## **Financial Report**

Thank you for your faithfulness with your tithes and offerings. Through March 31, our status is:

ANNUAL BUDGET REQUIREMENT 2023 REC'D thru03/30/2023 NEED TO MEET ANNUAL BUDGET	<u>\$</u>	1,879,593.25 405,912.90 1,473,680.35
MONTHLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT	\$	156,632.77
REC'D THRU 03/31/2023	\$	116,893.82
RECEIVED UNDER BUDGET	\$	(39,738.95)
TITHES AND OFFERINGS YTD	\$	405,912.90
OTHER INCOME RECEIVED YTD	\$	30,011.31
	\$	319,030.39
SPENT TO DATE	\$	397,226.24
OVER SPENT YTD	\$	(78,195.85)
HERITAGE FUNDS REC'D THRU 03/31/2023	\$	5,365.00



# **Ga Baptist Children's Home Load the Truck**

Starting today thru June 18 we will be collecting food for the GA Baptist Children's Home. There will be a barrel in the Welcome Center for collection. Below are the items needed:

canned chicken
boxed snack crackers, chips and cookies
paper plates with sections
toilet paper
garbage bags (20 gallon or larger)
Lysol Disinfectant spray
Fabuloso cleaner
Kroger gift cards
Publix gift cards
Walmart gift cards





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The flowers are blooming and the pollen is almost gone. The seasons are changing. This reminds us of honoring Mom and our graduates.

My mother always considered her children "her babies". We (the children) did not like being treated in that manner. We desired to be seen as mature adults (at least in our 30's). She was a great example of a mother of faith. From the time I was a child, she taught us Bible stories and made sure we prayed before we went to bed. I miss her every day.

I've enjoyed watching the children of the church grow up and graduate from high school and college. I recall one graduate who went into the nursing profession saying when she got her first check, "I can't believe how much they pay me!" We celebrate with the families the accomplishments of the class of 2023.

Your Pastor, Phil May



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### **Eric Gargus, Youth Minister**

Graduate Recognition Sunday is April 21, 2023. There will be a special recognition time in the worship service, gifts for all graduates, and a luncheon for graduates and their immediate family members after the service. I need some things from graduates of all levels of education to solidify plans for this very special day:

- 1. Email <a href="mailto:eric.gargus@pvsbc.org">eric.gargus@pvsbc.org</a> with your graduate's name, school, and diploma/degree information.
- 2. Include a recent picture in your email.
- 3. If your family plans to enjoy the graduate family luncheon, then include the number of attendees you anticipate in your email. Please note that the luncheon is for the graduates, their immediate family members, and grandparents/great-grandparents.

The DEADLINE for this information to be received is Sunday, May 7, 2023.

Participating HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS will have two additional memories created for them on this special day:

1. SENIOR DISPLAY TABLE: Seniors and their families may display pictures and memorabilia on half of an 8'x3' table in the foyer. Display items may be brought in and set up prior to Sunday School on Graduate Recognition Sunday. If you need ideas, then please contact me (Eric) and I can send you picture samples of graduate tables.

2. SENIOR VIDEO: Seniors will be part of a keepsake video of pictures from their births to graduations. This video will be played prior to the service that day, at the luncheon, and then on-demand on my (Eric's) YouTube channel. Digital copies will also be presented to families of graduates.

Graduates are encouraged to remember God's infinite wisdom, and to live by Proverbs 16: 3: "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans."



### **Ted Fuller**

Minister of Education/Business Administrator

I recently read a quote regarding the impact of a mother on her family. The quote read, "To the world you are a mother, but to your family you are the world." Happy Mother's Day to all our PVS mothers. We thank you for your faithfulness and

dedication to your family and to your church. Be encouraged that God will honor your commitment to being a godly mother and the sacrifices that you make will not go unnoticed. The psalmist said, "Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her." (Proverbs 31:28 NKJV)

As you know, we paid off our bank loan in February and we are now debt free. The PVS staff appreciates your continued faithful giving of your tithes and offerings. Your faithful giving enables us to continue the ministries of the church and meet our financial needs.

### Richard Brown



### **Associate Pastor for Evangelism and Missions**

Make your plans to be part of *Love Your Neighbor Week* coming up June 25-28! There are two key components to *Love Your Neighbor*: Prayer and Ministry. Let's talk about prayer first.

