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Attendance November 24, 2013

Sunday School	73
Mission School	25
Shut Ins	23
TOTAL	138

Regular Offering	\$	4276.00
Sanmaritan's Purse		300.00
Total	\$	4576.00

15 Bibles were donated
in Memory of Ron Hardy

The Turkey Drive was a big success. Every class achieved their goal. In addition, a lot of people made donations of grocery products or volunteered to work in the Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who helped us make Thanksgiving special for our neighbors in need.

Samaritan's Purse
Total Contributions for 2013
\$945.00

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Bro. Ed's Epistle "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." I Thess. 5:13

The season of Thanksgiving has special significance for America since it is a national holiday. However, for as long as man has lived, we owe a debt of thanksgiving to our creator, redeemer, and friend. Paul said it beautifully in our text today. We can only be in the will of God when we are thankful. We have so much for which to be thankful. May we be faithful to express our thanks to God all the time, not just in this season of the year.

I am most thankful to God for allowing me to serve as your pastor. I look forward to worship and fellowship with you this week.

LLOYD'S – "It's the most Wonderful Time of the Year." That's the title of a secular song about Christmas. I've been singing it already. I love all secular songs and especially the great hymns that we sing at Christmas time. And speaking of December there are some great things going on so let me remind you of some of the dates.

December 8th – Pleasant Ridge Baptist will be joining in with us for the Evening Service. Their Seniors along with some of our Seniors will be presenting a Christmas Concert that will bless you. After the service we will have a fellowship in the "Fellowship Hall. So please plan to be here and invite others to come with you.

December 15th - Our Adult Choir will be presenting the Christmas Musical entitled "Bethlehem Morning" in the 11 AM service.

December 29th – we will observe the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper. What a wonderful way to close out the year of 2013.

Also be reminded of our emphasis of the Lottie Moon Christmas Mission Offering. Our goal this year is \$3,500.00. Let's reach and go over the goal. We can.

It has been a great year here on the Highlands. It's a blessing to be a part of this Fellowship of Believers. Remember to pray for your Church Staff and each other and remember "God loves you and so do I." SING-cerely, Bro. Lloyd

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT – "FALL" Year after year I have spent many hours and driven many miles just to admire the spectacular display of God's mixture of colors surrounding me. Especially beautiful, with a setting sun highlighting the panorama. I have seen many artists painting, even by the artist of light trying to capture the colors of a mountain side or a canyon at the peak of their fall colors. It never has and never will be done.

Because God has given me the privilege of being confined and able to look out my rehab window across a large cleared area to a patch of woods, I now have a new admiration for this time of the year. Never before having time to realize how God orchestrated all this beauty. Now I know I watched the trees closely day after day. Finally there appeared a yellow leaf followed by another and another, then an orange leaf, followed by the first red leaf and now the finished product.

Just another example how a loving God does things. Leaves changing one at a time according to His plan for Heaven. Thank you Father for opening my eyes. It all started with four little words, "In the beginning God . . ." I miss you and love you, Harry

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS ON THE HIGHLANDS

DECEMBER 8TH 6:00 PM (HERE)

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Seniors will join some of our Seniors and present a concert with selections from "Mary Did You Know."

A Fellowship has been planned for after the service in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to come and support our Seniors and bring your friends.

December 15th 11:00 AM

our Adult Choir will share the Christmas musical Bethlehem Morning.

DECEMBER 29th

our Church family will observe the ordinance of "The Lord's Supper"

Come and join us for all the activities as we celebrate Jesus.