

# PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

December 15, 2024

## Welcome!



*“Fear not, stand firm,  
and see the salvation of  
the Lord, which He will  
work for you today...The  
Lord will fight for you,  
and you have only to be  
silent.”*

Join us this evening  
at 6pm for another  
lesson in our “Why  
Should I Believe”  
series.

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## Prayer List

**Faye Head** and **Martha Gregory** are recovering from covid, and **Lowell** has pneumonia

**Mamie Hamilton** will be getting an epidural for her back pain

**Randall Brinkley** was able to go home Wednesday.

**Kim Waller** is home after a recent hospital stay from a fractured femur and ankle

**Barbra McDonald** (Sherrie Russell’s mother) is home recovering from her leg injury

**Dick Chapman** is doing well after heart surgery

**Darinda Paul** was in the hospital last week, and is home now

Continue to pray for: **James Gupton**, **Hunter Crouch**, the **John Hayes** family, **Brian West** family, **Linda Demonbreun**, **Leigh Smith**, **Robert Williams**, **Ronnie Mayo**, **Rebecca Brown**, **Donnie Garrett**, **Forshia Pennington**, **Carol Saling**, **Camille Brosky**, those in **Ukraine**, and **Bill Gillock**

*We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night at 7pm as we study together*

## Serving Today

**Song Leader:**  
Charlie Baker

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)

**Scripture Reading:**  
David Billingsley

**Prayer:**  
Jearmie Gupton

WORSHIP (10:30 am)

**Scripture Reading:**  
Eddie Walker  
*I Peter 5:1-5*

**Wait On Table:**  
Dwight Pennington

**Serve:**  
Johnny Walker  
Jerry Butterworth

**Prayer:**  
Jeff Baker

## Service Times

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 am
Sunday PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 pm

## Follow Us



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Because of the suffering and persecution faced by these Christians (4:17), Peter recognizes the need for strong pastoral leadership to protect the body from these outside forces

Elder = πρεσβύτερος (presbyteros)  
Elders in Acts:  
-Acts 11:30 - The church in Antioch of Syria sent relief to the elders in Judea  
-Acts 14:21-23 - Paul and Barnabas appoint Elders at all the churches in Galatia  
Qualifications  
-1Tim 3:1-7  
-Tit 1:5-9

Basis of Peter's Appeal

- (1) He is their fellow elder - In John 21:15-19, Jesus charged Peter with the care of his sheep.
- (2) He is a witness of Christ's sufferings. -Acts 1:8; 3:15; 10:39
- (3) He is a partaker of the coming glory.

**[So]** I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed:

"shepherd the flock"

Shepherds and Sheep are commonly used as metaphors in scripture:

- Gen 48:15
- Psalm 23; 100:3
- Isa 53:6-7
- Lk 15:3-7
- Jn 10:1-16

Paul's Exhortation to the Ephesian Elders

-Acts 20:17-35

"<sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup>and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them."

<sup>2</sup>shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, *not under compulsion, but willingly*, as God would have you; *not for shameful gain, but eagerly*;

<sup>3</sup>*not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock.*

"crown of glory" >> Jam 1:12; 2Ti 4:6-8

<sup>4</sup>And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

How They Were to Do It

Not

-Under compulsion

But

-Willingly

Not

-For shameful gain

But

-Eagerly

Not

-Domineering over those in your charge

But

-Being examples

Chief Shepherd

Only occurs here in the New Testament

John 10:14 - Perhaps Peter is remembering Jesus' description of Himself as the "Good Shepherd"

Heb 13:20 - Jesus described as the "great shepherd of the sheep"

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Elders and Members have a mutual responsibility to each other

**[Likewise]** you who are younger, be subject to the elders. **Clothe yourselves**, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

"Clothe yourselves"

Translates the word egkombōsasthe, which refers to a slave putting on an apron before serving

...like Jesus did:

-Jn 13:1-20

"you who are younger"

-Intended to include all who are not Elders  
Why...because they are working to prepare and protect us.

-Heb 13:17

"with humility" > Expands the emphasis from Elders to "one another". Humility should be a hallmark of the Lord's church:

-1Pe 3:8; Prov 3:34; Phil 2:1-4

This ties Peter's exhortation concerning Elders to his general exhortations in vv. 6-12.