On Sunday night, June 25, you are encouraged to gather in the Worship Center at 5 pm as we pray for our church, our community and our nation. Please understand my heart. We are gathering to *labor* in prayer. Laboring in prayer involves anguishing over the lost. It involves lamenting over the brokenness of our sin-cursed world. It involves going to battle against the demonic strongholds and the forces of darkness. Prayer is intimacy with God. Prayer is also spiritual warfare. If we are to see and experience revival and spiritual awakening in our church, community and our country, we must *anguish* in prayer. You are invited to join us for an open-ended time of prayer. You may come and go as you wish. We will close the church by no later than 10 pm. Monday through Wednesday, you are welcome to come to the Worship Center for prayer at any time during the day after 8 am. The worship center will be open until 10 pm each night. If you are not involved in a mission project you are warmly invited to come!

Now, let's talk about *Ministry*. On Monday through Wednesday, we will be doing mission projects in our community. All Adult Sunday School classes are asked to identify and complete at least one mission project through the week. Ted has sent out a list of mission project ideas you can choose from or come up with one of your own. I will be in touch with adult teachers to help with choosing a project.

As a part of *Love Your Neighbor Week*, we will also be hosting a mission team from *The Gathering Place Church*, in Roy, Utah. Pastor Jim Panagoplos will be bringing a small group to help with projects in our community. We will be partnering with *The Gathering Place* church and other Southern Baptist Churches in the Salt Lake area. I look forward to introducing him and his team to our church family.

Please be praying for a dynamic move of God's Spirit as we labor in pray and as we minister to others in Jesus' Name!



### Mark Winstead, Minister of Music

"We're an anchor for those who are hurting, a harbor for those who are lost. Sometimes it's not always easy bearing Calvary's cross. We've been ridiculed by those who don't know Him, and mocked by those who don't believe. Still I love standing up for my Jesus 'cause of all that He's done for me. That's why I am not ashamed of the Gospel, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I am not afraid to be counted, but I'm willing to give my life. See, I'm ready to be all He wants me to be. Give up the wrong for the right. I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

\*I Am Not Ashamed, by Dawn Thomas

Let's stand together as we proclaim the Gospel. Let's rise together as we praise and honor our Lord Jesus Christ. Let's stand and be counted among those who are willing to give our all for the One who gave His all for us. Come join us in the choir as we proclaim Him and all that He's done for us.



### Kathy Winstead, Minister of Children

In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill recognizing the second Sunday of May as the national holiday known as Mother's Day. Cards will be purchased, flowers bought, candy and

gifts presented, and some corsages will even be worn to church on that day. Mothers impact our lives like no other and truly deserve our respect and appreciation. The Bible speaks often about mothers. In Exodus 20:12 and Proverbs 31:31, the Lord tells us to honor them for the work they've done. In Isaiah 66:13, God says He will comfort us as a mother comforts her child. The Bible also gives us many examples of sacrificial love through Jochebed, Hannah, and Mary, the mother of Jesus. I'm thankful for my own mother, and although she passed away over 10 years ago, I still think of her often and am so grateful for the years she was with us. She was small in stature but was a woman of great dignity and unwavering faith. Mom and I shared a deep love of chocolate-covered cherries and Jeopardy! Insignificant things to most, but sweet memories for me.

But I understand not everyone has sweet memories of their mother. Not all have been blessed with a mother they felt was honorable and deserving of respect. But God commands us to respect them, nonetheless. For most people in this situation, God has placed women in their lives that have become like a mother to them. This has been true in Mark's life, and I know he's thankful for the "moms" who have invested in and encouraged him over the years.

We also appreciate the women who have never had children of their own but have been instrumental in the lives of many generations of children. These women also deserve to be showered with praise on Mother's Day.

I hope you'll take time to show love and appreciation to all the "mothers" in your life. It doesn't have to be an extravagant gift or a fancy store-bought card. It can be a simple "thank you" and a hug, a handwritten note, or a brief phone call.

I'd like to say a special thank you to the many mothers who serve our children and families through PVS kids. We're grateful for all you do and appreciate you very much! Happy Mother's Day!

- Kathy

