#### **BCM FALL GATHERING**

The following information to our Church Family is an invitation from our Deacon Body.

We are being invited to contribute to a Virginia Baptist Colligate ministry scholarship....

"Every year college students gather for the annual Kairos Fall Gathering at Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center. It's a wonderful weekend for students to grow closer to God through worship and experience Christian community. Every year students come away from this retreat feeling rested and excited to take their faith back to their campuses.

This is the University of Richmond's first year taking students in a while, and the Baptist Colligate Ministry (BCM) humbly asks for financial help for our students. We are looking for scholarships in the amount of \$70 which will bring the cost down to \$35 for each student. We ask if Gloucester Point Baptist Church would be willing to support 1-3 students?"

If anyone is interested in helping the college students with a scholarship, please make your check out to: Gloucester Point Baptist Church. On the memo line please write, BCM Fall Gathering.

The scholarship will be received through Sunday, October 20th 2019.

Thank you for your prayerful support,

Gloucester Point Baptist Church Deacon Body

# CHRISTMAS ALREADY??

It may seem early but the blessed season will be upon us before we know it. To get a head start, WMU is collecting Christmas gifts for the homeless. Won't you join in wishing "some of the least of these" a Merry Christmas with a warm hat, scarf, socks or non-perishable treat such as hard candy or chewing gum? The collection bin is located at the WMU information center and **the last day to bring in your gifts is next Sunday, October 20**. Other suggestions for gifting are underwear and toiletries, such as shampoo, deodorant, etc. We will be delivering the items to either the GUEST Shelter or the church hosting the homeless during the week of Christmas. Thank you for all the ways you show and share the love of Jesus!!

#### ALMA HUNT OFFERING FOR VIRGINIA MISSIONS

Congregation—Congratulations, we have exceeded our goal of \$1,600.00 for the Virginia State Missions offering. To date we have received **\$1,715.00**.

### **BREAD FOR WORLD HUNGER**

Gloucester Point Baptist Church W.M.U. ladies will be baking bread for "World Hunger" on October 19th. As a reminder, the cost of each loaf is \$10.00 with 100% of the proceeds going toward World Hunger. The bread will be ready for pick up NEXT Sunday, October 20th.

## **WE'RE LOOKING FOR A FEW GREAT WOMEN**

If you want to have lots of fun and enjoy great fellowship all while advancing the Kingdom of God, we have a place for you on our team! Ladies, please come join us for our Annual Salad Supper and see what we're all about! WMU inspires and equips women to be radically involved in the fulfillment of the Great Commission. On Tuesday, October 15th at 6pm bring a salad and a friend to celebrate what God is doing in our midst. Please sign up in the Narthex TODAY!!

# **THANK YOU**

My family and I would like to express our sincere appreciation for helping us through the loss of my Dad, John Adams. We were all truly blessed with your prayers, cards, words of encouragement along with your gifts to the church Building Fund in his memory. He loved Gloucester Point Baptist Church and was excited about the new fellowship hall.

The meal presented by the church after the service was amazing. Such fellowship and time for celebration. He would have loved that. Our out of town relatives all commented on how much and how good everything was.

I take comfort in knowing that he is singing in God's choir now.

In Christ.

Teresa Kelley and family

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BUDGET & FINANCE**

Budget requests are due by Sunday, **October 20, 2019**. Your committee and ministry request should be placed in the Budget and Finance Committee's mailbox, in the Church office.

## **QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING**

The October Quarterly Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 6:00 pm. All Committees with items to be presented or discussed at the Business Meeting must submit their information to the Church Office prior to October 20, so it can be available 3 days prior to the meeting.

- 1) The Fellowship Hall Extension Committee recommends: approval of the Gloucester County Site Plan for the new GPBC fellowship hall extension. The cost for the County Site Plan is \$5,000.00. The money will be taken from funds already designated for the new addition.
- 2) For the last several weeks, our church has been in discussions on adopting a CHURCH SAFETY AND PREPAREDNESS PLAN. In the Narthex are draft copies of this plan. Please review the draft and provide us, in writing, any changes you would like to see to this plan. In our next October business meeting, we will present the plan to Church Members for acceptance or rejection. Any changes Or comments should be given (in writing) to one of the following: Sonya Anthony, Stan Gandee, Bob Wray or Howard Warren.

## PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Just a reminder that the Personnel Committee will hold a brief meeting after the worship service **TODAY** in the old library.

# CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Anyone wishing to join the Christmas Cantata, please join us on Wednesday night, **October 16, 2019**, for practice.

## CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY

On Saturday, **October 19, 2019** at **9am** we will have a Church Clean Up Day. We will be getting the church ready and welcoming for our Church's 60th Anniversary on October 27.