



Enter His gates with
Thanksgiving and His
courts with Praise
Psalm 100:4

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					Christmas Bazaar 3-7 9-3 Change clock's back	
4 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	12	13	14 <i>Ladies Refreshing</i> 6:30 P.M. <i>All ladies welcome</i>	15	16	17
18 <i>Worship</i> 10 A.M. Evening 6 P.M.	19	20	21	22 	23	24
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Happy
November
Birthday's

Pleasant Grove Pentecostal Church
From the Pastors Desk

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November being the month we celebrate Thanksgiving, I feel the message should be on being thankful. In 1Thessalonians 5:18 ***In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.*** In America we have the concept we deserve every blessing we have. Yet, I know I couldn't breathe my next breath without God. I thank God His word says, ***I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me,*** not on my own.

I have so many things to thank God for that we so many times take for granted. First my salvation, His grace, His love, His name and His being long suffering. For the joy and peace Jesus has put in my heart, and a blessed hope no one can take away. The everyday things in life, food, clothes, my home. I thank God at night when I lay my head on a pillow with a warm blanket to pull over me. My family in which I love very much. There is so much to thank Him for.

Then Paul said in Phillippians 1:3 & 5 ***I thank God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now.*** This is one thing I really thank God for, this congregation that God has given me to be a pastor over. God has put some of the most precious people in the world right here in Pleasant Grove Church. I thank God for, our Praise Team, all the teacher's and staff in our church.

I thank God for my wife for my helpmate to stand with me and to support me. In fact I found out if I make a list of things I need to give thanks for it's a whole lot longer than the negative list.

Take time to give thanks to the Lord in all things for this is God's will.

Happy Thanksgiving and God Bless

Pastor Denny

The Pastor and his son

Every Sunday afternoon after the morning service at the church, the Pastor and his eleven year old son would go out into their town and hand out Gospel tracts. This particular Sunday afternoon, as it came time for the Pastor and his son to go to the streets with their tracts, it was very cold outside as well as pouring rain. The boy bundled up in his warmest and driest clothes and said, "OK, dad, I'm ready." His pastor dad asked, "Ready for what?" "Dad, it's time we gather our tracts together and go out." Dad responded. "Son, it's very cold outside and it's pouring down rain." The boy gives his dad a surprised look asking, "But Dad, aren't people still going to Hell even though it's raining?" Dad answers, "Son, I am not going out in this weather." Despondently the boy asks, dad can I go? "Please?" His father hesitated for a moment then said, "Son, you can go. Here are the tracts, be careful son." Thanks Dad! "And with that he was off and out into the rain. This eleven year old boy walked the streets of the town going door to door and handing everybody he met in the street a Gospel Tract. After two hours of walking in the rain, he soaking, bone-chilled wet and down to his VERY LAST TRACT. He stopped on a corner and looked for someone to hand a tract to, but the streets were totally deserted. Then he turned toward the first home he saw and started up the sidewalk to the front door and rang the bell, but nobody answered. He rang it again and again but still no one answer. Finally, this eleven year old trooper turned to leave, but something stopped him. Again, he turned to the door and rang the bell and knocked loudly on the door with his fist. He waited, something holding him there on the front porch. He rang again and this time the door slowly opened. Standing in the doorway was a very sad-looking elderly lady. She softly asked, "What can I do for you son?" With radiant eyes and a smile that lit up her world, this little boy said, "Ma'am, I'm sorry if I disturbed you, but I just wanted to tell you that "JESUS REALLY DOES LOVE YOU" and I came to give you my very last Gospel Tract which will tell you all about JESUS and His great LOVE." With that he handed her his last tract and turned to leave. She called him as he departed. "Thank you son! And God Bless You!"

