

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**Preston Vaughn** - Tiffany Vaughn's baby boy, is having surgery this coming Friday at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Keep him and his family in your prayers.

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**Summer Series** (Jeff Johnson) - August 3, 2016  
Topic is "Families Need Time", Genesis 18, 21.

**Fishers of Men Graduation Banquet** - August 4, 2016

**Men's Dinner** - August 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm

**Care Group 1** - August 6, 2016 at 3:00 pm  
Fellowship meeting at the Haynes' home. Address is on the board in the foyer as well as on our website. Please RSVP to Bruce or Mae by August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Elders', Deacons', Preachers' Meeting** - August 7, 2016 at 4:00 pm

**Monday Night For the Master** - August 8, 2016 at 7:00 pm

**Summer Series** (Steve Vice) - August 10, 2016  
Topic is "Signs for a Spouse", Genesis 21.

*Conyers Youth*

**Southside Youth Devotional**

(Fayetteville)

August 21, 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  
Gordon Roddenberry

**Deacons:**

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

**Minister:**

Jeff Johnson

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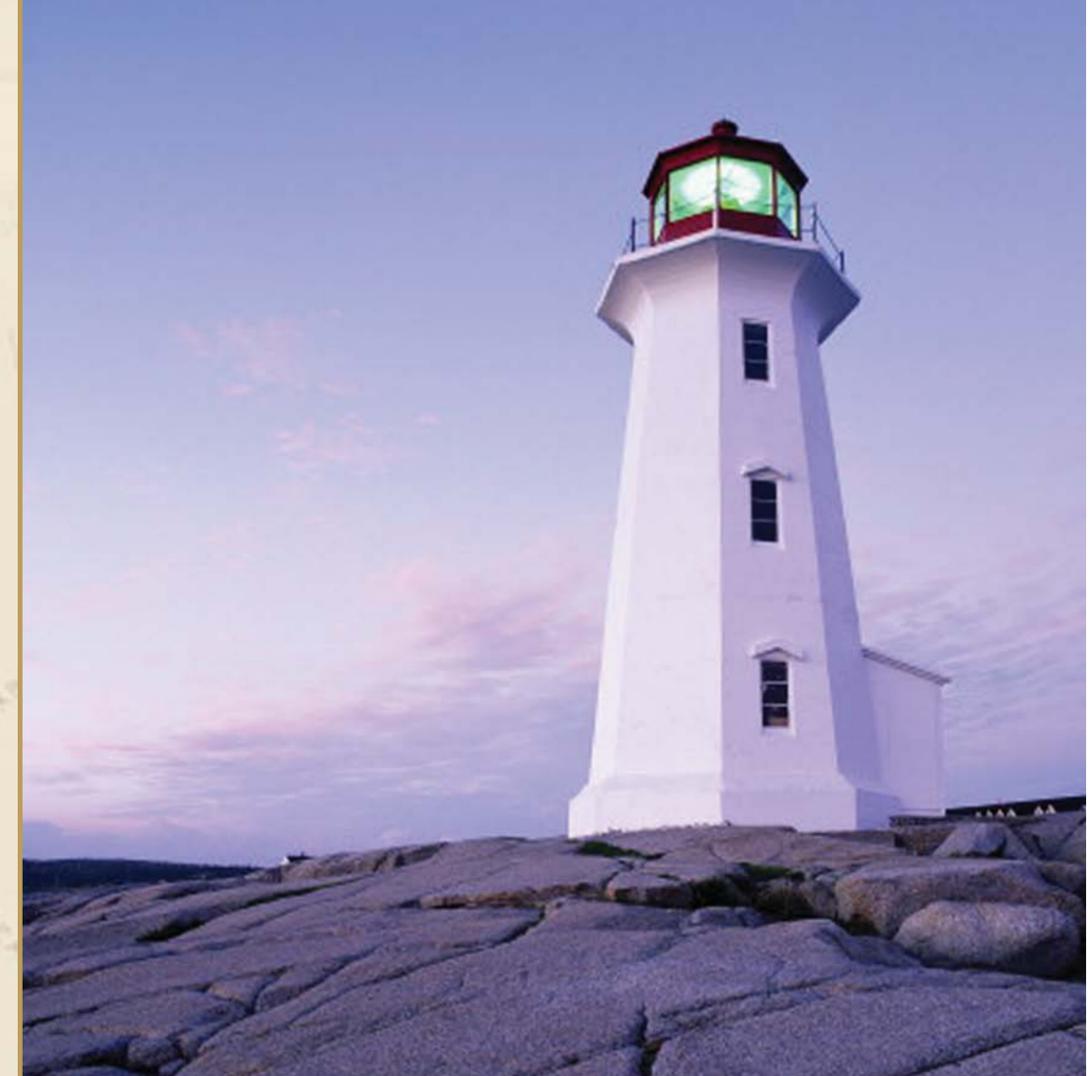
**Sunday - August 7, 2016**

