

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Korey Dickens** - is scheduled for surgery on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Please keep him in your prayers.

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**Extended Prayer List**

Take a look at our Extended Prayer List. If you are aware of any names that, for whatever reason, no longer needs to be listed, please notify the office.

**Display Table for Graduating High School Seniors**

Display Table is in the foyer. Stop by and take a look at what our graduation seniors have accomplished and what they plan to do next! Give them encouraging words in the books provided for each one. The display will remain until May 29th.

**Family Day** - May 29, 2016

**Congregational Singing** - June 5, 2016 (evening services)

**Congratulations to our Graduates!!!!**



(High School) Taylor Yates; Ross E. Mahan; Joshua R. Robinson; Ni'Yanna N. McLeroy; Tony D.D. Collins, II; Jamal A. Williams, Jr; Tiyonna Lester (not pictured). (College) Ch'Vaun Ginton; Raoul Saunders (not pictured).

*Conyers Youth*

**Southside Youth Devotional**

(Peachtree City)

May 22, 2016

Sign up sheet is in the foyer

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**End-of-Year Celebration**  
May 27, 2016

**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

**Deacons:**

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

**Minister:**

Jeff Johnson

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*Those to Serve*

**Sunday - May 22, 2016**

**SONG DIRECTOR:**

**AM**  
Caleb Johnson  
Bruce Haynes

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Josh Robinson - Garland Benefield  
Gordon Roddenberry - Walker Howell

