

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Robert Medlock – Pam Medlock-Smith's son in Korea recently had back surgery and is now recovering. Keep him in your prayers.

Linda Garner – Gayle Allen's cousin, will be having open heart surgery. Please pray for a successful.

Fall Clean-up
The fall clean-up has been postponed.

Varsity Run - September 4, 2016

Congregational Singing - September 4, 2016 (evening services)

Secret Sister 2016 - If interested in participating this year, see Dawn Robinson for Secret Sister forms. Return completed forms to Dawn by September 7.

Diana Singing - September 9-10, 2016
Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

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

Conyers Youth

Southside Youth Devotional

(Shannon)

September 18, 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 - Kirk Mahan
Michael Yates - Tyrone Holden
Korey Dickens
Anthony Dilligard - Jim Fulmer
Bernard Austin - Bruce Haynes

Minister:

Jeff Johnson

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Those to Serve

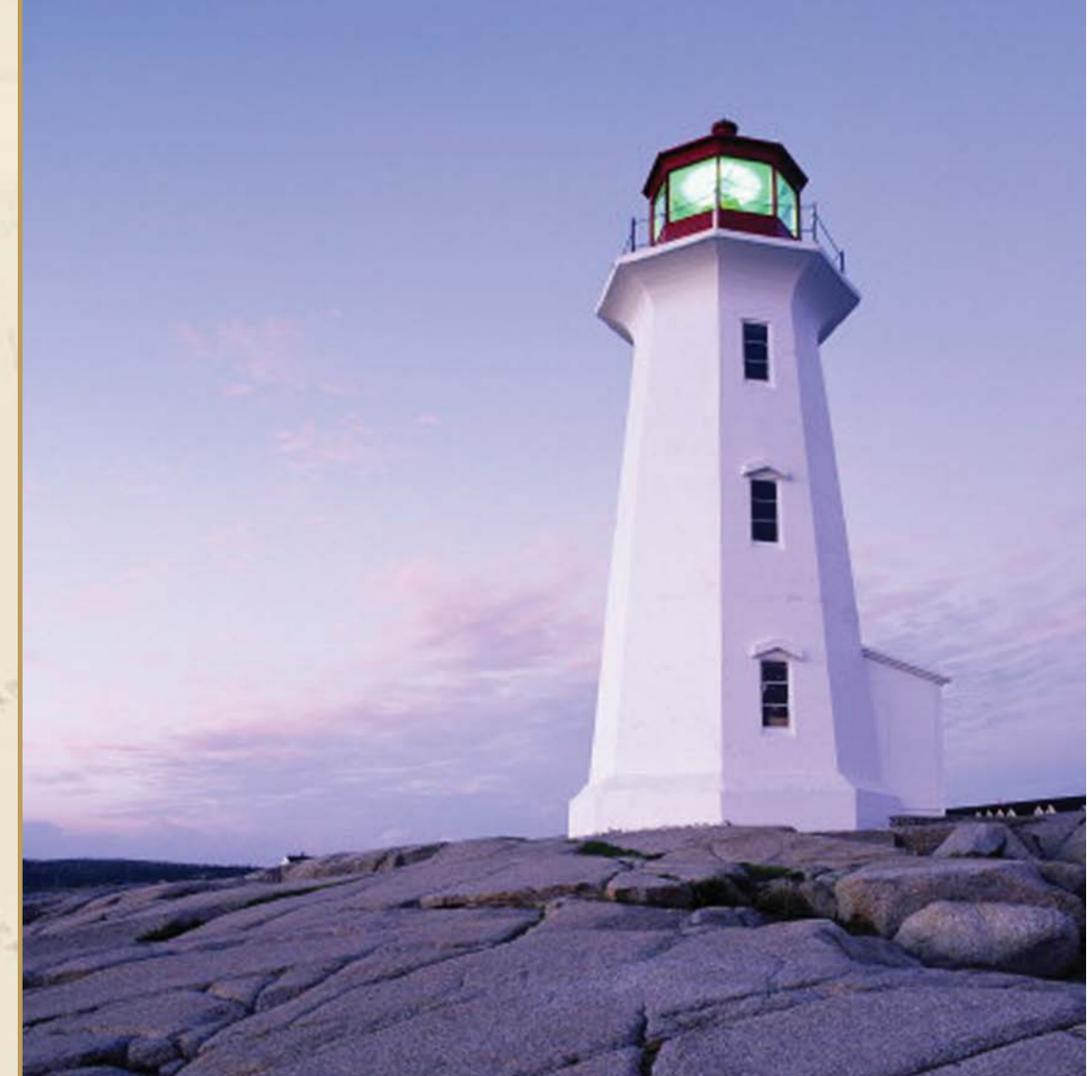
Sunday - September 4, 2016

	AM	PM
SONG DIRECTOR:	Caleb Johnson	Caleb Johnson
OPENING PRAYER:	Bernard Austin	Glen Hildebrandt
LORD'S TABLE:	Walker Howell - Garland Benefield Roy Robinson - Tyler Mahan	Roy Robinson
SCRIPTURE READING:	Noah Corbin 1 John 5:19-21	Christian Saunders Titus 2:6-10
SERMON:	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Jim Fulmer	Jim Fulmer
CLOSING PRAYER:	Raoul Saunders	Charles Mahan
USHERS:	Chris Lovern Tony Ferguson	Chris Lovern Tony Ferguson
AUDIO:	Ross Mahan	Ross Mahan

Wednesday - September 7, 2016

USHER:	Tony Ferguson
WELCOME / PRAYER:	Glen Hildebrandt
SONG LEADER:	Walter Norman
DEVOTIONAL:	Don Graves
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

“ For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish but have ever lasting life.”

John 3:16



Why the Minimum

Is it not puzzling that we have the idea that we should treat God as if He is a Fire Insurance broker. Consider the insurance man for a moment. We find insurance a necessary nuisance. We pay month after month, year after year and hope that life is not interrupted. We complain about the cost, we complain about the big buildings and huge capital holdings they have. Each year we call for the agent to review our accounts to make sure we have every discount possible. We only want to pay our minimum amount due. Then the unthinkable happens. The house catches fire.

All our worldly goods are severely damaged or destroyed. We look at the devastation and memories flood back. The voices, the laughter, the tears ring in our heads as we look at charred pictures. Why did this have to happen to me? Who is to blame, but does blaming help? It's done, a lifetime of possessions gone. The thought of starting over brings intense pain. When someone says, "It's just things, at least you have your life.", you try to smile but it doesn't help. You know that people are more important than things but so many memories of the people you love are attached to the smoldering pile of rubble.

