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Hispanic Missionary

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A Visit With Dr. John



I visited a church Sunday that made my heart glad. Around the time Covid hit, they were having as few as six and hardly ever over 10. They actually picked up a few during those days.

The few who were there had good fellowship. They had the incentive to reach out.

When a church is that low, it is very hard to bring others in. They just kept plugging along, adding one here and there.

Several months ago, they called a pastor who wanted to help them grow. Yesterday, 41 people were present for worship. Five of them were baptized! What a great thing it is to hear of a success like that!

We live in a time when many churches are just existing and some closing. It is a great example to us all to see a church reaching people for Christ and for the fellowship of the church.

A church doesn't have to be large to take part in the Great Commission. Neither must it have great numbers to have warm and vibrant fellowship. It does take "getting on board" with Christ. It does take expecting him to meet with us when we worship.

Like just about every other association, we have churches that are barely holding on. Let us remember to pray for them. We also can rejoice with a church that makes such an obvious turn around.

At the May 10 meeting, the Executive Committee voted on a request from the Vineyard Committee. They unanimously accepted the proposal that we buy the property between the Vineyard and the highway that belongs to Mrs. Dot Martin for the purchase price of \$160,000.

The long-range plans of the Vineyard Committee has embraced this idea for many years. They feel this will help in several ways, one of which is building a small RV park for Campers on Mission and others who would want to use the facility. Campers On Mission volunteer a tremendous amount of work every year. They indicate that some may want to be there pretty much year around if such a facility were

They also request that we ask churches to pitch in and help pay for this addition to the Vineyard ministry. So, will you present this request to your church? If you would like Steve or someone else to come speak about it, simply call our office. Thank you.

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

Widows' Ministry Meeting

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

Please pray for the Military Support Group.

Tuesdays at 7:00 PM Church on Boll Weevil Circle

Southwest Alabama Mission Trip June 19-24

This is a great opportunity to do mission work in our own state. A time for getting to know other people in our churches throughout the area. This trip is for youth and adults.

Call our office at 894-6411 for more information.

We need to know now if you plan to go.

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

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 de doing: Vacation Bible School, English classes, evangelistic home visits, youth activities, sports, and music classes Contact John Gunter jcgunter82@gmail.com

Calendar of Events

May

26 - Ministers' Meeting - 11:00 AM

29 - Building Naming and Reception - 2:00 PM

30 - Memorial Day - Office Closed

<u>June</u>

2 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 am

2 - Vineyard Meeting - 3:00 pm

13 - Widows' Ministry Meeting - 6:00 pm

19-24 - Southwest Alabama Mission Trip

23 - Ministers' Meeting - 11:00 am

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.

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God Keeps His Promises

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.

Registration forms are available at vineyardretreat.org

Call our office for more information.

VBS Dates

Basin Baptist Church - June 12-16 Bethany Baptist Church - July 17-21 Calvary Baptist Church - June 5-9 **Church on Boll Weevil Circle** - June 12-15 County Line Baptist Church - June 11 Damascus Baptist Church - June 5-8 First Baptist Elba - June 26-29 First Baptist Enterprise - June 6-8 **Grace Place Church** - July 10-14 **Goodman Baptist Church** - June 26-30 **Hebron Baptist Church** - June 24-26 Hillcrest Baptist Church - June 13-17 **Ino Baptist Church - June 5-9** Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church - June 10-12 New Home Baptist Church - June 12-17 **Zion Chapel Baptist Church** - June 5-9

Call our office with your VBS dates!

Yo Ho Holy! A Pirate's Guide to Jesus!

One-Day Vacation Bible School County Line Baptist Church

Saturday, June 11, 12:30-5:30 pm Ages 4 through completed 6th grade For more information call 334-347-6082.