**LORD'S TABLE:**

**SCRIPTURE READING:**

Jayce Lovern  
Nehemiah 4:1-6

**SERMON:**

Jeff Johnson  
Jim Fulmer

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

Bernard Austin  
Michael Yates

**USHERS:**

Jerry Guill  
Christian Saunders

**AUDIO:**

Yates / Holden / Dilligard

**COORDINATING DEACON:**

**PM**

Caleb Johnson  
Tom Johnson  
Gordon Roddenberry

Landon Lovern  
1 Corinthians 10:12-17

Jeff Johnson

Jim Fulmer

Charles Mahan

Michael Yates

Jerry Guill

Christian Saunders

Yates / Holden / Dilligard

**Wednesday - May 25, 2015**

**USHER:**

Jerry Guill  
Tom Johnson

**WELCOME / PRAYER:**

Walker Howell

**SONG LEADER:**

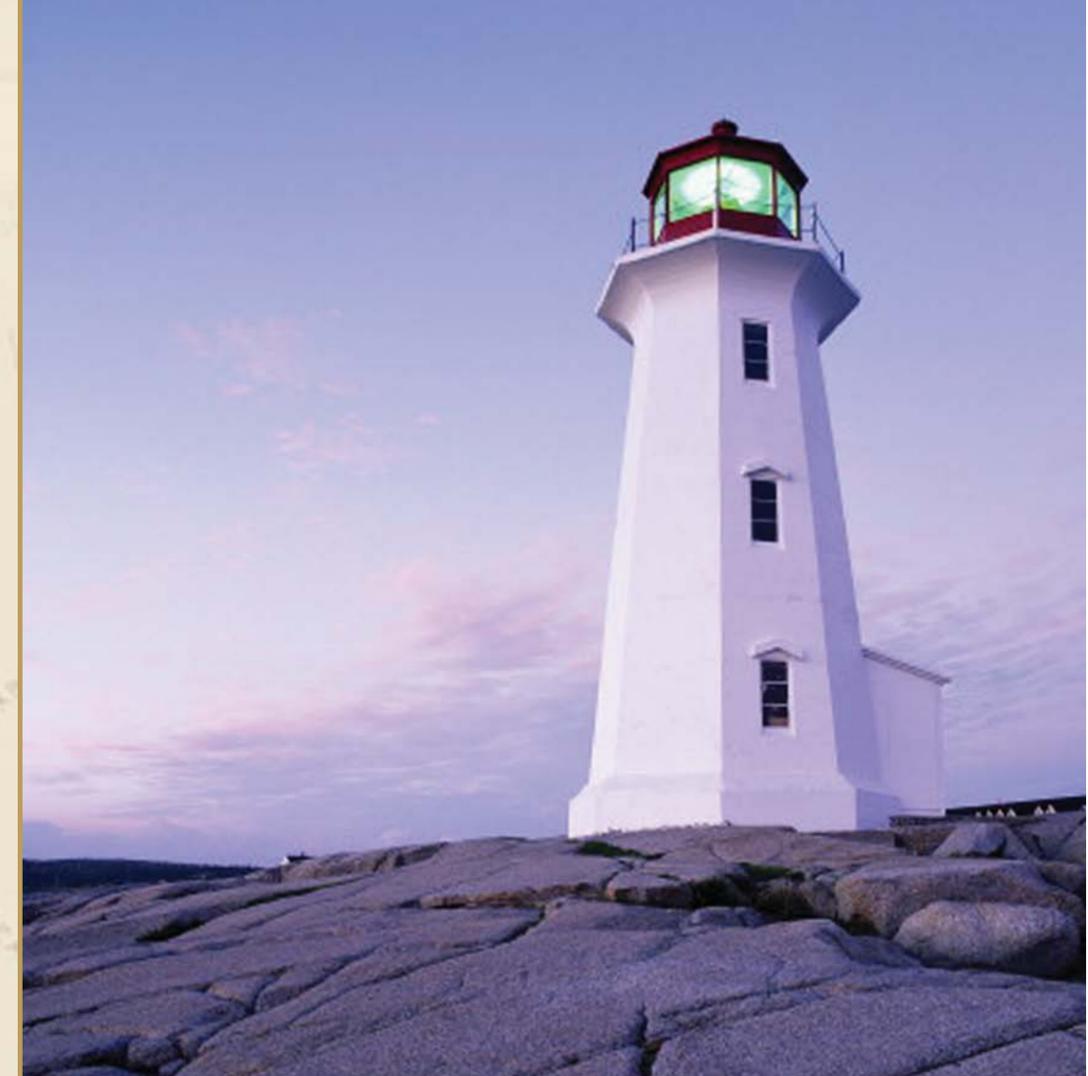
Anthony Dilligard

**DEVOTIONAL:**

Austin Massey

**AUDIO:**

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



THE CONYERS BEACON

“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

Colossians 3:17



## Signs from God Merging Traffic



For many of us each day includes an entrance to an interstate highway. The highways that travel east and west typically have even numbers and those that travel north and south typically have odd numbers. It is interesting to note that the direction of travel is general and some interstates, like I-24, actually wind north and south for miles with a gentle east/west slope.

The same principle is true for I-75. This tells us that we must follow the signs to reach our destination because our own sense of direction could mis-lead us. If we follow our own senses which may point us true north, we could end up on a road that takes us west and we could be lost in a short time.

Traveling the interstates requires us to make the fundamental merge into the quickly paced traffic. We use the ramp to get up to speed and then we look for a gap to take a place. Sometimes, however, it is not easy to find a gap. Some drivers may be aggressive and find it a challenge to prevent our merging. Some drivers may pretend they do not see you and passively aggressively prevent our merging. Some drivers may not be paying attention and inadvertently cause a problem. Still some may be trapped by other traffic and unable to help provide a gap. For whatever reason it might be, most of us have experienced a momentary travel down the emergency lane trying to merge into moving traffic.

We should consider other drivers when we see them trying to merge. Too often a feeling of fairness means to us that others should have to feel the pain and anxiety that we have experienced. We may treat another in an abrasive manner because we think, "I survived being treated like this. It's just life, you will survive too. Just get over it." If we were to take such statements to God in prayer, do we really think we would be pleasing to God. "Of course not!", we would exclaim. Considering this, let us review how we merge our lives with that of others.

Jesus was one Who selected an amazing cross section of people to be His "inner circle." These men merged because they understood that safely arriving at the destination was the most important thing.

Andrew was a fisherman. In our society we might consider him a blue-collar workman. We find that he was one who introduced others to Jesus (John 1:40). Bartholomew who is believed to have been a missionary to Armenia is also believed to be the only apostle to be of noble birth. His name means Son of Tolmai or Talmi (2 Samuel 3:3). Talmi was king of Geshur whose daughter, Maacah, was the wife of David, mother of Absalom. He was also called Nathaniel. James, Boanerges (son of thunder), son of Zebedee and Salome, brother of John the Apostle; was also a fisherman. James, the less, we have little information about yet he is believed to be brother to Jude and Matthew the tax collector.

