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The Coffee Baptist Vision

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A Visit with Dr. John

I received word yesterday (March 03, 2014) that Bro. Bill Snead had died. We have confidence that he has gone to be with the Lord, which makes the news have its joyful aspects. But the news is sad because Bro. Bill was such a good friend and co-worker. He will be so missed!

Bro. Bill and his friend, Bro. Horace Smith led the association in acquiring The Vineyard. They could envision the ministry that could happen there. Both would be glad to know that more people professed faith in camps at The Vineyard in the last few years than in all the VBS events of all our association put together!

Bro. Snead continued to work for and invest in The Vineyard. He tried to help other people see how important this place could be. He founded and endowed the "Royal Family Kid's Camp," which is an interdenominational camp that ministers to abused children. He bought and gave more land to The Vineyard which allowed another access to the ball field. It is obvious why we named the new building at The Vineyard, "Snead Lodge."

One thing I admired about Bro. Bill was that he saw the value of doing things together. He believed in the work of the association. In fact, he was clerk of Coffee Baptist Association for many years and was Moderator for two. Over the years, he served on many committees. Even when he no longer was active enough to serve, he would come by and talk about things we were doing.

He loved the Lord. He loved his church. He loved Coffee Baptist Association.

Bro. Bill was a very influential person. He brought his influence to bear for Christ, the Church and for partnership kind of ministries.

He could see how working through the association could multiply the usefulness and productivity of the work. He could see how weak churches could be helped and how strong churches could be blessed with avenues of service.

Some of my professors in college and seminary helped me to know the value of meeting with fellow pastors and of being active in the local association. I'm not sure where Bro. Bill acquired this appreciation, but I'm surely glad he did. His life made a great impact because he loved God, he loved people, and he could see clearly the need for partnership missions and ministry.

Calendar of Events

March

- 14 - RA Congress
- 16 - Substance Abuse Prevention Sunday
- 18 - VBS Early Bird Clinic - 6:30
- 20 - Heroes Banquet at Vineyard—6:30 p.m.
- 25 - Bi-Vocation Ministers' Meeting—CBC - 6:30 p.m.
- 27 - Ministers' Meeting—CBC - 10:00 a.m.

April

- 03 - Vineyard Workday 8 a.m. / Meeting 3p.m.
- 03 - WMU Banquet at Ino—6:30 p.m.
- 05 - Deacon Family Cookout at Vineyard
- 13 - Association Bible Drill at Calvary - 2 p.m.
- 15 - VBS Clinic
- 20 - EASTER
- 22 - Bi-Vocation Ministers' Meeting
- 22 - Senior Adult Luncheon 11 a.m. at County Line
- 24 - Ministers' Meeting at CBC—10 a/m.
- 24 - SE Regional Bible Drill at Mt. Gilead in Dothan
- 25-26 - RA Campout at The Vineyard

Heroes Banquet

Thursday, March 20, 2014
 Vineyard Christian Retreat Center
 6:30 p.m.

RSVP by March 12 at 894-6411

Guest Speaker: John Riley

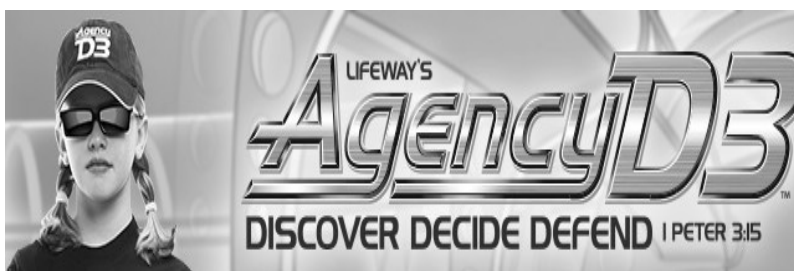
A time when we say "Thank You" to those who serve our communities through their service.

Ministers' Meeting

March 27 at 10:00 a.m.
 Coffee Baptist Center

Spring Senior Adult Retreat

Shocco Springs
 April 14-16, 2014
 Cost: Approx. \$160 per person
 Each person is responsible for making their own reservations with Shocco.
 For information call Shirley at 347-2874.
 Transportation by FBC Enterprise



Vacation Bible School

Early Bird Clinic

For all VBS Directors and Pastors

March 18, 2014—6:30 p.m.

Coffee Baptist Center

New Brockton, Al

Bi-Vocation Ministers Meeting

March 25, 2014

CBC at 6:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar.....

WMU Banquet

April 03, 2014

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