



Wanda Phifer and Christopher D. Phifer

Pleasant Hill Interim Pastor

The members of Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church are excited to present their interim Pastor, Christopher D. Phifer, and his wife, Missionary Wanda Phifer. The Phifers have allowed God to prepare them for this task.

Christopher D. Phifer was saved under the ministry of his father, the late Prophet Solomon C. Phifer, Sr. in New York. He has pastored churches in New York and Tennessee.

His ministry extended to diverse organizations, including homeless shelters and prison ministries, as well as teaching in Children's Church, Youth and Senior groups.

Phifer holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from Howard University, a Master of Divinity from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry in Preaching as Leadership from Memphis Theological Seminary. He is married to his beautiful wife,

Wanda, and they have one son, Christopher II.

Wanda Phifer has served in the Memphis City Schools System Legacy for twenty-five years. She assists her husband, Pastor Christopher D. Phifer, in Pastoral Ministry as Sunday School Superintendent and Director of Christian Education.

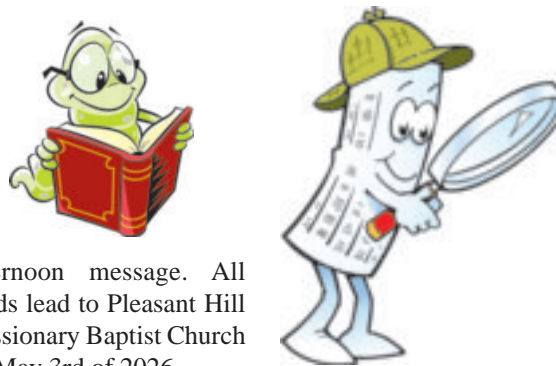
She received her B.S. Degree in Education. She is also a graduate of the University of Mississippi with a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction. Also, she received a +45 Degree in Administration and Supervision from Union University.

Additionally, Pleasant Hill MB Church family will celebrate their 148th Church's anniversary on May 3rd, 2026 at 11:00 A.M.. A complimentary Luncheon will be served between the 11:00 AM service and the 3:00 PM service.

Pastor Christopher Phifer will deliver the 11:00 AM morning message, and Pastor Wayne Tinnon of Memphis Tn. will deliver the 3:00 PM



Pastor Calvin Hawkins and the Mission Department of United M.B Church of Coffeeville removed a tree from the home of Ms. Marilyn Upshaw on Elvira Jackson Street. Special thanks to Deacon Clayton Horton and Minister Marvin Horton for a job well done.



afternoon message. All roads lead to Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church on May 3rd of 2026.

Mother's Day Program



Jeanette Walker-Moore

You are invited to our Mother's Day program. Retreat a Mother. Come out and have a great time.

Date 5/10/26 Time 2:00 P.M. Place: Bruce Forestry Museum. Guest Speaker Overseers Jeanette Walker-Moore. Lunch served from 12:30 to 1:45pm.

Thanks Calhoun/Yalobusha Outreach.

Moose Chapel Usher Day

From the Pastor and Members of Moose Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, Coffeeville, Ms, you are cordially invited to come and worship with us on our Usher Day program, Sunday, April 26th, 2026 at 2:00 P.M.

Rev. Gregory Wilson and the Mt. Grove M.B. Church will be our guests.

Your presence will be appreciated. We hope to see you there.

Thanks in advance.

Rev. Warren Johnson, Pastor

Sponsors, Ushers

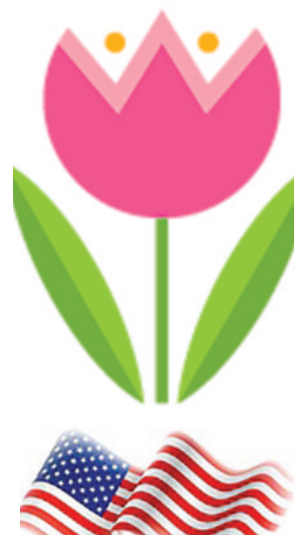
Sis. Naomi Jennings, Usher President

Pine Grove Homecoming

Pine Grove Baptist Church will have their annual Homecoming on Sunday, May 3rd. Services begin at 10:45 with a pot-luck luncheon to follow.

