February 2021

Thank you for your faithfulness with your tithes and offerings. Through December31, our status is:

ANNUAL BUDGET REQUIREMENT	\$ 1,754,755.65
REC'D THRU 12/31/20	<u>\$ 1,802,806.19</u>
REC'D OVER BUDGET	\$ 48,050.54
TITHES AND OFFERINGS REC'D TO DATE	\$ 1,802,806.19
SPENT TO DATE	\$ 1,794,957.91
HERITAGE FUND REC'D THR 12/31/20	\$ 71,697.04





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What a pleasure to share with you good news about the ministries of PVS in the midst of the COVID pandemic. We sent over 1,400 boxes to the Operation Christmas Child.

God performed a miracle through you with our finances. Our budget was \$1,754,755 for 2020. Just in tithes you gave \$1,802,806, a single year record in the history of PVS. In addition to tithes, you gave \$14,516 to Lottie Moon International missions, to \$5,535 Annie Armstrong North American Mission and \$71,697 for the Heritage Fund to retire our debt.

Because of your generosity, we gave gifts to the Salvation Army, additional funds to Haven Healthcare for Women, GA Baptist Children's Home, William Davies Shelter for men, the Naomi House for women, the Community Kitchen and the FCBA Food Pantry. We also paid an additional end of the year payment to reduce our debt by \$40,000. I think about all the weeks we have been closed for COVID precautions and you remained faithful. One member said, "Just because we can't come to church does not mean we stop giving." The sun never sets on the ministries you support here and around the world.

We need to continue outreach. Your gifts enabled us to partner with Chic-fil-A. We provided meals, a note on your behalf signed by the staff expressing prayer support and appreciation for frontline workers. A Gospel track from the Billy Graham Association was presented to every recipient: Floyd ER employees, Kindred and temporary COVID units at Floyd Medical Center, Redmond Diagnostics, Harbin Gastroenterology, Floyd County Police 1st and 2nd shifts, 911 employees, Floyd County Sheriffs employees and Rome/Floyd County Fire Department's Inspection Office, E 12th Street Fire Station, Wax Road Fire Station and Cave Spring Road Fire Station. We must connect with people and continue to share the gospel. We placed Gospel tracks in the hands of over 500 frontline workers.

We will re-open on January 31 for Bible Study and worship. Please take precautions to protect yourself and others. I have taken round one of the COVID vaccination. I am wearing my mask in businesses. I am so ready for this crisis to end.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter as our staff will share what they are doing and what they are accomplishing in their area of ministry.

Your Pastor,

Phil May

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One of the choir members sent this picture to me saying, "Thanks for this ministry." We, as God's children called to lead in worship, have met together faithfully through Zoom to practice, learn new songs, fellowship, pray, to prepare ourselves for worship. I want to thank the choir for their commitment and their desire to use what He has given them. Music is a powerful medium that we all use every day. May this be a season when the music you listen to lifts your souls to the heavenly Father and restores your faith in the ONE who has the power to help us through this tough time in our lives. Truly, He is worthy of our praise and adoration—and our faith!

If you would like to join the choir, please let me know. I can send you the music to look at and listen to online. Then when we get together on Zoom on Wednesday night, you can come be a part of us. We would love to have you!



Ted Fuller Minister of Education/Business Administrator

I am glad to announce that we will be re-starting Sunday School and our morning worship service on

January 31. We will have all classes available in the children, student and adult divisions. I hope you will make plans to be with us as we return to in-person Bible study and worship. Please remember to follow social distancing guidelines while on our church campus.

Also, we will have a new virtual discipleship training class beginning on February 7. The class is the "Amazing Collection Bible Study", and this session will cover the book of Matthew. It will be held each Sunday at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom. Sylvia Brophy is the facilitator of the class. If you are interested in being a part of the class, please contact Sylvia at 770-262-7140.

STUDENT FUSION

Sundays @ 6:00 p.m. Dan Fuller

It has been an eventful winter for Student Fusion! In December we had a Christmas Party with a giant trampoline snow globe, food, fun and so much more. You can watch a stop motion video of the event and clean up on social media. After Christmas, we went to Xtreme Winter in Gatlinburg, TN. We got to hear Lecrae, Crowder, Johnny Hunt and Tim Tebow! One of our students even got to meet and take a picture with Johnny Hunt, after running into him on his way to the bathroom. In the New Year we have been meeting as often as possible and we will start back to a normal youth schedule on January 31. What is a normal youth schedule? I'm so glad you asked!

Sunday Morning Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Nights 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Nights 6:00 p.m.

The best way to get information about Student Fusion is by signing up for our weekly emails. Go to studentfusion.com and fill out the email form at the bottom of the page.



PVS kids has had an unusual start to 2021, but we're ready to get back on track beginning Sunday, January 31. Our 1st-5th graders will continue to meet at 9:00 a.m. for Sunday School in the Awana Game Room while our kindergartners and preschoolers will meet in their regular classrooms in the children's building. We also

have volunteers lined up to care for children, newborn through kindergarten, during the worship hour. Please know that we are taking every precaution to ensure the health and safety of all our children, teachers, and volunteers. Kenneth Leroy and his team do a thorough job of cleaning and sanitizing our children's facilities each week and we appreciate the work they do very much.

During this "downtime" PVS kids has been busy revamping the technology in all our classrooms, cleaning and organizing existing storage and resource rooms, and beginning our preparation for VBS and Music Week for this summer. Weekly Sunday School lessons have also been mailed to all PVS kids on roll. God is still working in the lives of our families through social media, video streaming, and yes, even snail mail! For example, the mother of one of our sweet PVS kids let me know that after doing the Sunday School lesson that was mailed to them and watching the service online, her little girl prayed to accept Jesus as her Savior! The dad was guarantined because of COVID downstairs away from the rest of the family, but they still prayed together via phone! This was such an encouragement to me, and I hope it is to you also. Our 2021 PVS kids verse for the year is taken from Matthew 22:37, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." Please continue to pray for the ministry of PVS kids as we partner with parents and caregivers to seek to grow boys and girls into spiritually mature young men and women.

I can't wait to see everyone on Sunday, January 31st!



Billy Fricks, Associate Pastor

Missions and Outreach Ministry

First of all, I want to personally thank everyone who gave to the 2020 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering last month. Our 3,600 plus International Mission Board missionaries continue to faithfully serve the Lord around the world and will be greatly blessed by your sacrificial gifts.

I also want to report to you that the Missions and Outreach ministry here at Pleasant Valley South continues to serve our PVS members during this challenging time. In the month of December, we were able to clean the gutters at the homes of several of our widows and widowers. Most recently we constructed a handicap ramp at the home of a PVS church member. If you know of anyone in our church family or community who could possibly benefit from our ministry, please do not hesitate to give me a call and share the need with me.

Internationally, we are still waiting for COVID numbers in Peru and Ukraine to decline to a point that we can safely travel and minister there. We have tentatively scheduled a Peru trip the second week in April and one to Ukraine June 4-12. However, no sign-up or planning meetings are scheduled at this time due to the uncertainties associated with the coronavirus. Presently, the July 7-16 Israel Mission Trip is still a go with seven PVS members signed up. I will keep you updated on the status of each of these mission trips as more information becomes available. Thank you all for your prayers and financial support of our ministries.

On Mission With Him,



Kathy