John Boanerges (son of thunder), son of Zebedee and Salome, brother of James, a fisherman, was known as the Beloved Disciple. Judas Iscariot, the money handler, was a traitor to Jesus. Judas was Judean as the others were Galileans. Jude, Thaddeus, or Lebbeus, was a brother of James the less. The historian, Jerome, called Jude "Trinomious" which means "a man with three names. Matthew was a tax collector which put him in the light of a traitor to the Jewish culture and were often classified with sinners (Matthew 18:17; Matthew 21:31, 33; Matthew 9:10; Mark 2:15,16; Luke 5:30). Peter was also a fisherman who is remembered by his bold speech which boomeranged on him.

The Gospel of John shows Philip as one of the first of many to whom Jesus addressed the words, "Follow Me." When Philip met Christ, he immediately found Bartholomew and told him that "we have found him, of whom Moses ... and the prophets, did write" (John 1:45). Simon the Zealot was party to a group that had great hatred for the Romans and anyone who dared compromise with the same such as Matthew. The King James Version calls Simon a Canaanite (Matthew 10:4; Mark 3:18). However in the other places he is called Simon Zelotes (Luke 6:15; Acts 1:13). Thomas, also called Didymus and Judas, was present at the raising of Lazarus (John 11:2-16). Even having seen such, the one who is often called the doubter needed evidence of Jesus' resurrection.

A review of these 12 tell us that it would be unlikely that these men would get along much less be effective in a cause. Yet, they were effective in a cause that changed the world because they merged and moved in unity of message and spirit.

As we merge into the traffic of life bearing the message of salvation, let us not become as the angry and aggressive people who are lost. Let us follow God's word rather than our sense of direction for a bearing on our final destination. Let us demonstrate love and honor that we might share the same message of salvation that the apostles brought forth over 2000 years ago.

Jeff Johnson

## Prayer List

Ruby Harrell  
Clint Cooper  
Jan Coulon  
Olen & Lydia Lewis  
Irene Mapp  
Faye Brown  
CP & Joan Mathews  
Al Adcock  
Jack & Francis Zorn  
Martha Toney  
Sharon Honoré  
Jake Born  
Wileen Crawford  
Carl Segura  
Korey Dickens

Rajah Sinclair  
Nikki Fennell  
Jacqueline Anderson  
Lowell Strock  
Linda Guill  
Kay Hyers  
Dawn Robinson  
Bernice Smith  
Evelyn Brown  
Anne Clark  
Dollie Graves  
Thelma Chambers  
Bob Swartz  
JoAnn Turner  
Tom Holland

Gaye Cothren  
Beverly Hixon  
Ronnie Smith  
Kathleen Yates  
Tootsi Shepard  
Becky Waller  
Valdeese Brown  
James Francis  
John Jansen  
JC Davidson  
Wayne Mullins  
Don Mimms  
Kathy Dennington

## And Remember Those in Nursing Homes

Charlotte Fulks  
Charles Burks  
Buddy Allen

Charles Fikes  
Bob LaFavor  
Emma Baker

Ceci Mullins  
Andrew Anderson  
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.

### Tragedy and Hope in Jeremiah (Auditorium)

**Ladies' Class** - Lady B.U.G.s (Better Understanding God) Room 213

### Middle and High School Classes

Tragedy and Hope in Jeremiah

### Wednesdays

### Middle School

Sowing the Seed of the Kingdom

### High School

Out with Doubt

### Adult Class

**The Mission of the Local Church** (Auditorium)

## Remember Our Vision

At the Conyers Church of Christ, we want to go to heaven.

We will get there by:

Obeying the Gospel call;  
Worshipping in a scriptural manner;  
Evangelizing our world;

Providing benevolent outreach in our community; and  
Helping our members grow as Christians

## EVENT DATES

### UPCOMING IN May

- 22 Southside Youth Devotional - Peachtree City
- 27 End-of-Year Celebration
- 29 Family Day Lads Workshop

### UPCOMING IN June

- 5 Congregational Singing
- 5 EDP Meeting
- 13-17 VBS
- 22 Summer Series Herbert Moore
- 25 Men's Breakfast
- 29 Summer Series Nick Adams

### UPCOMING IN July

- 3 EDP Meeting
- 4 Congregational Picnic
- 6 Summer Series
- 10-15 Camp Inagehi
- 17 Teachers' Meeting

## Mission Focus 2nd Quarter

### School Supplies

For the second quarter of 2016, we are collecting school supplies in preparation for an upcoming giveaway. A list of suggested items is in the foyer.