

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Jimmy Wilkins - had surgery recently because of a recent fall. Please keep him in your prayers for a speedy recovery.
Alton Ford - Martha Dunlap's brother-in-law, is in the hospital in very serious condition.
Nikki Fennell - returned home from Arizona and is experiencing health issues.

Read the Bible Through in 2016

If you'd like to order a chronological Bible, please sign up in the foyer. There is also a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those who have completed the chronological Bible reading in 2015.

Congratulations!

Maria Sanford and Brandon Medley are tying the knot on April 2, 2016 at 6:00 pm, and they would like the members here to celebrate their day with them. Details are on our website under Member News, and an invitation is on the board in the foyer.

Puppet Team Meeting – January 31, 2016

Immediately following afternoon devotional.

Raintree Village Pickup – February 1, 2016

Message for preteens, tweens, and teens: Sunday following the afternoon devotional (prior to puppet practice), items for Raintree pickup need to be moved to the back door for easy loading on their truck on Monday. Please lend a hand to this great work.

Conyers Youth

Youth J.A.M. Session

February 7, 2016

Leadership training for our youth PLUS great training for adults as well!
 Bring \$3 for pizza.

Southside Youth Devotional

(Atlanta Airport)

February 21, 2016

Sign-up sheet is in the Foyer

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

BIBLE SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
 SUNDAY 9:30AM

MORNING WORSHIP
 SUNDAY 10:30AM

EVENING WORSHIP
 SUNDAY 6PM

LADIES BIBLE CLASS
 TUESDAY 10AM SEPT.-MAY

WEDNESDAY EVENING
 BIBLE STUDY 7PM

Elders:

Daron Cheney
 Greg Holmes
 Tom Johnson
 Jim Simpson

Deacons:

Roger DuPree - Chris Lovern
 John Hines
 Kirk Mahan - Tyrone Holden
 Corey Dickens - Michael Yates
 Anthony Dilligard - Jim Fulmer

Minister:

Jeff Johnson

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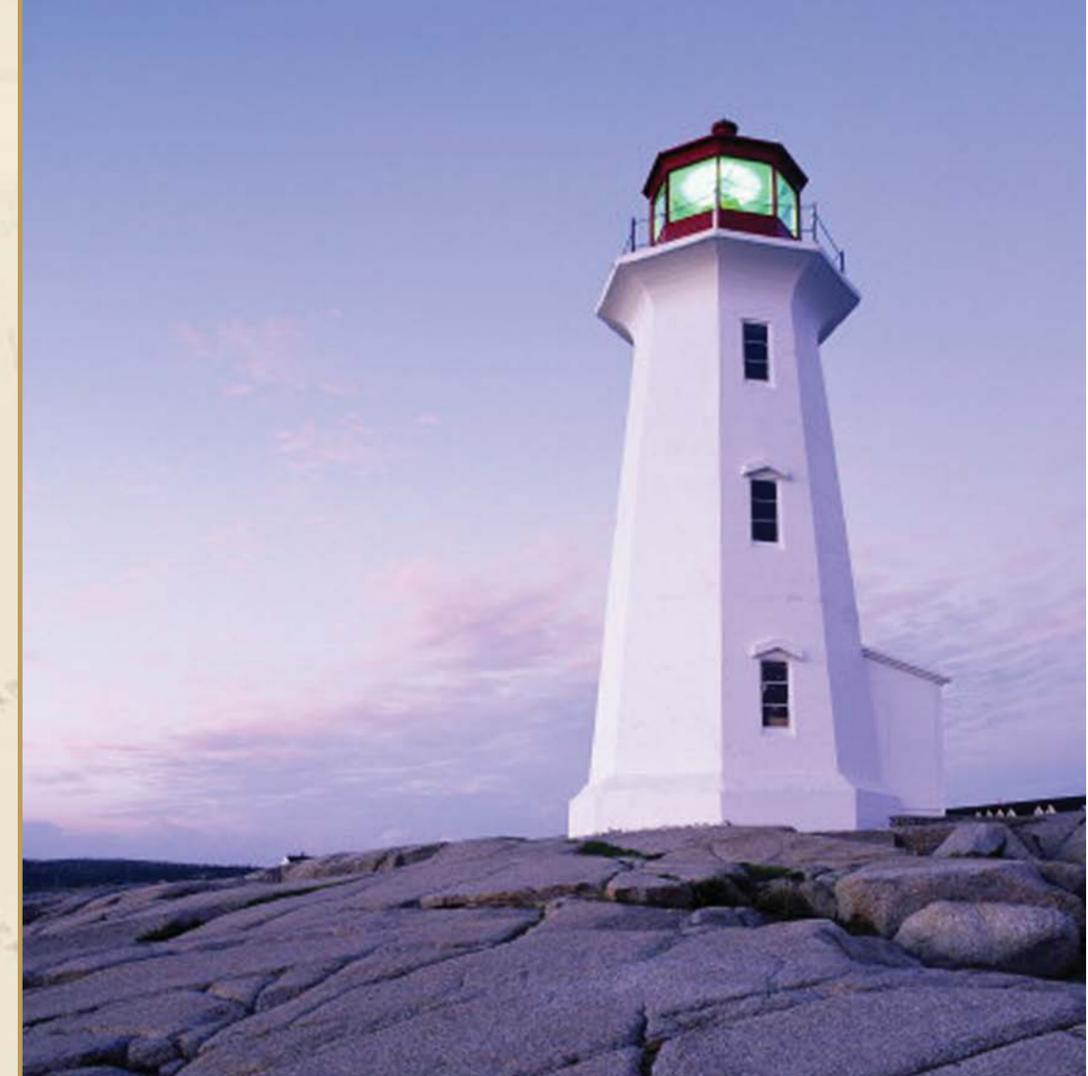
Sunday - January 31, 2016

