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THE GRAPES

Greetings from your Vineyard,

Happy October! I tell folks that October is the 31 reasons for living in Southeast Alabama. Isn't Fall a great time of year? I mean, it is just wonderful to see everything suddenly pumpkin pie spiced. It's so nice to sit outside and watch the leaves fall without sweating like you're in a sauna. But beyond the physical, isn't it great to see God doing in the outside world what he is doing in our hearts? I love the way God lets all the old man "fall" off and preps us for the "new" man. The shedding of the past is sometimes hard, but what a glorious future awaits if you will let God have his work in your life. Just let the old fall away like the leaves outside and be renewed in your mind. God has a wonderful Autumn work to do in our lives. Sometimes change is good. God's changes are always for our good.

In my last newsletter, I talked a bit about how Mrs. Dot Martin's property is now part of the Vineyard. This property is the 10 acres of land, a house, and a pond due west of the main Vineyard campus. I mentioned that we will now begin to work on a plan to develop this new addition into useable ministry. I asked for prayer that the Lord would guide our thoughts. I also mentioned the financial need to help pay for this purchase.

I am very excited to report that there have been donations given toward the land purchase. We have had several individuals and churches who have helped by responding with monetary offerings. There has even been an online cake auction. Who would have ever thought of such a thing? Sharon Smith from New Hope, that's who. She apparently decided she was going to do something to help raise money, and she did. How one would go about an online cake auction, I don't know, but she did it very successfully. There was \$2,280 worth of cakes auctioned. Now that's a sweet deal – eat cake and help purchase land. I saw some of the cake pictures. There were some mighty beautiful edible works of art for sale! Thanks, Sharon, for such a great idea and for organizing it. Thanks to all who spent time and resources making the cakes. And thanks to all of you who bought and ate! What a wonderful way to raise money. I'm thinking that if I ever run for office I will get Sharon to be my campaign manager!

Thanks to the churches and individuals who have already given toward the additional land. I appreciate your partnership in this ministry. Let me remind you that it is worth it. The 2021-2022 fiscal year ended just a few days ago. We are aware of 103 guests who prayed to receive salvation here this past year. Praise God for His bountiful harvest, and thank you for being willing workers in the field.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Steve

2022-2023 WMU Events

World Day of Prayer - November 7
OCC Collection Week - November 14-21
Coffee Cakes - December 5
WMU Banquet - April 13, 2023
GA Camp - May 12-13, 2023

CCBA Annual Meeting

October 13 at 6:30 PM
Woodland Grove
Baptist Church

Calendar of Events

October

13 - Annual Meeting - 6:30 PM
25 - Senior Adult Luncheon at Bethany - 1:00 AM

November

3 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 AM
7 - World Day of Prayer

**Ministers' Meetings
have been cancelled until
further notice.**

Senior Adult Luncheon

October 25 at 11:00 AM
Bethany Baptist Church
Call our office to RSVP
by October 18

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December 28-29

A call for students to come together
and serve the "334"

For youth grades 7-12

For more information contact
servthe334@gmail.com

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Homecoming Eanon Baptist Church

3609 County Road 148, New Brockton, AL 36351

October 16 at 10:30 AM

Music: Derek Snellgrove

Meal following service

Please pray for the
Military Support Group.

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
at Church on Boll Weevil Circle

Call Dr. John Granger if you are in need.

Goodman Baptist Church
is in search of a
Bi-Vocational Youth Minister.

Contact Bro. Bruce Williams
at 334-389-3621 for more info.