



PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Evelyn Brown – is now recovering at home after a stay in the hospital because of a respiratory infection.

Jim Fulmer – is suffering with blood pressure issues.

Wileen Crawford – LaVern's daughter, will be having another shoulder surgery on January 14th at 7:00 am at Piedmont Hospital. Please keep her in your prayers that this will begin to resolve her problem as she has battled with this pain since last July.

Ginger Born - Cyndy Corbin's sister-in-law, has taken a turn for the worse. Cyndy asks that we pray for peace and strength as the family shares these final days together on earth.

Roger DuPree - is ill and in need of prayers.

Those Responding...

Jamal Williams – requests prayers that he will be a better young Christian and stop being stubborn.

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.

Men's Retreat - January 22 - 24, 2016

Prepare for Raintree Pickup - January 27, 2016 (after Bible study)

Family Day - January 31, 2016

Raintree Village Pickup - February 1, 2016

Conyers Youth

Southside Youth Devotional

Middle Fayette
January 17, 2016

Sign up in the foyer. Bus departs at 4:00 pm

Youth J.A.M. Session

February 7, 2016

Plan to spend the afternoon with some of our outstanding teachers!
Great training for adults as well!
Bring \$3 for pizza.

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
Korey Dickens - Michael Yates
Anthony Dilligard - Jim Fulmer

Minister:

Jeff Johnson

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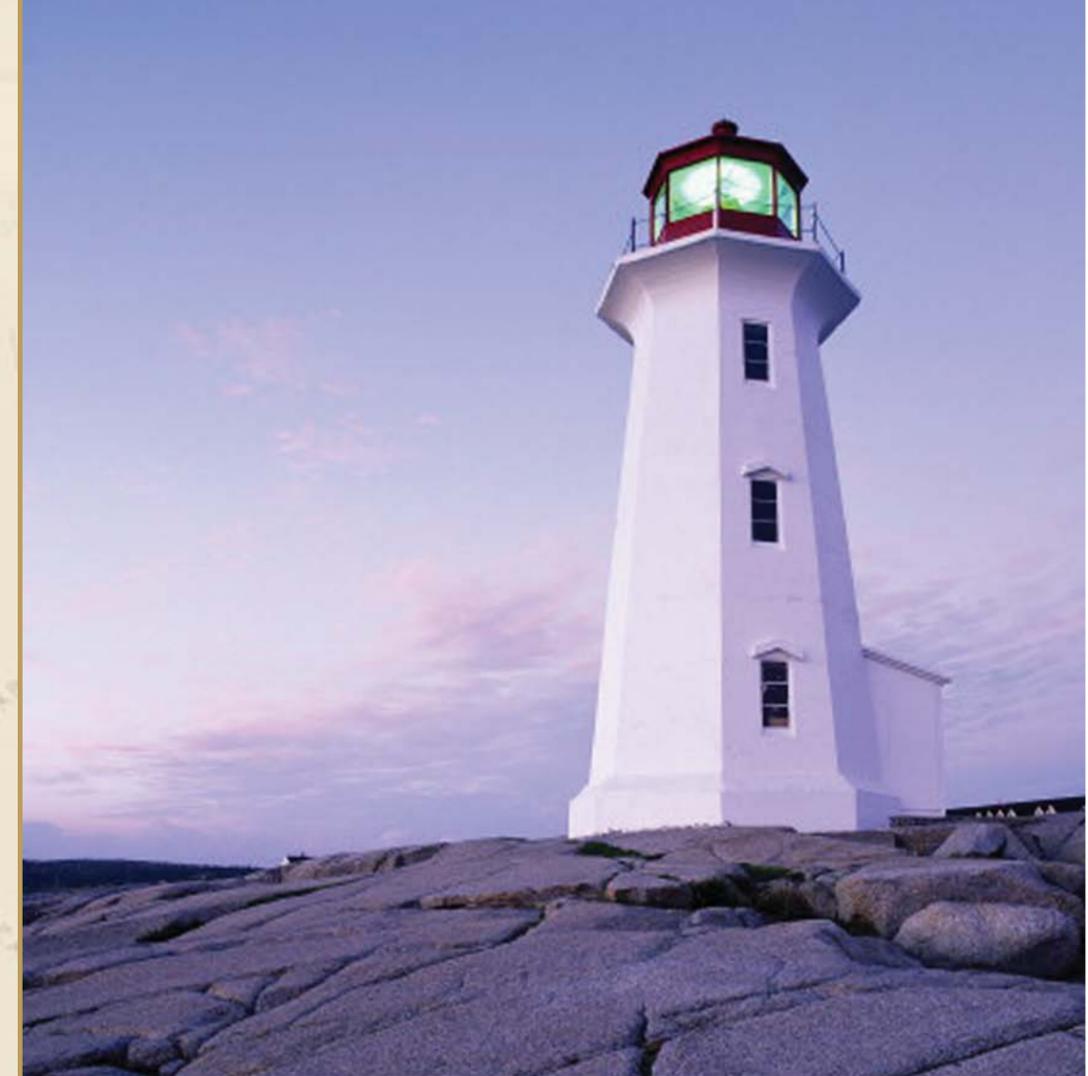
Sunday - January 17, 2016

