

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**Bertha Little** – Lisa Little’s mom, had surgery today. Keep her in your prayers.

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**Diana Singing** – September 9-10, 2016  
Bus leaves the building at 8:00 am on Friday.

**Elders’, Deacons’, Preacher’s Meeting** - September 11, 2016 at 4:00 pm

**Monday Night for the Master** - September 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm

**Ice Cream Social** (CG3) - September 17, 2016 at 2:00 pm

**Lads to Leaders** - “All Aboard” - September 25, 2016

**Perry Fair** - October 1, 2016

**Elders’, Deacons’, Preacher’s Meeting** - October 9, 2016 at 4:00 pm

*Conyers Youth*

**Southside Youth Devotional**

(Shannon)

September 18, 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  
Gordon Roddenberry

**Deacons:**

Roger DuPree - Kirk Mahan  
Michael Yates - Tyrone Holden  
Korey Dickens  
Anthony Dilligard - Jim Fulmer  
Bernard Austin - Bruce Haynes

**Minister:**

Jeff Johnson

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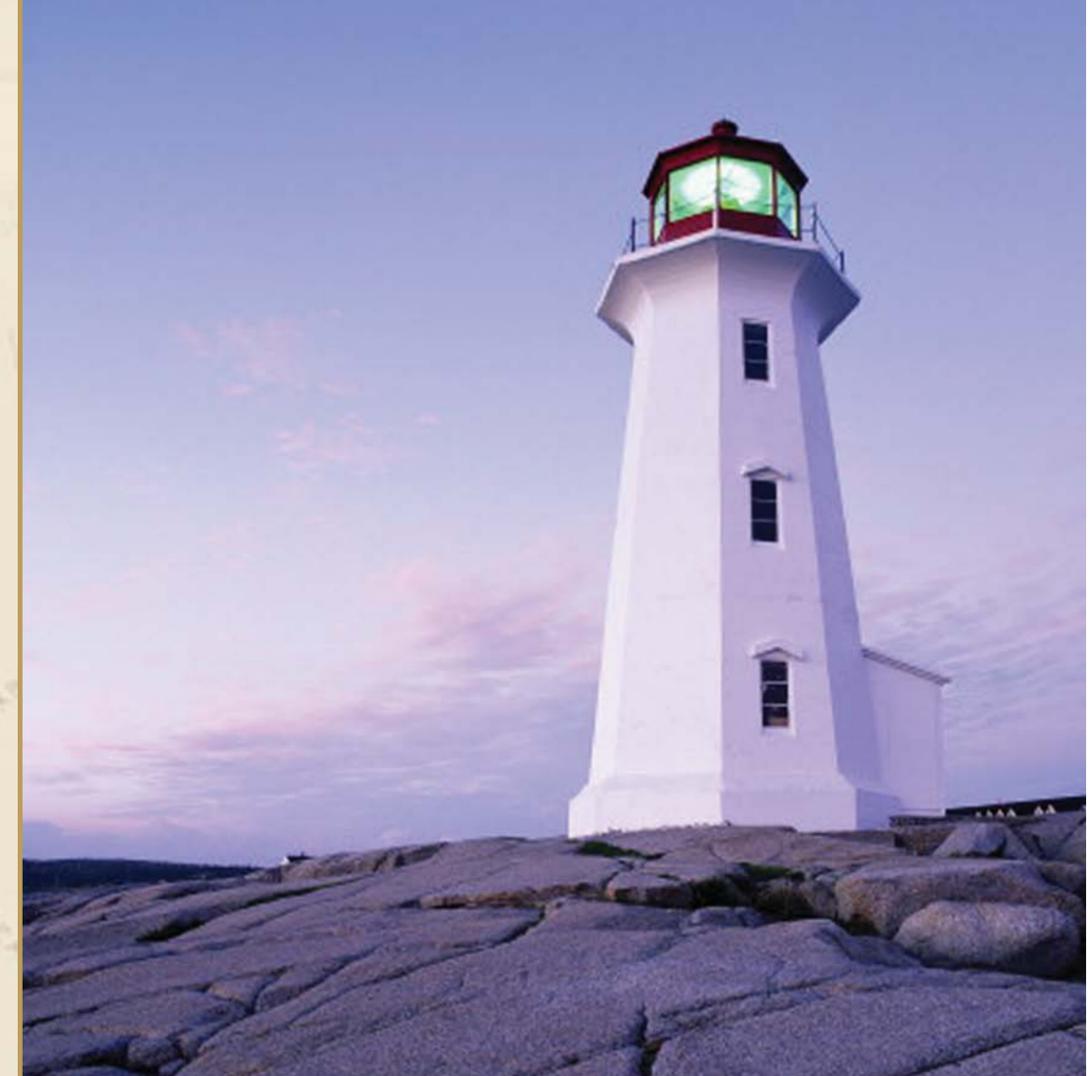
**Sunday - September 11, 2016**

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
SONG DIRECTOR:	Korey Dickens	Korey Dickens
OPENING PRAYER:	Jim Fulmer	Charles Mahan
LORD’S TABLE:	Brandon Medley - Bruce Haynes Raoul Saunders - Michael Yates	Raoul Saunders
SCRIPTURE READING:	Ross Mahan	Simon Jenkins 1 Peter 3:15-17
SERMON:	Scott Tominey	Jeff Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Greg Holmes	Greg Holmes
CLOSING PRAYER:	Tyrone Holden	Walter Norman
USHERS:	Anthony Dilligard Jerry Guill	Anthony Dilligard Jerry Guill
AUDIO:	Christian Saunders	Christian Saunders

**Wednesday - September 14, 2016**

USHER:	Jerry Guill
WELCOME / PRAYER:	Charles Mahan
SONG LEADER:	Garrett Yates
DEVOTIONAL:	Tom 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

“ Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus..”