	AM	PM
SONG DIRECTOR:	Anthony Dilligard	Anthony Dilligard
OPENING PRAYER:	Gordon Roddenberry	Roger DuPree
LORD'S TABLE:	David Drumm - Bernard Austin	Bernard Austin
	Russ Corbin - Ross Mahan	
SCRIPTURE READING:	Dion Williams	Noah Corbin
	Jeremiah 4:6-9	Proverbs 15:13-16
SERMON:	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Jim Fulmer	Jim Fulmer
CLOSING PRAYER:	Matt Carter	Korey Dickens
USHERS:	John Hines	John Hines
	Austin Massey	Austin Massey
AUDIO:	Tanner Tolleson	Tanner Tolleson
COORDINATING DEACON:	Hines / DuPree / Dickens	Hines / DuPree / Dickens

Wednesday - February 3, 2015

USHER:	Buck Howell
WELCOME / PRAYER:	Charles Mahan
SONG LEADER:	Anthony Dilligard
DEVOTIONAL:	Jeff Johnson
AUDIO:	Austin Massey

Men, please meet in the library 15 minutes before worship.
 If unable to serve, please call the Deacon in charge.



THE CONYERS BEACON

“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”

Hebrews 11:6



Pondering the Proverbs 22
Create in Me a Clean Heart

The poetic strains of the Psalm 51 calls out to God that His righteousness would correct our mis-guided ways. A popular song based on the Psalm calls unto God to break our hearts and break down the barriers between us. These words reflect a humble spirit before God. "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me" (Psalm 51:10). In our pilgrimage through this land we all admit we need a renewal of spirit at various points in our lives. As we make this cry unto God let us consider carefully that we make not this cry in vain. We find that the renewal and clean heart petitioned of God simply does not suddenly envelope us and take away our control. One of the great and mysterious gifts with which God has blessed us is the power of decision. Since God choose not to over-ride the will of man, let us examine the cry of the Psalm in light of the wisdom of Proverbs 16. The powerful Proverbs illuminate our understanding as we approach God in prayer and song.

The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD. All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits. Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established. The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished. By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil. (Proverbs 16:1-6)

It would appear that Solomon is communicating that the heart of man must be willing to accept the plans of Jehovah God. How is it that God communicates His plan that we may accept it? How does He enter into us that we may have the answer that is from Him?

