

**Guidelines for Planning a Wedding  
Pleasant View General Baptist Church**

Here are a few simple policy statements and guidelines that will help you with the planning of your wedding at the Pleasant View General Baptist Church. It is to be understood that if you choose to have your wedding service at a place other than the church much of what is written below may not apply. In that case please consult with the pastor.

1. We believe the Bible to teach that marriage is the union of one man (biologically male at birth) and one woman (biologically female at birth). Weddings not meeting this criterion will not be allowed – there are no exceptions.
2. The officiating pastor shall be the pastor of this church or a pastor in good standing with their church and denomination.
3. It is highly recommended that all couples attend pre-marital counseling at the officiating pastor’s discretion.
4. Please request in writing the use of the church facilities to be handed in to the pastor or other church officer preferably at least three months in advance.
5. Any honorarium you may wish to give the musicians, soloists, officiating minister, etc. should be given to them personally.
6. Final permission for use of church facilities for wedding ceremonies shall be by consent of the church body in business session. Church business sessions are the first Sunday evening of each month. For this reason requests are not accepted after the first Sunday of the month in which the wedding is scheduled.
7. The churches policy is that a responsible designated person from the church shall be present at the wedding ceremony and reception if held at the church.
8. The wedding party is responsible to leave the church facility in the neat and orderly condition in which it was found. The movement of items within the church must first be approved, and if approved, they must be replaced to original place when wedding is over.
9. There are no restrictions on music. However, you are encouraged to use music that is in good taste and appropriate for a Christian wedding. The officiating pastor reserves the right to recommend that a particular piece of music not be used.
10. For the testimony of our Lord and the church, it is to be understood that there are to be no alcoholic beverages on the church premises. For others consideration and health, smoking is not permitted within the church building.
11. Rice and confetti are not allowed within the church building or upon the church premises.
12. The church is not responsible for items lost, stolen, or damaged. You are responsible for items damaged in the church, or on the church premises.
13. You are responsible to have your wedding license in hand prior to the wedding rehearsal.
14. Checks (one for building use and one for deposit) shall be payable to Pleasant View General Baptist Church. Fees are paid to the treasurer upon acceptance of the reservation according to the following **fee schedule**:

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Member/Regular Attendee*</b>	<b>Non-members</b>
<b>Non refundable building use fee</b>		\$100.00
<b>Refundable** fee deposit</b>	\$100.00	\$100.00

\*Regular attendance shall be considered on a case by case basis but generally it is expected that the individual will have been in attendance on a average of one service each month in at least each of the six previous months. Exceptions shall be made for college students and military personnel away from home.

\*\*Refundable only if all terms of this agreement are met and there is no damage to the property.

We have read the Wedding Policy/Guidelines for premarital biblical counseling, definition of marriage, and church use, and we are in agreement with them. We agree to pay the appropriate fees upon acceptance of our reservation:

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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