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A Visit With Dr. John



At the March Executive Committee Meeting, a motion was approved from the Personnel Committee to recognize my 30 years in Coffee Baptist Association. The Personnel Committee felt that recognizing the Association Missionary also would help people know what the association does.

I offered some pushback to some things proposed. I said it was doing too much.

However, it would be very callous and small of me not to recognize the great gift these people are doing for me. I'm sure not everyone would have the same sentiment they do. But I recognize that this is a real effort on the part of people who care about me to express love and offer encouragement.

It is very likely that there are people in this association who have served longer and perhaps more faithfully than I. It is not unheard of for faithful servants of God never to be recognized or honored. I know some serving now and have friends who already have gone to be with the Lord who fit that description.

So, I am aware that this recognition may say more about the people on the Personnel Committee and Executive Committee than about me. It says that they care about the personnel to whom they relate. It says they are quick to give honor and express encouragement. It says they want to give an example of how churches should relate to their leaders.

For all of this, I am thankful. I have said all along, and still say, that I am the one most blessed for being able to serve God alongside the people in our churches right here in Coffee County. Please know that I am thankful for this privilege and for this astounding recognition. I truly appreciate it.

I had to leave my home of 19 years in 1966 to serve Uncle Sam. Then, I was in four different cities for school. Then I was in the Mobile area as pastor and college teacher for 17 years. I always wanted to go home until I got here. Now I feel that I am home. I secured burial plots here years ago. Thank you for making this feel like home to me.

We will host a
reception for Dr. John
May 29 at 2:00 pm and
name the New Brockton
Conference Center
 building in his honor. We
 invite you to come.
 Personnel Committee

Call our office with your church
Vacation Bible School dates!

Oneida Mission
Trip Meeting

If you are interested in going on the mission trip to Oneida, you must attend a meeting May 22 at 4:00pm at Goodman Baptist Church. You must be 18 years old to go on the trip. Please call Bruce Williams at 334-389-3621 for more info.

Please pray for the
Military Support Group.
 Tuesdays at 7:00 PM
 Church on Boll Weevil Circle

Mission Trip Opportunities

Southwest Alabama Mission Trip - June 19-24
Oneida Mission Trip - July 31 - August 5
Belize Mission Trip - July 18-25
Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic - July 11-18
 Call our office at 334-894-6411 for more info.

Personnel Committee Request

On March 8, the Executive Committee approved a motion from the Personnel Committee to recognize Dr. Granger's service in Coffee County for 30 years. He has been DOM for 22, but served the association in various functions the rest of the time. He was moderator the first year he was here. We felt that this would also be a good opportunity to talk about the work of Coffee Baptist Association.

We are doing a few things, but you can help. Dr. Granger usually does a "morning moment" on a few radio stations. We will be using this time during the month of May for pastors and church members to record a one minute spot talking about either your friendship with Dr. Granger or a highlight of something you did together in the work of the Lord and the association. If we cannot put them all in May, we will put them on CCBA Facebook page or publish in other ways.

Emily can set you up with a time and record your message. Just call her at 894 - 6411.

Another thing we are doing is having people record video clips or text personal messages on their phones. We ask that these may be put on the association's Facebook page. Of course, you may share them as you please.

Representing the Personnel Committee,
 Dr. Sam Self, Chair

Calendar of Events

May
 13-14 - GA Camp at the Vineyard
 14 - Association Work Day - 8:00 AM-Noon
 26 - Ministers' Meeting - 11:00 AM
 29 - Building Naming
 30 - Memorial Day - Office Closed

June
 2 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 am
 2 - Vineyard Meeting - 3:00 pm
 19-24 - Southwest Alabama Mission Trip

Ministers' Meeting

May 26 at 11:00 AM
 Christian Mission Tour

Lunch will be provided. Call our office at
 334-894-6411 if you plan to attend.

IncrediCamp 2022

July 18-20
 Vineyard Christian Retreat

For children who have finished 1st-6th grade

Register by May 31 cost is \$120
 After May 31 cost is \$130.

Call our office for more information.

Baptist Men's
Association Work Day

May 14, 2022 8:00 AM - Noon


Come join us as we spruce up
 the association office.

Contact John Logsdon at 334-806-2636
 for more information.

GA Camp

At the Vineyard
 May 13-14

Contact Debra Carnley at 334-565-3970
 for more info.



Widows' Ministry Meeting

June 13 at 6:00 PM
 Coffee Baptist Association
 Special Guest: Penny Turner

Dominican Republic Mission Trip!

We are planning on the dates of Monday to Monday July 11-18th for the next mission trip to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. We will be doing: Vacation Bible School, English classes, evangelistic home visits, youth activities, sports, and music classes

Let me know if you are interested. I will be sending out updates by email so make sure I have your email address. John Gunter
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