We look forward to seeing you!

Pine Grove Baptist Church
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Coffeeville, MS 38922



Tillatoba News By Patcie Deck

With these wonderful cool days, I was craving chicken and dressing so I got up Sunday morning and with David's help, we made a delicious 9 x 13 dish of chicken and dressing. Daughter Donna Garripoli and son Tim Sullivan helped us put a big dent in it. I had a bag of cranberries, so I made some fresh cranberry sauce. Candied yams and English peas topped it all off!

Joey and Katelyn McClanahan and Brandon McClanahan visited Lila and Gerri Myrick Sunday. They also visited with other family members. They had fun fishing Saturday with Bobby Joe McClanahan.

My friend, Lisa Havens is showing out with some beautiful crochet pieces. I have had my crochet thread stashed back for a while, but after seeing some of the things she has made, I got mine back out and doing pretty good with light colors but dark colors I have to have a magnifying glass and a good light. I'm working on two different afghans and hope to finish them soon. Thanks, Lisa for inspiring me.

Martha Box had a great drive out to her brothers, Ronnie Wortham's who lives

in Palestine, Tx. Sister Joyce Stevens and daughter, Candy Box kept me going and coming! Sure enjoyed all the family and friends gathered at Ronnie's. Jesse Wortham and Wyatt went too in their car. Talk about racing to beat us women.

Well they did by just a little.

Ronnie's crew sure cooked up a good crayfish boil! Best part was all at the gathering. Lot of great music! Martha and the kids did a bit of Shimmy Shake and slow dancing!

She said she missed church but talked and shared Jesus with several.

Now this wore out driver is headed to bed! Waylon and Holly Dukes took their children, Haven Rose and Waylon Jr to the Movie Palace in Grenada Sunday afternoon to see the movie "The Super Mario Galaxy."

Celebrating birthday's this week are Tootie Billingsley on the 22nd, Louise Arnold and Bobby Epps on the 23rd, Jennifer Bowman on the 24th, Linda Robinson Colton on the 26th, Mary Ann Carpenter on the 27th, Tim Little on the 28th, and Renee DeLancey on the 30th. May you all have a great time celebrating your special day!



Recipe for the week:

Banana Bundt Cake

Ingredients

1 Box Yellow Cake Mix
1 small box instant
Banana Cream jello Mix
4 Eggs, (large) lightly beaten

1 Cup Water
3 Tbl Sour Cream
¼ Cup Canola Oil
1 Cup Bananas, mashed over-ripe, (about 2)

Frosting ingredients
4 ounces Cream Cheese, softened

1 ½ Cups powdered sugar

Dash of Vanilla
Dash of Heavy Cream
Preheat oven to 350°F, with rack on the lower-middle position so the cake isn't too high in the oven.

Grease and flour a bundt pan and set aside. In a large mixing bowl, combine cake mix and instant pudding mix. Whisk to combine.

Add eggs, water, sour cream and oil. Whisk just until incorporated.

Using rubber spatula, fold in bananas just until combined; don't over-mix. Pour into prepared bundt pan, lightly shaking to even out the batter. Bake 35-45 minutes, watching for the top to be lightly golden and it to pass the toothpick test. Remove from oven and Cool completely in pan on rack. Once cool, use a knife to separate cake from pan. Invert and remove cake to a platter.

For the Frosting

Using a hand mixer and a big bowl, whip the cream cheese until soft. Add remaining ingredients and mix until smooth. Drizzle over cake.

Thought for the day:

My wallet is like an onion, every time I open it, it makes me cry.



Who Is It?



Last week's "Who Is It?" was Ruthie White. Jean Scobey correctly identified the picture.

Jean Scobey also knew Gracie Summers from a couple of weeks ago. Please call the Courier at 662-675-2446 before noon on Monday or call and leave a message or text 662-458-8939.

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