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A Visit With Dr. John



I recently reached the 20 year milestone as Director of Missions for Coffee County Baptist Association. The people of the churches helped me celebrate that anniversary by writing notes and cards that were put in a scrapbook. They also presented me with a nice plaque and a check. We could not do a big gathering because of the pandemic.

I want to thank everyone who had a part in doing anything at all for me at this time. I truly am grateful for the fact that many people feel that I have been able to help them, their church, the community, or the association. As they say, it's nice to be appreciated.

In particular, let me thank the Personnel Committee, composed of Rev. Donnie Marler, Mrs. Kay Roper, Mrs. Sylvia Hughes, Mr. Jerry Jones, and Dr. Sam Self, Chair. Thanks also to our Moderator, Rev. Bryan Simoneaux. It was a very thoughtful gesture.

Coffee Baptist Association and Coffee County have been very good to me. I recognize how blessed I am to have such wonderful friends, great coworkers, and meaningful work.

Thanks again, for all the kind words and notes of love and appreciation. Thank you for the thoughtful and meaningful gifts.

Your partner in Christ's work,
 Merry Christmas!
 Dr. John



Judson College has been a valued education partner with Alabama Baptists since 1838. Dr. Mark Tew became president there about a year and a half ago, knowing that the school faced many challenges.

One of the hurricanes did a lot of damage there. Now, the Coronavirus has diminished on campus enrollment and revenue that would come from that. They will not have funds to pay their staff and other obligations without money from other sources than normal. Dr. Joan Newman and the Board of Trustees have issued a call requesting friends of the school to give to this cause.

Let me urge you, as individuals or as a congregation, to consider giving something to help this revered and worthy institution overcome this problem. You can give through the link that will be in the Alabama Baptist or you can forward money through our office.

Calendar of Events

December

24 - Christmas Eve - office closed

25 - Christmas Day - office closed

January

7 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 AM

12 - Executive Committee Meeting - 7 PM



Our churches collected a total of 1,136 "Coffee Cakes" for the Alabama Baptist Children's Homes. We would like to thank everyone who helped make this our largest year! This ministry is and has been a blessing to the Children's Homes and many foster families in Alabama for 94 years.



Request for Church History

A lot of years have passed since we all submitted information about our Church History. We did that for years 1998 thru 2002. We are past due in gathering the events that took place in Coffee Baptist Association for years 2003 thru 2020. Our target date for submitting this information is Jan 2021. If you should need help, try to find your church copy of the Association's History of Churches 1998 -2003. This will give some ideas what to write about. We have these books available for free at our office. We also have 1981-1998 history books available. You also can call the Association Office or Louie Reynolds at 334-406-3095 for help in getting started. Bro. Louie Reynolds, Chair, History Committee