



PLEASE KEEP IN MIND ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST WHICH CAN BE FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THIS PUBLICATION. Especially remember Ruby Harrell, Pat Wright, Dottie Kincaid, Vivian Adams, Alexandria Obeginski, Gail Roddenberry, Louise Sinclair, Carol Richtor, Beverly Hixon, David and Twyla Austin, Angie Chapman, LaVerne Crawford, Ed Still, Joyce Rosser and Russ Alexander. We want to add Faye Brown's sister, Gay Cothren and the wife of a friend of Greg Holmes, Carolyn Herron, who has been diagnosed with cancer. John Little, Lisa Obeginski's dad, had exploratory surgery at Newton General on Monday. Hazel Howell, Buck's mom, had a biopsy on Monday at Dekalb Medical Center.

THERE WILL BE AN ELDERS', DEACONS' AND PREACHER MEETING Sunday afternoon at 4:00 P. M.

OUR NEW YEAR FAMILY DAYS begin on January 18th and will continue on the third Sunday of each month. Following our Morning Worship, we will have a Pot Luck Luncheon. Please invite your family and friends to come and be with us. Please plan to stay for the afternoon service. We will have a devotional then, singing.

Conyers Youth

The trip to Exposure was great. There were 75 responses. We pray God's blessings on Cody Harbuck, a member of our youth group. He was baptized early on Monday Morning. Cody is about to leave to go for training in the Marine Corp.

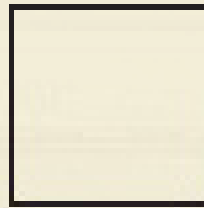
We have an opportunity to go to the CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE in February. A sign up sheet will be in the foyer. More details will be forth coming.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MORNING WORSHIP - SUNDAY 9:00AM
 BIBLE SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES - SUNDAY 10:00AM
 EVENING WORSHIP - SUNDAY 6PM
 LADIES BIBLE CLASS - TUESDAY 10:00AM SEPT - MAY
 WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY 7PM

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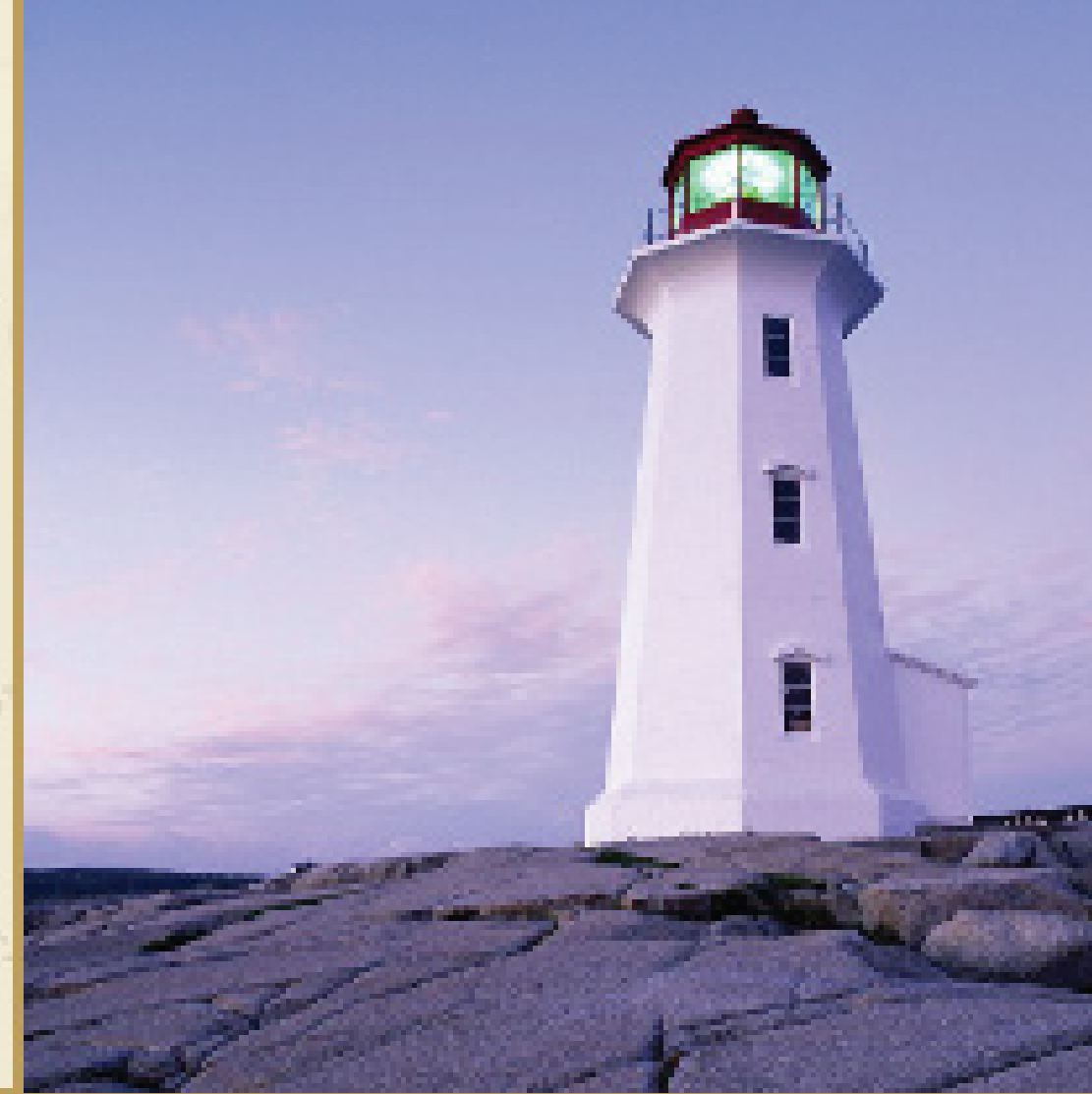


