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A Visit With Dr. John

Since April 6, the doctors have told us that my eighth grandchild probably would not live long after birth. This news was so hard to take. We were shocked, hurt, and grieved.

Shortly after receiving this information, I wrote something of what the doctors had said and asked Kaye to pass it along to all our pastors. I wanted our churches to know because I believe our heavenly Father responds to the prayers of His people. I believe God does miracles because His people ask. And even if God did not see fit to favor our request for a miracle, I believed that the prayers of God's people for John, Lori, Bryant, Macie, and the rest of our family, would give strength and comfort.

Lori was due August 19, but because of complications, they had to take the baby by C-section on July 15. Macie was born about 12:30 and passed away in less than two hours.

Their doctor had suggested to them that they likely would want to spend the time alone with the baby. All the family was content just to stay close by in the waiting room. In less than an hour after Macie was born, Lori and John invited all the family, and the few friends who were there, to come in and hold the baby. As you might guess, we were more than happy to do that. We feel blessed that we were able to spend just a little time with Macie.

One of my greatest concerns during this period of time was how John and Lori would be affected. There were some times during the last 3 1/2 months when that concern was justified. You could see the anguish and grief in their faces and hear it in their voices. Of course, the same applied to me and the rest of the family. The day of the birth, they had amazing peace and strength. I believe that strength was from above, and I believe that, in large part, it was a direct result of the prayers of so many people in our behalf.

I want you to know that I, we, are thankful for the ways you have supported us during these days. Almost every place I would go, people would tell me they loved us and were praying for us. We are thankful for the all the hugs, handshakes, kind words, and other expressions of love and sympathy.

The men of the church on Boll Weevil Circle ask if they could do a Boston butt sale for John and Lori. I told him that I thought John and Lori would be able to handle the expenses and if not the rest of the family would make sure that they could. They said, this is not about money it's about a way to show our love. So, the church voted to do that. Let me say, that it is true, a person can feel loved because others care enough to do things for them.

These days have been hard, but in the midst of the heartache and sorrow, we have felt loved. We thank God for his sustaining grace and comfort. We thank you for every thing you have said and done in our behalf.



Calendar of Events

July
 28 - Ministers' Meeting at CCBA—10 a.m.
 31 - Read *The Alabama Baptist* Sunday
August
 04 - Vineyard Workday/ - 8 a.m./ Meeting - 3 pm
 07 - Social Issues Sunday
 25 - Ministers' Meeting - 10 a.m. at CCBA
 27 - School Prayer Walk

July Ministers' Mtg.
July 28 at Coffee Baptist Center
Time : 10 a.m.
Lee Wright from SBOM will be speaking on
Pastor Financial Help



Sympathy is extended to John and Lori Granger and their family due to the passing of their infant daughter Macie.



The Children's Camp at The Vineyard was great! Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make it happen. Especially our Children's Committee. They are: Tim Bradley, (Chair), Denice Tipton, Vicky & Lester Rachel, and Annette Whitton.



Special people do special things. These men are indeed special! Several people have helped with repairs on Eanon Church and The Jackie Bundy Home in the Eanon Community. These shown were available for a picture. Thanks so much to Jim Stokes, Dean Craig (DR Director), Sam Curtis, Ray Helms, and Randolph Hudson. Thanks to all who help.

YOUR church has a great opportunity to get training from the some of the best teachers in our state convention. The Sunday School and Discipleship Training for all our churches will be.....
August 30, 2016
Ino Baptist Church
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Please make plans now to attend. Pastors have your people ready.

PRAYERWALK
SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2016
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

ALL CITY AND COFFEE COUNTY SCHOOLS

(ELBA, ENTERPRISE, KINSTON, NEW BROCKTON, ZION CHAPEL, AND ESCC)



WON'T YOU PLEASE COMMIT TO COME AND PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS, TEACHERS AND CHILDREN BY MEETING WITH US AT THE SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE?

Sponsored by Coffee County Baptist Women on Mission
WE WELCOME OTHER DENOMINATIONS TO COME AND PRAY WITH US!

Our focus will be to pray for God to intercede and protect our children, teachers, and school officials from harm and that they will have God's wisdom as they face each day. Imagine the magnificent power of God released as we prayer walk on the campuses of City and Coffee County schools...our God is able to do immeasurably more than we ask or imagine... " Ephesians 3:20

Shiloh Baptist Church

218 Co. Rd. 407
 Elba, AL

Will host the following services:

HOMECOMING

August 7, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Former pastor, **Larry Wise**, preaching
Walter Wilson will sing.

Lunch to follow morning worship

Gospel meetings at 7:00 p.m. on

August 01- Donnie Marler preaching

Zion Chapel FFA Quartet singing

August 08 - Tony Dye preaching

Bethany Praise Team singing

August 22 - Sam Self preaching

Basin Four singing

August 29 - Derek Snellgrove will be preaching and singing.