

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Dawn Robinson - ihad medical tests on Tuesday. Keep her in your prayers for good news.

Bernadette Marion - recently had three MRI's done as a result to injuries suffered in a recent auto accident that she and her husband, Jesse, were involved in. She had MRI's of her neck, back, and knee on Monday. Keeper in yourprayers for a good report and speedy recovery. Keep Jesse in your prayers, also. In addition to the accident, he is fighting cancer.

Halo Fernandez - Jeff Johnson's cousin's husband, had a heart attack while hiking in North Carolina. Keep them in your prayers.

Those Responding...

Nima Fikes (06/18/2017) - requests prayers for her son who is struggling in his fight against cancer. She also requests prayers for Pat Donald, a relative of her daughter's, who is ill.

Preparation for Camp Inagehi

To ensure that our campers are adequately hydrated during camp week, we need your help. From now until camp begins, please help us stock-pile water by donating cases of bottled Purified Water.

Vacation Bible School - June 19-23, 2017

Please bring cookies and Kool-Aid for snacks each night. Please do not bring cookies that contain peanuts or peanut butter.

Summer Series - June 28, 2017

Our summer series entitled Questions for God begins with our speaker, Chad Dolihite from Bremen. His topic is "Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?". Be sure to be here to find the answer.

Conyers Youth

Six Flags (Church of Christ Day) - June 23, 2017

Southside Youth Devotional (Middle Fayette) - June 25, 2017

Lock-in (Middle and High School) - July 2, 2017 (after evening service)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

BIBLE SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
SUNDAY 9:30AM

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY 10:30AM

EVENING WORSHIP
SUNDAY 5PM

LADIES BIBLE CLASS
TUESDAY 10AM SEPT.-MAY

WEDNESDAY EVENING
BIBLE STUDY 7PM

Elders:

Daron Cheney
Greg Holmes
Gordon Roddenberry

Deacons:

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

Minister:

Jeff Johnson

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Those to Serve

Sunday - June 25, 2017

	AM	PM
SONG DIRECTOR:	Bernard Austin	Bernard Austin
OPENING PRAYER:	Bruce Haynes	Garland Benefield
LORD'S TABLE:	Brandon Medley - Tyrone Holden Carlos Watts - Tony Ferguson	Carlos Watts
SCRIPTURE READING:	Noah Corbin Ephesians 5:15-17	Kade Lovern Luke 4:5-8
SERMON:	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Matt Carter	Matt Carter
CLOSING PRAYER:	Raoul Saunders	Don Graves
USHERS:	Buck Howell Michael Yates	Buck Howell Michael Yates
AUDIO:	Austin Massey	Austin Massey

Wednesday - June 28, 2017

USHER:	Michael Yates
WELCOME / PRAYER:	Milford Segura
SONG LEADER:	Bernard Austin
DEVOTIONAL:	Charles Mahan
AUDIO:	Austin Massey

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

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Nobody Can Make Me!

That was the cry of the four-year old while a battle over eating broccoli ensued. As parents, we know that it is important that our children eat their veggies. It may be true that ice cream, cake, or French fries are tastier but we know we can't survive in a healthy way without nutritional items in our diets. Still the four-year-old pinches his mouth closed when the spoon comes with one of those "vile weeds" and when it goes down in desperation, he declares, "Nobody can make me." The switch, spoon or paddle may be waved and even used but the human spirit is much to be reckoned with in refusal.

As we peruse the pages of the Holy Writ we find examples recorded about the children of Israel with a rebellious spirit.

But they would not listen. Instead they became obstinate like their ancestors who did not believe the Lord their God. They rejected His statutes and His covenant He had made with their ancestors and the decrees He had given them. They pursued worthless idols and became worthless themselves, following the surrounding nations the Lord had commanded them not to imitate. They abandoned all the commands of the Lord their God. They made cast images for themselves, two calves, and an Asherah pole. They worshiped the whole heavenly host and served Baal. (2 Kings 17:14-16- HCSB)

Looking back through the pages of time we clearly understand that blessings would have been abundant beyond our imaginations had they believed God and obeyed Him. Just as the physical body is blessed when a child obeys their parent in diet, humans find themselves blessed when they obey God. However, God gave us full authority to choose. This means the truth is nobody can make us.

