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# THE GRAPEVINE

Greetings from your Vineyard,

Wow, what a start to a new fiscal year -20 days into the "new" year, and we know of 34 salvations and 38 rededications at your Vineyard. Praise God for reminding us that He isn't finished yet. I pray for every group that comes to be drawn closer to Him and that all lost would be saved before departing here. Please join me in that prayer. Pray every week for the groups coming that week. Pray that the Holy Spirit's presence will be felt from the moment groups arrive until they depart. I don't like the thought of someone who came here for a retreat or camp ultimately ending up in Hell. I would much rather everyone who comes here to leave born again and Heaven bound!

October is usually a good month for a spiritual harvest since we have lots of groups in October. There have been past years when I have seen more guests in October than in June or July. So, in many ways, October is harvest time at your Vineyard. It certainly seems that way this year anyway.

It is at this time of year that the leaves start to change all over the Vineyard. Fall seems to really bring out the beauty of nature. If you haven't seen beautiful nature in a while, just jump in your vehicle one day and drive out to the Vineyard and spend some time enjoying God's artwork. He is a superb artist! It might remind you that God is in control.

Just a week ago, I delivered my 20<sup>th</sup> annual report to the messengers at the annual meeting. Among the highlights of my report were the 103 known salvations for the fiscal year we just completed, the acquisition of 10 additional acres of land, and a fiscal year that ended \$5,100 in the black. What blessings the Lord has bestowed upon us. I am delighted that my 20<sup>th</sup> report was so positive. Let me say thank you for allowing me to serve in your Vineyard these past 20 years. My children have all grown up here, Denice and I have gone from being a "young" couple to whatever we are now, and we have seen so many come to the Lord over those years. I have gotten to watch the Lord grow this ministry in so many ways. I have gotten to know so many fine people along the way, many of whom have already gone on to be with the Lord. I have become friends with some of the finest people in the world here at the Vineyard. Thank you for allowing me to work in this ministry. Though so much has been accomplished, let us all remember that there is still much more to do. The Lord is not finished with us yet.

Praise God for His bountiful harvest, and thank you for being willing workers in the field.

> Soli Deo Gloria, Steve

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

### **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

## **Samford Extension Pastoral Ministry in the Church**

October 24 at 6:00 PM

Coffee Baptist Association

## Minister/Staff/Spouse Banquet

December 1, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Coffee Baptist Association Conference Center

## Calendar of Events

#### November

3 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 AM

7 - World Day of Prayer

14-21 - OCC Collection Week at Ino Baptist Church

24 - Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed

#### **December**

1 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 AM

- 1 Minister/Staff/Spouse Banquet 6:30 PM
- 5 Coffee Cakes 8:00-11:00 AM
- 5 Widows' Ministry Meeting 6:00 PM 26 Office Closed

28-29 - Serv334



## **Coffee Cakes** for Alabama Baptist **Children's Homes**

December 5, 2022 8:00 - 11:00 AM

Baked goods and boxed mixes/icing will be accepted.



## 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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## **Coffee County Camelia Society**

First meeting will be November 8, 2022 at 3:30 PM. The meeting will be held at First Baptist Church, New Brockton. Yearly dues will be \$10.

For more info contact Dr. John Granger at 334-447-2252.

## 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.