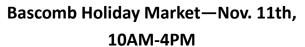


# BASCOMB NEWS

**November 8, 2023** 





BFF is hosting our First Annual Holiday Market for the community. Come and support friends and local vendors this holiday season, Shop Local! Contact RaeLena Rodriguez for details.



# Youth needing donations for the Holiday Market Concession.

Please help with; Hot Chocolate packets, Popcorn (NOT kettle corn), Tortilla Chips for Nachos, Bags of Roasted Peanuts.

Please bring items to the kitchen labeled youth, thank you!

Contact Macie Pittman for details.

#### Youth Lock-In

The youth lock-in is this Saturday November 11th starting at 6PM after the Holiday Market.



November 12, 2023 "Change My Mind" Matthew 3: 13-17

How hard is it for you to change your mind? If you're like me, the ease of changing my mind depends on my belief in the subject which is being questioned. An example of that could be my belief in something that has been scientifically proven. If science says something is true based on scientific fact, then I would most certainly agree with science. *BUT* I have come to learn over the years that things can change, even scientific facts.

Our passage for this Sunday starts with John the Baptist baptizing people in the Jordan River as a symbol for the people's repentance. While he was baptizing, Jesus came from Galilee to see John in order that he could be baptize by him. John questioned Jesus' request believing that he should be the one who should be baptized by Jesus. But Jesus said no. He wanted to be baptized by John in order "to fulfill all righteousness."

So, Jesus was able to change John's mind. John then baptized Jesus and was then rewarded for his honoring Jesus' request. As Jesus came out of the water, John saw the "Spirit of God" as a dove descending upon Jesus. It was here that John heard the voice of God proclaiming that Jesus was loved and that God was pleased with Jesus.

For his faithfulness in heeding Jesus request, John was rewarded in being able to not only to participate in Jesus' baptism but then be witnessed to God's proclamation of love and faith in Jesus by God. What an awesome blessing this was for John the Baptist.

As I write this, it makes me wonder how many opportunities we all miss out on simply because we aren't willing to be open to change our minds. So, I ask you again, "How hard is it for you to change your mind?" It is my prayer that God's Holy Spirit be so clear to all of us that we will see how God can work within our earthly minds by simply changing them into an act of love and grace for all.



### Thanksgiving Feast Planned for November 16th



Did you know that Bascomb Preschool hosts between 150-200 guests when we hold our Thanksgiving celebration in November? This year, the event will take place on Thursday, November 16 from 10:15 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

We teach our boys and girls about the first Thanksgiving, about giving thanks to God for all our blessings and about this American holiday. To prepare for this special day, we invite all of our students to bring one vegetable earlier in the week. They help wash the veggies and are supervised in helping to prepare them to be added to the homemade soup stock cooked by some of our staff members.

Parents and extended families of the Bascomb Preschool students are invited to attend this special lunch.

It takes many hands to prepare for the feast, to keep things moving and to clean up afterwards. If you are interested in volunteering to help at BUMP on this special day, please email <a href="mailto:kathi@bascombpreschool.com">kathi@bascombpreschool.com</a> and let me know

### Breakfast with Santa—Saturday

Dec. 2nd, 9:00-11:00AM



Please join us and bring your kids, grandkids, nieces, and nephews for breakfast, crafts, games, and pictures with Santa!

## Live Nativity—Thursday Dec. 7th, 6:00-8:00PM



Please join us for our Live Nativity. We will have live animals, hot cocoa, and cookies. Bring your whole family to enjoy the true meaning of Christmas.

## Bascomb Mission Thrift Store

## Visit Our Thrift Store!

9550 Main Street Woodstock, GA 30188 678-324-7937 Tuesday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Volunteers needed!** If you are available to help, contact Susan Austin at BascombMissionThrift@gmail.com.

Food Pantry needs: Canned Meats & Fruit, Hearty Soups





Contact China Allmon if interested.
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