Those to Serve

THOSE TO SERVE
 JANUARY 11, 2009

WELCOME	A. M. Mark O'Hearn	P. M. Mark O'Hearn
OPENING PRAYER	Mark O'Hearn	Gary Jenkins
SONG LEADER	J. C. Johnson	J. C. Johnson
LORD'S TABLE	Glenn Hildebrandt - Don Graves Jeff Vines - Mike Herring	Don Graves Jeff Vines
CLOSING PRAYER	Bobby Cox	Jim Claxton
SCRIPTURE READING		Lance Holmes
COMMUNION	The Holmes Family	
GREETERS	Prince - Roddenberry	
USHERS	G. Roddenberry - Buck Howell	
AUDIO	Ed Prince	Ed Prince
NURSERY	Wendy Buice - Janet Stephens - Avail. Upon Request	
WEDNESDAY JAN. 14, 2008		
WELCOME	Mark O'Hearn	
SONG DIRECTOR	Jeff Vines	
INVITATION	Jeff Johnson (Coordinating Elder for	
CLOSING PRAYER	Robert Dunlap Jan. - Mark O'Hearn)	
USHER	Kirk Mahan	

*Please arrive in the library 15 minutes before worship.
 If unable to serve, please call the Director in charge.*



THE CONYERS BEACON

LET US ALL WORK ON READING
 OUR BIBLE THROUGH IN 2009. IF
 YOU NEED A COPY OF THE DAILY
 BIBLE IN CHRONOLOGICAL
 ORDER, SEE JIM SIMPSON



Beacon Notes

PONDERING THE PROVERBS - 12

We can learn a great deal from a simple balance beam scale. At first glance one might assume that the greatest volume would equal the greatest weight and therefore be the greatest value. We should however carefully examine the items in contrast. For instance a one pound rock and one pound of gold will balance the scale and yet common sense tells us that the gold is far more valuable. If we replace the rock with a diamond weighing one pound and the gold with coal weighing one pound we find ourselves in a similar situation knowing that the diamond is far more valuable. This all seems so simple to us and yet some might argue over which they would rather have.

A one pound rock is easy to find and can have many uses. It can be ground to make gravel, or used in the foundation of a house. The one pound rock does not require much work and most everyone can get one. By the way, if you don't choose the rock you would be left out because all your friends have a one pound rock. They use their rocks to grind things, prop up things and they can even use their rocks to threaten others if the need arises. What a great thing is this one pound rock.

For the boring and less exciting there is always that one pound piece of gold. This stuff is so hard to acquire. It has to be mined from the earth or untold gallons of water have to be sifted to find it in a small quantity. Some foolish people give up so much to acquire just a little gold. When the gold is found then it has to be refined for its greatest value. Once finished, you cannot grind anything with it, nor prop up things with it for it is too soft. What good is this gold? Trade it for a pound of coal, you will have better use for it.

