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Alumni Project

P.O. Box 322 Jenison, MI 49429-0322

REUNION DATE: Saturday, September 18, 2021

Committee replacements are necessary for reunions to continue. Also funds are needed to continue getting out the newsletters. If God has blessed you, please consider a gift to the Alumni Project at the above address.

Dues are \$10 per person annually.

ALUMNI NEWS

Bill & Naomi Hoeflinger ('53) write that Naomi still plays piano at Constantine Bible Baptist Church and they have been blessed with 67 years of marriage and ministry. (See Absent from the Body. . .)

Bob Elwell ('63) writes that their once a week nursing home ministry was shut down because of Covid, but are doing well and attending services at Cedar Creek Bible Church.

David Boshka ('70) writes that he "remembers the good old GRIS days and Mr. Miles and Ken Hasper and the good Bible teaching."

Thomas Sluys ('70) "Though I was a student at GRSBM for only one year, it was great to solidify my understanding of our faith in that time. It will be great to see everyone when our Lord brings us all home."

Linda (Terlaan) Lindzy ('71) has retired from Goshen Community Schools in 2016—worked with kids. . .with emotional issues—30 years. Married for 46 years and has two beautiful daughters.

John Huseby ('57) has finished a commentary: "Hebrews: The Eternal Song of Redemption" available at Westbow.com /bookstore or Amazon.com.

Karen Rilea Freitas ('63) has completed a book: "Our Journey from Brokenness to Blessing" available at the banquet. Bernard ('64) & Margaret ('63) Loew write that Bernard has been pastoring Sidney Christian Church in Sidney, MI, since Nov 1977. "Many times we have thanked the Lord for our years at GRSBM. At our ages, we are well and. . enjoying life."

Absent from the body, present with the Lord

Charles Taylor ('77) 3/19; Eugene Slagstad ('73) 10/4/20; Fred Clark ('64) 12/28/20; Russ Lotter ('72) 1/4/21; Lydia (Morgan) Weiberg ('62) 1/15/21; Don Chrysler ('52) 1/25/21; Jann VanderMey 2/10/21; Bill Hoeflinger ('53) 2/28/2021; Don Brown ('71) 3/4/21; Richard Ibarra('75) 3/25/21; Kathy (Geiszler) Cornell ('73) 3/28/21; Bill Dondit ('59) 4/12/21; Tim Quiggle ('79) 4/25/21; Judy (Shirey) Wunderlin Cullen ('74) 4/24/21; Bonnie Bracy-Turley ('70) 5/11/21; Ken McGee ('58) 5/17/21; Eleanor (Knop) LaVean ('57) 5/26/21.

The Alumni Committee is planning an Alumni Banquet scheduled for September 18, 2021. We know there are uncertainties in our world today, but who should be more positive than God's children. We have a hope of eternal life but we also have each other to help encourage us through difficult days. We know that many have been in lockdown and are desirous of some good fellowship so we are forging ahead with plans to meet. The plan as of this moment is to keep the program as we first intended, with several of your fellow alumni speaking to us words of encouragement from their area of ministry. We anticipate lots of good fellowship and a banquet catered by a new caterer at a different venue.

The scholarship fund is money given to assist those who would like to come to the banquet but don't have the resources. If that includes you, please let the alumni committee know at the above address. We would be delighted to

help in any way we can to get you to the banquet! Perhaps you are someone who could help by underwriting the banquet—we'd like to hear from you as well.

****REUNION 2021 ****

GRSBM GATHERING 2021 SAVE THE DATE *** SATURDAY, <u>SEPT 18, 2021</u> *****A ONE DAY EVENT!*****

Fellowship, Banquet and Singing!

<u>Things are changing!</u> If you have enjoyed the reunions, please get involved with the planning. If replacements are not forth-coming, this <u>MAY</u> be the last reunion planned by this committee.

Perhaps the future reunions will be individually initiated and/or regionally executed.

We would love your thoughts on the subject.

****PLACE:***

****BYRON CENTER BIBLE CHURCH****

8855 Byron Center Ave SW, Byron Center, MI 49315 (<u>back entrance</u>=no steps) **PROGRAM:** (All events are subject to change.)

Individual Registration: Required by 9/4/21.

Register at the registration table upon your arrival at the back entrance.

2pm: Karen Rilea Freitas speaking: Men's singing group; Fellowship	
3pm: <i>Chuck Anderson</i> speaking; Men	's singing group; Fellowship
4pm: <i>Kirby Huseby</i> speaking; Singspiration with <i>Chuck Warren</i> (bring your voice and join in singing GRS songs); Men's singing group; Fellowship	
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cut & send cut & send Enclosed please find my payment for the 2021 GRSBM REUNION BANQUET, SATURDAY, SEPT 18, 2021! Registration due by SEPTEMBER 4, 2021 We have a new caterer this year and they require reservations to be in 9/4/21!	
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