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A Visit With Dr. John.....

By the time you read this, the annual meeting will be history. Let me share with you a few of the things that will have been reported there. This is been an extremely good year for Coffee County Baptist Association.

Financially, the Vineyard had the most productive year ever (in ministry, too). It would have ended the year on a positive note without the \$26,000 given to it by friends. This extra money helped us pay more toward the new Snead Lodge.

This also was a record year in giving by the churches of our association to the CCBA budget. The gifts were up over \$15,000 from last year and over \$6000 more then any other year. The overage was put into the capital improvements at the lodge.

I am so happy to be in a county and in an association where people still believe in the corporate endeavors of the association! What you are doing is even more important today than usual because so many churches have lost sight of the value of doing things together. Budgets of many associations are shrinking rather than growing, and the reasons for it are a very unhealthy trend. You, on the other hand, have made this the biggest financial year in the history of Coffee Association!

This is something you did, not me. I would like to think that it had to do with my leadership, but I know and you know that it is because you trust one another and you desire to be helpful to those in your own backyard and to the people in other places, as well. It is because you know that a struggling church will turn to the organization in its own county when it needs help. It is because you want to join with other churches in doing mission projects that most churches could not do alone. Please know that I am grateful you still hold these values dear to your hearts!

The Hispanic ministry is going well. It tends to struggle financially because some of our associations have not been able to give as they had expected. John Gunter does such an excellent job in leading this ministry. For a while, he will be helping us at Faith Church. He also has started an institute to train Hispanic leaders.

This year marks 10 years we have been doing the Morning Moment spots on radio stations. Kaye was primary in getting this done. We tried to figure how many airings of these spots have taken place over the past 10 years. Some of the stations air these spots two or three times a day. To the best of our calculations, we believe that 25,000 airings is a conservative estimate. I thought that was significant if the DJs were the only ones who heard these messages!

These things are calls for great rejoicing if this had been all that had happened this year. The truth is there were multiple victories on many fronts. Thanks to our good Lord for so many friends and partners in his great work! Thanks to you for your faithful service to God and your church. Thanks to God who is the source of all blessings!

Calendar of Events

October

28 - Senior Adult Luncheon

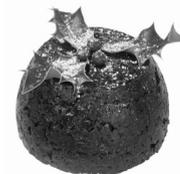
November

02 - Daylight Savings Time Ends
 03 - Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer
 06 - Vineyard Work Day—8 a.m.
 07 & 08 - RA Campout
 11 - Veteran's Day
 11 & 12 - AL Baptist State Convention
 13 - Supper for Vineyard Volunteers
 16 - 24 OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
 20 - Ministers' Meeting—CBC— 10 a.m.
 27 - 28 - THANKSGIVING - Office Closed
 30 - Dec. 02 - LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

December

01 - Coffee Cakes for Children's Home
 04 - Vineyard Workday - 8 a.m.
 Vineyard Meeting - 3 p.m.
 24 - 25 - Christmas Eve/Christmas
 Office Closed

Bi-Vocation Ministers' Meeting
 6:30 p.m., October 28,
 Coffee Baptist Center



Coffee Cakes
 Monday, Dec. 01

**Appreciation Supper for
 Vineyard Volunteers
 November 13, 2014**



**RA
 Campout**
 November 7 & 8
 Boys 1st—6th
 Grades

Registration forms online to
www.vineyardretreat.org
 Or call John Lodsdon at 334-806-2636.

Email:
coffeebaptistracamps@gmail.com



**† Baptist Women's
 World Day of Prayer
 November 03 at 6:30 p.m.
 First Baptist Elba
 Join other women
 around the world and pray**

**Operation Christmas Child
 November 16 - 24, 2014**



These dates are available for volunteers to work at Coffee Baptist Collection Site.
 Saturday, Nov. 22 - 8 a.m. to 12 noon
 Sunday, Nov. 23 - 12 noon until 4:00 p.m.
 Call Debra at 565-3970 to volunteer.