

Aylors Discover Sow 'n' Grow Fundraising Potential



Glenn and Frances Aylor
(Photo: G. Aylor)

Meet Glenn Aylor, the man who paid \$25 for one slice of apple pecan cake for a good cause.

Eyeing a freshly baked apple pecan cake with a sugary drizzle on top, Glenn was intrigued but was immediately instructed by his wife Frances not to cut it. She had baked the cake to sell as part of the Sow 'n' Grow program to

benefit the District's disaster ministries and was not letting it go for free.

Unable to resist, Glenn pulled out his wallet and made a donation for just one piece of the delicious cake. It was worth it, he said.

It all started earlier this spring when their pastor, Johnny Hawkins, entrusted the Aylors with Cedar Grove Ruckersville's Sow 'n' Grow seed money. Pastor Hawkins handed them the \$10 and explained that they were to take the small amount of money and buy materials to make something to sell, then use the proceeds to buy more materials and create something else to sell. Little did Glenn realize that the baked goods produced by Frances in their kitchen could raise so much money. When the annual Disaster Auction took place in May, Frances had generated \$757 for disaster ministry in less than three months.

In addition to the apple pecan cake, Glenn reported that Frances made a coconut cake, a coconut pie, a peanut butter pie, chocolate-covered strawberries and her pepper relish, among other items. Frances sold one cake on her Facebook page for \$100 in just 15 minutes.



(Dessert images courtesy of G. Aylor)

Glenn said he deeply appreciates and admires Frances's commitment to this program and noted, "She is very mission minded and this is just one mission that she does." Glenn and Frances are enthusiastic about the program and have already received their seed money for the 2024 auction.

The Disaster Auction Sow 'n' Grow program still has seed money available for 2024. Individuals, groups, Sunday School classes or churches may request seed money by contacting Jan Miller at jan.miller230@gmail.com. Funds raised go to support Brethren Disaster Ministries.

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