Man has skewed reasoning based on a myriad of factors. Solomon reminds us that all our ways seem clean to us. It is the Lord who weighs in the balance righteousness versus evil. When we truly commit to humbly following God then the very thoughts of God become our thoughts and our path is established. God values Man with a love that we cannot comprehend. That love, however, does not write us a blank check. Man is still the creature, created by God for God. We must remember our place before the One Who gave us all we have.

It is by the mercy and truth of God that our relationship can be restored after we have fallen by our own desires into the mires of sin. The psalmist cries for mercy before God. "Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit" (Psalm 51:11-12). Pride has devised a plethora of directions pointing to salvation but leading to a dead end. It is by a respect of the authority and power of God that man realizes his position and looks unto God for the direction of truth.

God provides us with the direction of truth through His plenary Word. It is the power of God's Word that breaks the heart of man preparing it for the work of a thankful and penitent creature. Once having found that treasure, it is too precious to hide, it must be shared. "Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee" (Psalm 51:13).

As we cry unto Him to create within us a clean heart and restore righteousness, let us do so while enveloping ourselves in study and meditation of His word. "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" (Hebrews 11:6).

▶ Jeff Johnson

Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

Prayer List

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| Ruby Harrell | Rajah Sinclair | Gaye Cothren |
| Clint Cooper | Nikki Fennell | Beverly Hixon |
| Jan Coulon | Jacqueline Anderson | Ronnie Smith |
| Olen & Lydia Lewis | Lowell Strock | Kathleen Yates |
| Irene Mapp | Linda Sells | Tootsi Shepard |
| Faye Brown | Kay Hyers | Becky Waller |
| CP & Joan Mathews | Dawn Robinson | Valdeese Brown |
| Al Adcock | Bernice Smith | James Francis |
| Jack & Francis Zorn | Evelyn Brown | Victor Kilpatrick |
| Martha Toney | Anne Clark | John Jansen |
| Sharon Honoré | Dollie Graves | JC Davidson |
| Jake Born | Thelma Chambers | |
| Wileen Crawford | Bob Swartz | |

▶ *And Remember Those in Nursing Homes* ▶

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| Charlotte Fuls | Charles Fikes | Ceci Mullins |
| Charles Burks | Bob LaFavor | Andrew Anderson |
| Buddy Allen | Emma Baker | Helena Cathey |

Education

Log onto our website
www.conyerschurchofchrist.com
for more details

Sundays

Classes are available for all ages from infant to adult, and we encourage all members to make every effort to attend all Bible study periods.

Adult Classes

Each adult is encouraged to attend one of these courses this quarter.

Samuel: Judge and Prophet
(Auditorium)

Ladies' Class - Woman to Woman
(Room 213)

Middle and High School Classes
Samuel: Judge and Prophet

Wednesdays

Middle and High School Classes
Study of Matthew (Part 3)

Adult Class

Living a Life That Matters
(Auditorium)

Read the Bible Through in 2016

The year 2016 will make the 27th year that we have encouraged our members at Conyers to read the "Whole Bible" through during the year.

We recommend *The Daily Bible in Chronological Order*. We order these Bibles by the case and make them available to our members at cost, currently \$18.00 (retail about \$25).

If you would like to order one or more of these Bibles so you can start the new year of 2016 off right, please sign the sheet in the foyer. These Bibles make excellent gifts.

EVENT DATES

UPCOMING IN January

31 Family Day

UPCOMING IN February

1 Raintree Village Pickup

2 Ladies' Class

7 Super Bowl Pary - Care Group 1

7 Lads to Leaders - Round Tuit

9 Ladies' Class

13 Sweetheart Banquet

14 Valentine's Party - Pathfinders

14 EDP Meeting

15 Monday Night for the Master

16 Ladies' Class

21 Southside Youth Devotional

23 Ladies' Class

26-28 Challenge Youth Conference

Quarterly Mission Focus

Pack the Pantry Raintree Villiage

This quarter, we are focusing on gathering items for Raintree Village and to maintain stock in our pantry. There is a list of items needed in the foyer.