Well, the following Sunday morning in church Pastor dad was in the pulpit. As the service began, he asked, "Does anybody have testimony or want to say anything?" Slowly in the back row of the church, as the elderly lady stood to her feet. She began to speak, a look of glorious radiance came to her face, "No one in this church knows me. I've never been here before. You see, before last Sunday I was not a Christian. My husband passed on some time ago. Leaving me totally alone in this world. Last Sunday being a particularly cold and rainy day, it was even more so in my heart that I came to the end of the line where I no longer had any hope to live. So I took a rope and a chair and descended the stairway into the attic of my home. I fastened the rope securely to a rafter in the roof, then stood on the chair and fastened the other end on my neck. Standing on that chair, so lonely and broken-hearted I was about to leap off, when suddenly the loud ringing of my doorbell downstairs startled me. I thought, "I'll wait a

minute and whoever it was will go away.” I waited and waited but the ringing doorbell seemed to get louder and louder more insistent and person also started knocking loudly. all the while the bell rang louder and louder. When I opened the door and looked I could hardly believe my eyes, for there on my porch was the most radiant and angelic little boy I had ever seen in my life. His SMILE , oh, I could never describe it to you ! The words that came from his mouth caused my heart that had long been dead, TO LEAP TO LIFE as he exclaimed with a cherub like voice, “Ma’am, I just came to tell you that JESUS REALLY DOES LOVE YOU.” Then he gave me this Gospel Tract that I now hold in my hand. As the little angel disappeared back out into the cold and rain, I closed my door and read slowly every word of this Gospel Tract. Then I went up to my attic to get my rope and chair. I wouldn’t be needing them anymore. You see I am now a happy child of the KING. Since the address of your church was on the back of the tract, I have come here to personally say Thank You to God’s little angel who came just in the nick of time and by so doing, spared my soul from eternity in hell.”

There was not a dry eye in the church. And as shouts of praise and honor to THE KING resounding off the very rafter of the building, Pastor Dad descended from the pulpit to the front pew where the little angel was seated. He took his son in his arms and sobbed uncontrollably. No papa was more filled with love and honor for his son... Except for One. This Father also allowed His Son to go out into a cold and dark world. He received His Son back with joy unspeakable and as all of Heaven shouts praises and honor to The King, who sits at the Father’s right side.

Cold Winter Ahead

It was October and the Indians on a remote reservation asked their new Chief if the coming winter was going to be cold or mild. Since in a modern society he had never been taught the old secrets. When he looked at the sky he couldn’t tell what the winter was going to be like. Nevertheless, to be on the safe side he told his tribe that the winter was indeed going to be cold and the members of the village should collect firewood to be prepared. But being a practical leader, after several days he got an idea. He went to the phone booth, called the National Weather Service and asked, “Is the coming winter going to be cold ?” “It looks like this winter is going to be quite cold,” the meteorologist at the weather service responded. So the Chief went back to his people and told them to collect even more firewood in order to be prepared. A week later the Chief called the Weather Service and said, “Does it still look like a bad winter ?” “Yes” replied the meteorologist. The Chief again told his people to collect every scrap of firewood. Two weeks later the Chief called the National Weather Service again. “Are you absolutely sure that winter is going to be very cold ?” “Absolutely” the man replied. “It’s looking more and more like it is going to be one of the coldest winters ever.” How can you be so sure?” the Chief asked. The weatherman replied. “The Indians are collecting firewood like crazy.”

8 things to remember when going through tough times.

1. Everything can-and will-change
2. You've overcome challenges before
3. It's a learning experience
4. Not getting what you want can be a blessing
5. Allow yourself to have some fun
6. Being kind to yourself is the best medicine
7. Other's negativity isn't worth worrying about
8. And there is always, always, always something to be thankful for

Six ethics of life— Before you Pray— Believe.

Before you speak— Listen. Before you spend— Earn. Before you write— Think. Before you Quit— Try. Before you Die— Live.

Faith Step: Make a list of the top twenty blessings you're thankful for. Praise God for each one first thing tomorrow morning.

If you have not received that gift of eternal life with Him, then pray this short prayer to the One who gave us

victory over death through Jesus Christ.

I know that I am a sinner and need your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ died for my sins. I am willing to turn from my sins. I now

invite Jesus Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Savior. I will confess you before men, study your Word and live according to your will as you guide me. Thank you for sending Jesus so that I might have eternal life.

Your word says in Romans 10:9-10 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt

believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man

believeth unto righteousness. And with the mouth Confession is made unto salvation. Amen

Prayer Request

Place request in prayer basket at the altar, or mail them and we will place them in the prayer basket for you.

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