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>SONG DIRECTOR:</b>	Anthony Dilligard	Anthony Dilligard
<b>OPENING PRAYER:</b>	Bruce Haynes	Milford Segura
<b>LORD'S TABLE:</b>	Tyler Mahan - Lance Holmes Greg Holmes - Josh Robinson	Greg Holmes
<b>SCRIPTURE READING:</b>	Dion Williams Deuteronomy 30:15-16	Landon Lovern Romans 5:6-8
<b>SERMON:</b>	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS:</b>	Gordon Roddenberry	Gordon Roddenberry
<b>CLOSING PRAYER:</b>	Kirk Mahan	Don Graves
<b>USHERS:</b>	Walter Norman Chris Lovern	Walter Norman Chris Lovern
<b>AUDIO:</b>	Ross Mahan	Ross Mahan

**Wednesday - August 10, 2016**

<b>USHER:</b>	Chris Lovern
<b>WELCOME / PRAYER:</b>	Milford Segura
<b>SONG LEADER:</b>	Anthony Dilligard
<b>DEVOTIONAL:</b>	Steve Vice
<b>AUDIO:</b>	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



## Time Travel

For this writer it is fun to go back to places I remember from my childhood. This year I had the pleasure of going to my place of birth, Eufaula, Alabama. While touring the places by street name, things surely did not appear the same. Finding some points of interest was impossible because the buildings like the old town mill was gone. Being so taken aback by the changes, I looked where my Aunt Alice lived and saw nothing but a thicket of trees. I drove past and traveled a few miles down the road looking for other structures I remembered. I saw that those reminding were in poor condition, satisfied my curiosity and returned. When I returned I saw something I missed before. From a different angle I could see my Aunt Alice's old house behind the thicket of trees and someone has restored the house and is living there, in a quiet spot behind the trees. It is odd how we can make quick assumptions about anything and then when we carefully look, we can see the jewel hidden within. It really boils down to how important something happens to be to us. When something is important we will give the effort to examine different angles to insure we see whole picture.

Paul declared to the church at Ephesus, "For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27). All too often we take God's word and make a quick pass assuming that we know all we need but we have failed to look at all the angles. When we do this, we miss the "whole counsel of God." I heard it said that when we study a particular passage we should read the verse before and the verse after. That is a good idea, but with things that are important should we not read the entire chapter, the one before and the one after if not the entire book? God's word is pointing us toward Heaven. This means the map should be the most important thing we study and consider. One can earn mounds of money and hold the deed to all the earth, but it all belongs to God. The things on this earth He created with a shelf life. This earth was only meant to be a place in which man could decide where his love and devotion would be directed. Would man love himself and give in to the plagues of Satan or would man love God and enjoy freedom for eternity in Heaven?

Man loves himself when he has little time for God. Little time spent in the pages of God's word will cause us to miss the jewels He has placed for us there. Satan's message is that the old Book we call the Bible is for generations past who were out of touch with the relevant issues of the living today. We find a warning by example, "And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel" (Judges 2:10). This message is like a thicket of trees blocking our view of the peace that comes from living simply, God's way.

Jesus often taught in parables and would then say, "...he that has ears let him hear..." (Luke 8:8). Our God does not hide truth from us but gives it to us in a way that measures our priorities. "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). Notice that God rewards those who diligently seek Him. In order to diligently seek Him, we must give Him time. Some give Him time as a disciplined race to read a portion of His word to reach the goal of having read through the Bible in a year. This is a great goal, reading through His word every year. This alone, however, could cause us to speed past important. In addition, we need to contemplate portions of His word. When we look carefully at God's word we can find the jewels that are in plain sight. Luke records for us at chapter eight and verse nine a question asked by those who heard Christ's parable, "...what might this parable be?" Jesus explained in such a way that could not be misunderstood. When we look diligently at God's word we can find the answers we seek but quick careless assumptions can lead us astray. This is the reason there is so much division religiously speaking. When we travel back in time we can see that some, with the best of intentions, have missed a point and made an assumption.

One might ask me, how did you miss an entire house, small or not just behind some trees? The problem was that I made an assumption based on what I saw in a glance. If I had told everyone else in my family that house was gone, no one would have questioned me because they would have trusted my view. I might ask a similar question. How did you conclude that a prayer called, "The Sinner's Prayer" would save when it is not found in God's Word? Could it have been that a Bible student made an assumption before studying all of what Jesus had to say about salvation? This mistake must have been made by someone who was trusted. This error has mislead generations and the tradition is now stronger than truth for many.

It is time we travel back to the roots we find in God's word and let Him lead us to salvation. Take some time in God's word today, you will be blessed for it.

## Giving Honor Where Honor is Due Thank you, Jim for more than 25 years of service



## 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

Rajah Sinclair  
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**  
**Summer Series**  
(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 August

- 3 Summer Series (Jeff Johnson)
- 4 Fishers of Men Graduation Banquet
- 5 Men's Dinner
- 6 Care Group 1 Fellowship Meeting
- 7 EDP Meeting
- 8 Monday Night for the Master
- 10 Summer Series (Steve Vice)
- 17 Summer Series (Chad Dollahite)
- 21 Southside Youth Devotional (Fayetteville)
- 26 Congregational Fellowship - Fish Fry (Hosted by CGs 1 & 2)

### UPCOMING IN September

- 3 Fall Clean-up
- 4 Congregational Singing
- 4 Annual Varsity Run
- 9-10 Diana Singing
- 11 EDP Meeting

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

### Pantry Packing

For the third quarter of 2016, fill the pantry with canned goods. Let's try all kinds of canned tomatoes for the next couple of weeks. Place in the container in the foyer.