Often children will hide candy or snacks in secret places. The plan is when no one is looking I'll have what I want. The plan was similar for the children of Israel and is often the same for us. We think that God will not notice if we live or behave in ways unseemly for those called Christians. THEN, should another remind us that we would be blessed following God over ourselves we shout, "Nobody can make me!"

The fundamental problem at this point is that God does notice. "The Lord also said to Moses: "I have seen this people, and they are indeed a stiff-necked people" (Exodus 32:9). "Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!" (Psalm 139:7-8). The next tier of this problem is that it is true, "Nobody can make me" do anything. God gives us freewill to choose the direction of our lives. Therefore, we can know what is best for us on earth and for eternity and still ignore the truth.

In the same manner that a child would love a complete diet of ice cream, French fries and chocolate cake, the adult will desire a lifestyle of wealth, power and immorality. We know that diets that include healthy portions of meat and vegetables are good for the body. We know that a life of honest work, scriptural marriage and obedience to God are good for the soul. Why is it then, that we decide otherwise?

When we clamor, "Nobody can make me!", we appear to be saying, "I do not believe the consequences will come to me." This is nothing new. "You believe that there is one God; you do well: the devils also believe, and tremble" (James 2:19). Apparently, the devils do not believe in the consequences of disobedience to God, do you? The devils take full advantage of nobody being able to make them do anything. All the while the Father of Lies cackles a haunting laugh.

When our rebellious spirit marches forth with individualism, it is not individualism at all. "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Matthew 6:24). We have not really chosen ourselves but Satan when we do not choose God's path. So, you are right. Nobody can make you do anything but be not deceived my friend consequences and rewards hinge on our decision.

Jeff Johnson

Prayer List

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|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Ruby Harrell | Jacqueline Anderson | Beverly Hixon |
| Clint Cooper | Lowell Strock | Ronnie Smith |
| Jan Coulon | Linda Guill | Kathleen Yates |
| Olen Lewis | Dawn Robinson | Tootsi Shepard |
| Irene Mapp | Bernice Smith | Valdeese Brown |
| Faye Brown | Evelyn Brown | James Francis |
| Al Adcock | Anne Clark | JC Davidson |
| Jack & Francis Zorn | Thelma Chambers | Wayne Mullins |
| Martha Toney | JoAnn Turner | Kathy Dennington |
| Jake Born | Tom Holland | Joe Graves |
| Wileen Crawford | Shirley Johnson | Bernadine Senegal |
| Carl Segura | Jeff Fikes | |
| Dollie Graves | Roma DuPree | |
| Alzona Freeman | | |

And Remember Those in Nursing Homes

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| Charlotte Fulks | Charles Fikes | Ceci Mullins |
| Charles Burks | Emma Baker | Andrew Anderson |
| Buddy Allen | | |

**Bulletin Board
Area-wide Events**

Mission:Possible
Summer Series
Lithia Springs church of Christ
Tuesday Evenings
June 6 - August 29, 2017
(see bulletin board for weekly topics)

Adventures in Ministry (AIM) Conference
Sponsored by Faulkner University
Guest Speakers: Lonnie Jones, Drake Jenkins,
Andrew Itson
July 21-23, 2017
Registration: May 1 - July 1, 2017

Ladies' Day
Lithia Springs Church of Christ
Speaker: Cindy Colley
August 12, 2017
Registration: May 1 - July 1, 2017

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 June**
- 19-23 Vacation Bible School
 - 23 Six Flags (Church of Christ Day)
 - 25 Southside Youth Devotional - Middle Fayette
 - 28 Summer Series (Brad Dollihite)
- UPCOMING IN July**
- 2 EDP Meeting
 - 4 Congregational Picnic
 - 5 Summer Series
 - 9-14 Camp Inagehi
 - 16 Bridal Shower for Autumn Pulliam
 - 12 Summer Series
 - 19 Summer Series (William Howard)
 - 26 Summer Series (Stacy Grant)
 - 30 Family Day

**Pantry
Supplies**

- Canned Vegetables
- Paper Products