	AM	PM
SONG DIRECTOR:	Caleb Johnson	Caleb Johnson
OPENING PRAYER:	Charles Mahan	Charles Mahan
LORD'S TABLE:	Josh Robinson - Roy Robinson Anthony Dilligard - Walter Norman	Roy Robinson
SCRIPTURE READING:	Tanner Tolleson Philippians 3:12-14	Jayce Lovern 2 Thessalonians 3:9-13
SERMON:	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Gordon Roddenberry	Gordon Roddenberry
CLOSING PRAYER:	Tyrone Holden	Don Graves
USHERS:	Korey Dickens Chris Lovern	Korey Dickens Chris Lovern
AUDIO:	Ross Mahan	Ross Mahan
COORDINATING DEACON:	Hines / DuPree / Dickens	Hines / DuPree / Dickens

Wednesday - January 20, 2015

USHER:	Buck Howell
WELCOME / PRAYER:	Don Graves
SONG LEADER:	Korey Dickens
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

Men's Retreat
January 22-24 2016
"The Lodge" on Lake
Oconee

*Where Will God
Lead Us?*

"Where Will God Lead Us?"

Sign Up on the Bulletin Board
Play a Part in
Planning for the future of the church at Conyers

Cost is \$120 * Two Nights at "The Lodge" on Lake Oconee
Breakfast Saturday and Sunday provided by "The Lodge"
Check Out Pictures on Our Website Under Men's Retreat



Over the Precipice

"Meet Lauren King, Preaching Intern At 4th Avenue Church of Christ," an online video, prompted much discussion over the past year. Lauren King provides background information on the clips of her first sermon preached at the Franklin, Tennessee congregation.

King entered Lipscomb University as a Communications major, but quickly transferred to the Bible Department to study Youth Ministry, serving three internships in this field. When she determined to shift her emphasis to Preaching, Lipscomb secured an internship for her under the direction of the 4th Avenue senior minister, Patrick Mead.

While there has been a growing use of women to preach by progressive congregations and institutions, the wide internet circulation of the Lauren King video was a flashpoint, exposing a fundamental rift among churches of Christ.

A Lesson from the Past

The Gospel Advocate maintains a policy of supporting unity in truth. We take no pleasure in division, but we are faced that some with whom we previously enjoyed fellowship have gone where we cannot go.

The same sad reality faced David Lipscomb in the late 1800s. As an editor of this journal, he addressed many controversial topics – notably the use of instrumental music in worship and higher critical theories of biblical interpretation. Lipscomb attempted to maintain unity for decades, but he was eventually forced to recognize the division was inevitable.

In 1892, the Disciples of Christ held a convention in Nashville, Tennessee (apparently choosing Lipscomb's hometown as a personal affront.) At this gathering, women were used prominently to preach.

For David Lipscomb, this marked the point of no return in dividing the church. As Robert Hooper records,

"...the total abandonment of the Bible to accept new positions for women in the church was theologically liberal to the core. This acceptance of a liberal position convinced him that he could no longer extend fellowship to the Christian church, a term that began to be used exclusively for the more progressive Disciples of Christ." (A Distinct People, p. 34)

The underlying issue was biblical authority. Lipscomb could charitably consider the earlier controversies as questions of interpretation. Brushing aside the clear teachings of Scripture, his former brethren had embraced a different religion – in this way leaving the fellowship they had once shared."

The Same Fork in the Road

In our own day, changes in worship are highlighting a change that has already occurred in the hearts of men and women. Worship defines a religion. Changes in worship are often the clearest sign of a fundamental shift from one religion to another.

Male spiritual leadership is a pattern designed by God for the ordering of the church, especially in worship. The prohibition against women leading in public teaching is direct, as we read in 1 Timothy 2:11-14:

Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. For Adam was formed first, then Eve; and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor.

The apostle Paul is clear. Women are not "to teach or to exercise authority over a man." They are not to do so because of the order in which God created Adam and Eve and because of how Adam and Eve fell into sin. Rooting these prohibitions in the truth of Creation, Paul shows they are valid for Christians in all places and all times. As long as human beings are descendants of Adam and Eve, the principle of male spiritual leadership is in place. 1 Corinthians 14:34-35 makes the same point:

The women should keep silent in the churches. For they are not permitted to speak, but should be in submission, as the Law also says. If there is anything they desire to learn, let them ask their husbands at home. For it is shameful for a woman to speak in church.

In rejecting the clear teaching of Scripture, those supporting women leading in worship have abandoned the shared view of biblical authority that formerly served as the basis of our fellowship.

The prohibition against women speaking in worship in no way lessens the shared responsibility all Christians have to engage in the work of the church. Women are precious to God and are a vital part of the Lord's work. It is demeaning to suggest women are second rate if they do not assume the positions of leadership reserved for men.

Gregory Tidwell
Editor: Gospel Advocate

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 | Ginger Born |
| CP & Joan Mathews | Dawn Robinson | Becky Waller |
| Al Adcock | Bernice Smith | Valdeese Brown |
| Jack & Francis Zorn | Evelyn Brown | James Francis |
| Martha Toney | Anne Clark | Victor Kilpatrick |
| Sharon Honoré | Dollie Graves | John Jansen |
| Jake Born | Thelma Chambers | JC Davidson |
| 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 | |

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

- 17 Teachers' Meeting
- 17 Southside Youth Devotional - Middle Fayette

22-24 Men's Retreat

31 Family Day

UPCOMING IN February

1 Raintree Village Pickup

7 Super Bowl Pary - Care Group 1

7 Lads to Leaders - Round Tuit

13 Sweetheart Banquet

14 Valentine's Party - Pathfinders

14 EDP Meeting

15 Monday Night for the Master

21 Southside Youth Devotional

27 Teachers' Appreciation Banquet

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.