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**April 25, 2019**

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 Vineyard Manager



*A Visit With Dr. John*

May 5 is Senior Adult Sunday. It is a good time to recognize a strong group of people in most churches.

When I first became a pastor, I actually was surprised to find that Senior Adults were so active and such a strong part of the work of the church. They were essential in the first church I pastored. In every church I have served, seniors have enabled the work to progress.

I have known a very few pastors over the years who have tried to distance themselves from Senior Adults. I knew one pastor who tried to exclude them and push them out! Talk about bad strategy!

From a pastoral standpoint, this group is just one more group for which this pastor has responsibility. They are his charge. He is responsible to teach them, to encourage them, and to exhort them. He is to befriend them and offer them every church privilege. He is to challenge them to follow Christ more closely. You can't do that without accepting them and loving them!

Practically, seniors can help the pastor's work and the work of the church to succeed. The "Widow's Mite" has great reach into the church's financial needs. Also, they have a lot of free time to do all sorts of ministry and outreach activities.

I was saved and called to preach when I was 19. Now, I am well into my senior years. I cannot do things I could do when I was 20 or 30 or 40. But in many ways, all sorts of ministry doors are open because of my age and degree of health. Most seniors probably feel the same way.

Let me encourage you to give special respect to your Senior Adults. Recognize them and their contributions to the kingdom of God, and to your church, in particular. Honor them for who they are and what they do.

*Calendar of Events*

**April**

25 - Ministers' Meeting - 10:00 a.m.  
 25 - Pastor/Spouse Date Night - 6:30 p.m.  
 26-27 - Boys Campout at Vineyard

**May**

2 - National Day of Prayer  
 14 - Executive Committee Meeting - 7 pm  
 14 - Men's Ministry Meeting - 7:00 p.m.  
 17-19 - GA Camp at the Vineyard  
 23 - Ministers' Meeting - 10:00 a.m.  
 27 - Memorial Day - Office closed

**June**

3 - Widows' Ministry Meeting - 6:30 p.m.  
 6 - Vineyard Work Day - 8:00 a.m.  
 6 - Vineyard Meeting - 3:00 p.m.  
 8 - Singles Gathering - 4:00 p.m.  
 11 - Men's Ministry Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

**CCBA Ministers' Meeting**

April 25, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Coffee Baptist Center

Top 10 Leadership Challenges  
 for Busy Pastors

Bro. Mike Jackson - ALSBOM

**Southwest Alabama Mission Trip**

June 23 - 28, 2019

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.

Call our office at 894-6411 for more information.

**We need to know now if you plan to go.**



A group of children and adults having fun at Chickasaw Day Camp.



**Boys Campout**

at The Vineyard

April 26 - 27, 2019

Boys in 1st - 6th grade

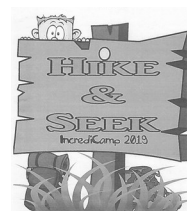
Activities will include: blow darts, air rifles, sling shots, archery, knife throwing, worship around a campfire.

**GA Camp**

The Vineyard

May 17 - 18, 2019

Contact Debra Carnley at 565-3970 for more information.



**Incredicamp 2019**

"Hike and Seek"  
 July 08-10, 2019

Vineyard Christian  
 Retreat Center

\$110 per child if registered by  
 May 31. \$120 after May 31, 2019.

Find us on Facebook at:  
 Incredicamp@Vineyard Christian Retreat  
 Registration forms can be found at  
 www.vineyardretreat.org  
 Contact: Bro. Lester Rachel at 447-2303.



**National Day of Prayer  
 May 2, 2019**

Check with your city for information about meetings.

**Coffee County Community Church  
 Mobile Food Pantry**

April 30, 2019  
 6:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

A few of our churches have partnered with other churches in the area to provide this ministry through the Wiregrass Food Bank.

Contact Leda Green at the New Brockton Senior Citizen Center for more information.

Bethany Baptist Church, New Brockton is seeking a Music Minister. If you feel called to lead worship and would like to be considered for this ministry position, please send your resume' to Bethany Baptist Church, 1805 County Road 533, New Brockton, AL 36351. For more information please contact Pastor Greg Cotter at (334) 488-0904.

**Mother's Day Offering**

It is a long standing tradition for churches to receive an offering for The Alabama Baptist Children's Homes on Mother's Day.

**Men's Ministry  
 Leadership Meeting**

May 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Apologetics class

**Pastor/Spouse Date Night**

April 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

The Vineyard Christian Retreat Center

**Grief Share**

**Hosted by: Bethany Baptist Church**

Starting May 5, 2019 and  
 continuing for 13 sessions

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

No registration fee and everyone is welcome  
 For more info, call 334-488-0904