How would we behave if we knew that everyone would suffer a house fire in their lifetime? What if we knew that this would occur at some point we just didn't know when? Perhaps we would look at the insurance man differently. If we knew beyond a shadow of a doubt we would need him, we might have a different mental picture of the bills that fund those capital holdings. Would we be so concerned about getting the maximum discount so we would only pay the minimum amount? Perhaps we would realize that when we cut corners and don't pay attention to our policies we will be found in want when the inevitable strikes. Perhaps we would splurge to get the policy with the greatest coverage because we see the current sacrifice will pay off in the end. Even if we knew that we would all suffer a house fire, there is a likely hood that many if not most would ignore the knowledge and any warnings, choosing to spend their money on other things. These same will be crying out in need when tragedy strikes. We understand the physical story and wag our heads at the unprepared.

There is something coming for you and I. "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:" (Hebrews 9:27). Even with this knowledge we all too often look at God's word for discounts. What can I get away with and still enter the Kingdom of Heaven? We use the study of men to excuse those things that we desire. Changes in worship because "God didn't say we couldn't" and He accepted things in the past. If that reasoning fits then we must bring animal sacrifices to worship because He accepted them in the past. Of course we know that reasoning brings a hodgepodge of confusion yet we still want what we can get out of worship for ourselves. Is this short term view wise in the face of eternity looming ahead where we know not?

It is true that time is a resource we cannot regain. How do we invest it? Are we trying to pay the minimum time? Understand that God does not need our time, we need His. Our time resource is limited and yet God's is without end. Why would I just invest the minimum amount of time in a worship service I choose and expect God to be "happy I was there."? Many treat the preacher and elders this way. "They should be happy I was there."

Would you say to God, "You should just be happy I'm here."? In as much as we are important to God, we must realize our condition and place. Sin is the spark that sends us down the road to Hell for eternity. God gives us the ability to be insured against such a tragedy. His assets are innumerable. We could invest every moment of our time and every penny we earn and still be unable to make a payment on the reward of Heaven. God, knowing this, sent His son to pay the price for you and I. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish but have ever lasting life" (John 3:16).

Since God is in charge of Heaven and eternity is time without end, why would we only invest the minimum? Why not give God your heart and all your investments will follow? "We love Him because He first loved us" (1 John 4:19).

Jeff Johnson

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

- 4 Congregational Singing
- 4 Annual Varsity Run
- 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)

UPCOMING IN October

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

Mission Focus 3rd 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.