Colossians 1:28



September 7, 2016

Dear brethren,

Greetings in the Lord! I pray that this letter finds you well as you strive together with us for the faith of the gospel (Philippians 1:27). God has given us many reasons to be grateful, and both I and my family count you among those reasons. Thank you for all you have done for us.

It's hard to know how to begin this letter, so I will start with the conclusion. After much thought and prayer, Chantelle and I have decided that we are going to be leaving the mission field.

There are many factors that went into this decision, and if you are interested I can run you through our thought process in detail. However, it is probably enough to say that above all of these factors was the realization that our lives as overseas missionaries in general and in Singapore in particular don't mesh with what we want for our young and prayerfully growing family at this time. It is in no way indicative of any issues that we have with Four Seas College or with the wonderful brethren we have been blessed to work with over the past few years.

We came to this conclusion a couple of months ago and informed both our coworkers at Four Seas and our overseers at Leonard St. that we would likely be leaving sometime around the end of the year. At the same time, we became aware that the South Anchorage congregation in Anchorage, Alaska was looking for a preacher. This congregation fit what we envisioned as an ideal next work – a congregation that could fully support us financially but that was in a "mission area" (outside of the Bible belt) and in proximity to nature (something we have greatly missed during our time here in Singapore). After a due process that involved online meetings and then visiting the congregation during our term break, they offered us the position and we decided to accept it. Lord willing, we will start there in late December after I see out the term here at Four Seas.

This is not how we envisioned leaving mission work – we had anticipated being able to see all of our supporters who wished it one last time before settling into a new work. I'm truly sorry it didn't work out this way. We had no idea the Lord would open another door so quickly! However, we have talked with the brethren at South Anchorage and they have agreed to give us up to five weeks next year to see anyone who might request it. This will not allow us to see everyone unfortunately, so rather than arranging a visit as I have done in the past, I am going to wait for your request.

If you are at all able, please continue to support us until the end of the year. We are trying to do the right thing by the school by finishing out the year, but it will still take your help to make that possible. After that, please consider continuing to support Four Seas College. It is a good work and it will not end with our departure. Our coworkers and the overseers of the school are already looking for my replacement. I hope to be able to send you information concerning him and his family soon for your consideration.

Thank you so much for being willing to work with us here in Singapore. Our labor together has not been in vain. With your help, 30 graduates have gone into the field in the past 4 years with another four due to go out at the end of this year. In the past nearly five years of our association with this school I have been able to speak at 17 congregations in four countries in SE Asia and many more in Australia and America. Chantelle has been able to complete two years of study at Four Seas, and has blossomed into a prolific writer as well as a wonderful teacher of ladies and children (or so I've heard).

May God bless you richly and always. Thank you once again for sacrificing for our family and allowing us to do this great work.

In Christian Love,  
Patrick Swayne

P.S. It is my intention for you to receive this before we go public with our decision next week. However, digital communication being what it is, if this reaches you after you hear our announcement, I'm sorry!

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**Ladies' Retreat**

**Calloway Gardens Lodge and Spa**

**November 4-6, 2016**

\$129 per person

## Prayer List

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

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

Beverly Hixon  
Ronnie Smith  
Kathleen Yates  
Tootsi Shepard  
Valdeese Brown  
James Francis  
JC Davidson  
Wayne Mullins  
Don Mimms  
Kathy Dennington  
Joe Graves

## 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

### 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.

**All Adults**  
(Auditorium)

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

#### Middle and High School Classes

Joshua, Judges, Ruth

### Wednesdays

#### Middle and High School

Apologetics

#### Adult Class

(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 September

- 9-10 Diana Singing
- 11 EDP Meeting
- 11 Guest speaker - Scott Tominey
- 12 Monday Night for the Master
- 17 Ice Cream Social (CG3)
- 18 Southside Youth Devotional (Shannon)
- 25 Lads to Leaders - "All Aboard"

### UPCOMING IN October

- 1 Perry Fair
- 9 EDP Meeting
- 10 Monday Night for the Master
- 15 Apple Orchard
- 16 Teachers' Meeting
- 29 Trunk or Treat
- 30 Family Day - Focus Weekend

## Mission Focus 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

### Pantry Packing

Stephanie Jenkins has been appointed by Anthony, deacon in charge of benevolence, to oversee maintenance of pantry needs. Current focus is on pasta and mac & cheese.