

## **MEN OF ST. JAMES REPORT FOR ANNUAL MEETING 2019:**

The Men of St. James kicked off the Church year on Wednesday night, September 19, 2018, with dinner and a meeting in Green Hall, at which time we discussed the directions and goals the members wished to pursue for the coming year, together with several proposed projects, both in and out reach, for the coming Church year.

Several men from the group participated in both of the Mission trips to Church of the Nativity in Panama City following Hurricane Michael.

Members assisted in re-sodding and cleaning-up the playground for St. James School, as well as participated in the dismantling of the old playground fence and equipment.

The Men of St. James had their first, of what is hoped to be their Annual Christmas Tree and Greenery Sale, through pre-sales during the month of October through Thanksgiving. Thanks to Doug Carter, in particular, for the great idea for this project, as well as his and George Huckabay's planning and coordination for set-up and sales. The event was very successful, considering the first year, and all net proceeds will be donated to the St. James School, in the final amount of approximately \$2,300.00. Due to the Parishes' reception and interest in this project, we hope to make this an Annual event, and even bigger next year.

The Men of St. James hosted the Pancake Breakfast for Breakfast with St. Nicholas on Saturday, December 8, 2018.

The Men of St. James hosted the Chili-Supper following the annual Epiphany Feast of Lights service on Sunday, January 6, 2019.

Hopefully, the upcoming year will provide the Men of St. James with more opportunities for out and in-reach, and fellowship.