## Robbie Alexander Deacon Nominee Information



My wife Christie, our 4-year-old daughter Reagan, and I moved from Kannapolis, NC to Shelby in April of 2022 as coordinators of the Shelby Mission Camp. After visiting several area churches, we made the decision to join Pleasant City in July of that year.

I grew up going to Church as a kid, but the gospel as I understood it was a works based scenario where if you do good things, and avoid bad things, God will reward you with a spot in heaven. This was a false gospel that for me had no roots, so what followed was a stretch of college and military years that brought me to a place where I had totally walked away from the Church, and from the Christian faith. At age 24 I began visiting a church in my hometown and got involved with their missions team. In January of 2012 while on a trip with that team to eastern NC, the final pieces of the gospel fell into place for me, and for the first time in my life I repented of my sins, turned to faith in Jesus, and was justified and raised to a new life in him. This totally changed the trajectory of my life, and I have been walking faithfully with the Lord ever since. Sanctification has been a process for sure, and I am far from perfect, but I am fully persuaded that I have been redeemed by the shed blood of Jesus. My righteousness was purchased on the cross, is sustained in Christ, and I will spend eternity with him.

Over the last 12 years I have grown to not only love God deeply, but also to love his Church. My Christian walk so far has been anything but a solo act. My desire is that I would become the type of man, husband, father, friend, leader, etc. that will bring glory to God, and solid discipleship through the local church has been a key part of that. I have been encouraged for the last 2 1/2 years as we have become involved in life here at Pleasant City Church. Our church has been blessed with pastors, deacons, leaders, and laity that serve well together and really embody the idea that "Jesus is our Lead Story". I have had the pleasure of serving with many different individuals and groups from our church at the Mission Camp, and I am excited to see what God has in store for our church as we continue to be obedient to His call.

Prior to Pleasant City Church, My family and I were members at Glorieta Baptist Church in Concord, NC. I served there as a worship leader, a deacon, a small group leader, as a teacher both preaching from the pulpit and leading various bible studies, and as a leader for mission teams. We moved to Shelby to take a position at the Shelby Mission Camp as a Camp Coordinators. As a family, we serve at the Camp full time leading both local churches, and out of town mission teams doing outreach ministry in the Cleveland county area. I am currently a student at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary where I am pursuing an MDiv with a concentration in Great Commission Studies. We are involved in two different Connect Groups at Pleasant City, and help co-lead the Absolutely Blessed group on Sunday Mornings. I would be humbled and honored to serve Pleasant City Church as a Deacon!