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A Visit With Dr. John

One of our committees had a meeting and afterwards was discussing what some of our churches would look like in 10 or 15 years. That is a discussion that some of us ought to have. We need to recognize that there are a lot of forces working against church growth and prosperity. However, the greatest force in the world is working or us and with us. I believe the Lord will bless a faithful pastor and congregation. I believe there are great times

ahead, in the midst of the challenges. It is easy to get discouraged when attendance may dip or someone may leave, etc. If we are committed to the Lord and to the work of the ministry, we should not let discouraging times disillusion us. The greatest work in the world is locking arms with Christ and his church in fulfillment of The Great Commission and loving people in the name of Christ. So, let us do what we can as we relate to those in our sphere of influence, Helping them along the way, and honoring God in the process!

The Association will offer a seminar about learning to be a better deacon January 28, 2022 at 6:00 – 7:30 PM. If you are a deacon, let me encourage you to be a part of this time of training and inspiration.

The senior adults will meet at 11:00 AM January 25 at Mclin's Restaurant. I look forward to seeing some of you there.

The widows meeting is 6:30 on February 7. Melonee and crew will have some enjoyable things to do. Bill and Linda Nichols will have a program about Camelias.

The inter-Baptist meeting will take place February 9, 11:30 AM at the office. We hope to have people from various races and ethnic groups to share a meal and friendship.

Rev. Jim Duhaime will lead a marriage retreat at the Vineyard March 11 - 12. It will begin at 6:30 Friday night with a terrific meal and conclude at 11 o'clock Saturday morning. The cost for this retreat is \$75 per couple. The association is underwriting part of the cost. Bro Jim is a well-known and respected counselor. The emphasis is to make good marriages better. You should make reservations as quickly as possible by calling the Association office.

Dr. David Allen, preaching professor at Southwestern seminary, will lead a Pastor's Study Saturday, March 5, 9- 12 at Ino church.

Scott Dawson will hold evangelistic services at the farm center March 16-17. The Evangelism Committee would encourage every church to participate. The 16th is a Wednesday night. we believe that it will be worth the effort to participate in a joint evangelistic crusade. We anticipate lots of youth being there, but the event is for everyone. Please be praying about this even now.

These are some exciting times. There are so many possibilities of reaching people for Christ. Please be a part of our cooperative endeavors.

Senior Adult Luncheon

January 25, 2022 11:00 AM

McLin's Restaurant

The Baptist Faith and Message

Samford Extension January 24-March 13, 2022 Mondays at 6:00 PM

Please help promote the **Military Support Group.**

January 18, 2022 7:00 PM at COBWC

Heroes' Banquet

March 15 at 6:30 PM Location TBD

Dr. David Allen Ino Baptist Church March 5 9:00 AM - Noon

InterBaptist Luncheon

February 9, 2022 at 11:30 AM Coffee Baptist Association

Scholarships

The Baptist Foundation of Alabama Applications due March 31, 2022.

Applications must be completed online at tbfa.org/scholarships.

Bernard/Lee Scholarship applications can be picked up at our office. Applications are due March 7, 2022.

Counseling Change

Beginning with the new year, the counseling CCBA has offered in conjunction with the Alabama Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries will change. We have had a counselor in our office on Thursdays for the last 21 years. During the Covid pandemic, Children's Homes counselors met with people via phones and computers. Our county did a greater percentage of these counseling sessions through technology. So, you still can have access to a counselor. Now, you will be able to meet with her by remaining at home. Call our office for a number to get in touch and make an appointment. If someone needs a face-to-face meeting, she will meet with you at her office in Dothan.

Calendar of Events

January

- 25 Senior Adult Luncheon 11:00 AM
- 27 Ministers' Meeting 11:00 AM
- 28 Deacon Training 6:00 -7:30 PM

February

- 3 Vineyard Work Day 8:00 AM
- 3 Vineyard Meeting 3:00 PM
- 7 Widows' Ministry Meeting 6:00 PM
- 9 InterBaptist Luncheon 11:30 AM
- 20 World Hunger Sunday
- 21 State VBS Training
- 24 Minister's Meeting 11:00 AM

Encounter Evangelism Event

March 16-17, 2022 6:30 PM

Coffee County Farm Center Speaker: Scott Dawson

Ministers' Meeting

January 27 at 11:00 AM Coffee Baptist Association

ALSBOM Evangelist

Marriage Enrichment Retreat For couples in your church

Vineyard Christian Retreat Center March 11-12, 2022 Friday 6:30PM -Saturday 11:00 AM Cost \$75 Couple

Rev. Jim Duhaime will be leading.

Disaster Relief Chainsaw Training

February 11-12, 2022

Training will be at the Vineyard Christian Retreat Center.

Plan to be part of Deacon Learning Seminar

Friday January 28 6:00 PM—7:30 PM Church on Boll Weevil Circle Join us in person or on Facebook Live.

Widows' Ministry Meeting

February 7 at 6:00 PM Coffee Baptist Association

Gracefully Yours Women's Conference

Ino Baptist Church Saturday January 29, 2022 4:00 PM

Deadline to register is January 18th. Contact Ino Baptist for information.