Coal does have to be mined but it is great fun to dig deep into the earth. While mining the coal we find things left behind by those who turned the pages of history before us. Once we have the coal we can use it to fuel heaters to keep us warm or stoves from which we can eat or to fuel generators that power our lives. The coal can provide a party and is far more useful than the diamond.

The diamond has to be mined but there is such a nuisance with security. Once the diamond is mined then it has to be classified by quality. Then its only uses are to dangle as jewelry or as blades to smoothly cut glass. Trade the one pound diamond for the same weight in rock or coal and you will have more use for it.

This reasoning seems absurd to us, or does it. We live in a world that mourns the AIDS virus and raises and spends untold millions to fight the disease and yet we have the answer. We know that the AIDS virus is spread by promiscuous sexual contact and has infected more in the homosexual lifestyle. We know that this virus is spread by dirty needles shared by drug addicts. Common sense begs the question, would it not be easier and less expensive to campaign against promiscuous sexual contact including homosexuality and against drug abuse? This is the gold if we will simply sift through our reasoning and knowledge coming to a wise conclusion. This is the gold of decision. We can make a decision to be wise and it will reward us.

Get to Know us Better

Perhaps the simple question of a child could help us with our reasoning. After watching an advertisement on television for an alcoholic beverage the last statement beamed, "Drink Responsibly". The child simply asked how can any one "Drink Responsibly". "Everyone I have ever seen on television or in person was silly, rude or sick from drinking alcohol." We send confusing messages that alcohol makes one sophisticated and yet we see the results. Drunks on television are laughed at and the news tells us of the deadly results of drunk driving. Once again we are faced with decisions. The diamond in this decision is not to involve ourselves nor encourage the use of alcohol.

Place the diamond and the gold on the scale and the beam might simply quote Barbra Bush from years before. "Just Say No!". Excuse what you may but wisdom does call out to us, will we hear it?

Proverbs 8:1-7

1 Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice? 2 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths. 3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors. 4 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man. 5 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart. 6 Hear; for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my lips shall be right things. 7 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

Jeff's Journal: Be of One Mind in 2009

Prayer List

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| Tammy Hale | David Austin | Norma Gazaway |
| Thomas Poole | Josh Hames | Pat Sikes |
| Lydia Lewis | Mary Ann Cox | Toni Day |
| Ruth York | Alice Poole | Elise Hines |
| Don Jimerson | Ken Hargrove | Vivian Adams |
| Pat Wright | Arwin Massey | Louise Utley |
| Jordon Hensley | Bob Claxton | Bobby Allen |
| Pat Allen | James Dunlap | Martha Dunlap |
| Twyla Austin | Lexie Obeginski | Anna Thomason |
| Beverly Hixon | Hazel Howell | Dottie Kincaid |
| Lynda Hubbard | Russ Alexander | Pamela Ray |
| Louise Sinclair | Gail Roddenberry | Carol Richter |



Ruth York - Azalea Gardens - #123

EDUCATION

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

We have 3 adult Sunday Morning Winter Quarter Classes. Joranna Saunders teaches a class for the Ladies. Gary Jenkins is teaching "Am I My Brother's Keeper?", and Robert Dunlap is teaching in the auditorium.

ITHERE WILL BE A TEACHERS' MEETING AND A FINGER FOOD LUNCHEON, on Sunday, following the Morning Worship.

JANUARY 4, 2008

Bible Class 114
Morning Worship 187
Evening Worship 85
Contribution \$4,198.50

LADIES, PLEASE SIGN UP TO PREPARE COMMUNION IN 2009.

THANKS TO:

To the Conyers Church...
A big thank you for the big, generous fruit basket. I am enjoying it so much.
In Christian Love,
Jean French

EVENT DATES

UPCOMING IN JAN.

- 11 **TEACHERS' MEETING & FINGER FOOD LUNCHEON AFTER MORNING WORSHIP**
- 11 **EDP Mtg. at 4:00 P. M.**
- 18 **FAMILY DAY POT LUCK LUNCHEON**
- 25 **Morningside Singing**

PANTRY ITEMS

NON PERISHABLES