their 59th anniversary on June 3, 2007. The Chosen Ones from Manchester, IL will be the featured singers. We will not have Sunday School so it will give time for The Chosen Ones to get their equipment set up and give the ladies time to get preparation done in the kitchen.

They will be singing in the morning worship service which will begin at 10:30 a.m. instead of the normal 10:45. We will have a potluck meal at 12:00 noon. There will be an afternoon singing at 2:00 p.m. with The Chosen Ones as the featured group. Feel free to come and worship with us.

By Eleanor Fleming



From The Pastor's Desk . . .

Several years ago I was walking around the neighborhood for exercise and as I was walking I saw a young boy looking up a tree. I went over to see what was going on and up in the tree was a woman. (It turned out to be his mother.) She got stuck in the tree trying to get his ball down and so I helped her down.

After she got over the embarrassment she asked me who I was and I told her. I asked if she attended Church. She said no and that she

wasn't ready to start but she would love to send the kids. The next Sunday we picked up her son and daughter on the Church bus. Several weeks after they had been attending their parents planned a Sunday trip to a Zoo. The kids didn't want to go because they didn't want to miss Sunday School. This surprised both of the parents and so they decided they were going to take the kids to Church to find out what was going on that would make them want to go to

Church over a trip to the Zoo. In the morning service during the invitation they raised their hands that they need to be saved. And that morning they walked down the isle and when I met them at the front they told me that they wanted to accept Christ as their Savior. Both the kids had made the same decision a week before and so two weeks later the entire family followed the Lord in believer's baptism. What a joy to see a family come to Christ together.

Christian Cadet Club ----- News

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I want to thank everyone for their help in our youth program. We want to try to keep the cost down in this program so we are asking for your help. If you can donate candy bars (full size bars or mini bars) please see Bro. Sam or Kelly. Also anything you might want to donate for the "Treasure Chest" would be greatly appreciated.

We might have some kids who are not able to buy their club shirt. Anyone wanting to donate a shirt to a clubber please give Bro. Sam \$8.50.

We would like to serve some refreshments on club night. In order not to add anything more on our overloaded workers, I would like to ask if you would take one night a month and take the responsibility to see that we have refreshments. It can be simple, punch and cookies or something like that. Please I would ask that you not have refreshments loaded with sugar as they will already be full of energy when they get here. Thank you in advance for your help!!!

I would also like to encourage our workers to buy and wear the club tee shirt. It helps the spirit of the club and allows the clubber to see you in a different light. See Bro. Sam about ordering a tee shirt.

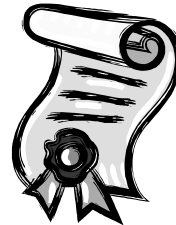
If you know of any clubber who cannot afford a tee shirt please see Bro. Sam and we will take care of it privately.

**Thank You, Workers!!
Great Job**

Upcoming News...

We're on the Web!
See us at:
www.pvgbc.org

On May 13th we will honor all the ladies of our Church. Please make plans to be here on this Sunday. Each and every lady is special and we want to honor them.



On May 27th we will be honoring those who are serving our country or have served our country in the past in the armed services.

92-year-old, petite, well-poised and proud man, who is fully dressed each morning by eight o'clock, with his hair fashionably coifed and shaved perfectly, even though he is legally blind, moved to a nursing home today. His wife of 70 years recently passed away, making the move necessary. After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, he smiled sweetly when told his room was ready. As he maneuvered his walker to the elevator, I provided a visual description of his tiny room, including the eyelet sheets that had been hung on his window. "I love it," he stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year-old having just been presented with a new puppy. "Mr. Jones, you haven't seen the room; just wait." "That doesn't have anything to do with it," he replied. "Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not doesn't depend on how the furniture is arranged ... it's how I arrange my mind. I already decided to love it. "It's a decision I make every morning when I wake up. I have a choice; I can spend the day in bed recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that no longer work, or get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do. Each day is a gift, and as long as my eyes open, I'll focus on the new day and all the happy memories I've stored away. Just for this time in my life Old age is like a bank account. You withdraw from what you've put in. So, my advice to you would be to deposit a lot of happiness in the bank account of memories! Thank you for your part in filling my Memory bank. I am still depositing." Remember the five simple rules to be happy: 1. Free your heart from hatred. 2. Free your mind from worries. 3. Live simply. 4. Give more. 5. Expect less.

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