

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Upcoming in October

- 10 Ladies' Class
- 15 Teachers' Meeting
- 17 Ladies' Class
- 21 Apple Orchard
- 22 L2L Classes
- 24 Ladies' Class
- 28 Trunk or Treat
- 29 Homecoming
- 31 Ladies' Class

### Upcoming in November

- 12 EDP Meeting

## YOUR SPACE LET US HEAR FROM YOU

PLEASE PLACE PRAYER REQUESTS IN THE OFFERING PLATE

## PRAYER LIST

Al Adcock  
 Buddy Allen  
 Jacqueline Anderson  
 Andrew Anderson  
 Emma Baker  
 Jake Born  
 Faye Brown  
 Evelyn Brown  
 Valdeese Brown  
 Charles Burks  
 Thelma Chambers  
 Anne Clark  
 Clint Cooper  
 Jan Coulon  
 Wileen Crawford  
 JC Davidson  
 Kathy Dennington  
 Roma Dupree  
 Jeff Fikes  
 Charles Fikes  
 James Francis  
 Alzona Freeman  
 Charlotte Fulks  
 Dollie Graves  
 Joe Graves  
 Linda Guill  
 Ruby Harrell  
 Beverly Hixon  
 Tom Holland  
 Shirley Johnson  
 Olen Lewis  
 Charles Mahan  
 Irene Mapp  
 Wayne Mullins  
 Ceci Mullins  
 Dawn Robinson  
 Carl Segura  
 Bernadine Senegal  
 Tootsi Shepard  
 Bernice Smith  
 Ronnie Smith  
 Lowel Stock  
 JoAnn Turner  
 Doris Upton  
 Kathleen Yates  
 Jack Zorn

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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 BIBLE STUDY  
 7PM

CONYERS CHURCH OF CHRIST  
 1410 FLAT SHOALS ROAD  
 CONYERS, GEORGIA 30013

## LEADING OUR WORSHIP

Sunday, October 15, 2017

AM

**SONG DIRECTOR** Bernard Austin  
**OPENING PRAYER** Garland Benefield  
**LORD'S TABLE** Chris Lovern - Glenn Hildebrandt  
 Michael Yates - Jim West  
**SCRIPTURE READING** Simon Jenkins  
 James 1:22-25  
**SERMON** Jeff Johnson  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Greg Holmes  
**CLOSING PRAYER** Rex Morris  
**USHER1** Buck Howell  
**USHER2** Jeremy Price  
**AUDIO** David Holbrook

PM

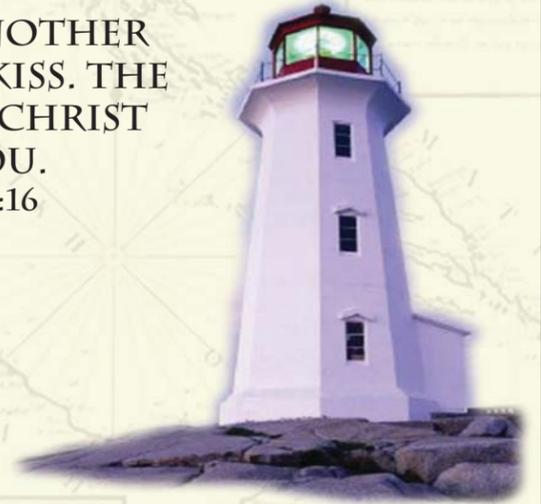
Bernard Austin  
 Roger DuPree  
 Michael Yates  
 Christian Saunders  
 Matthew 7:24-25  
 Jeff Johnson  
 Greg Holmes  
 Daron Cheney  
 Buck Howell  
 Jeremy Price  
 David Holbrook

Wednesday October 18, 2017

**USHER** Jeremy Price  
**WELCOME / PRAYER** Milford Segura  
**SONG LEADER** Bernard Austin  
**DEVOTIONAL** Chad Martin  
**AUDIO** David Holbrook

## THE CONYERS BEACON

SALUTE ONE ANOTHER WITH AN HOLY KISS. THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST SALUTE YOU.  
 ROMANS 16:16



A LOCAL CHURCH WITH A GLOBAL MISSION

“Listen to counsel and receive instruction, That you may be wise in your latter days. There are many plans in a man’s heart, Nevertheless the Lord’s counsel—that will stand.”

*Proverbs 19:20-21*

### VISION!

At The Conyers church of Christ  
 We want to go to heaven!  
 We will get there by:  
 Obeying the Gospel call;  
 Worshiping in a Scriptural Manner;  
 Evangelizing our world;  
 and Helping our members grow as Christians

# BEAMS



## And the Rains Came (And the House Went Splat!)

We teach the children a simple song we call "The Wise Man". This wise man builds his house on a rock as opposed to the foolish man who builds his house on the sand. The wise man's house stands firm while the foolish man's house goes, "SPLAT!"

The year 2017 should really bring these principles to mind because of all the hurricane activity of the fall. Many, for the first time have taken heed to the warnings and boarded up their homes running to the north for cover. Physically, this is so easy to understand because no one really desires to be in harm's way. Those who do dare to stay despite warnings are gambling on the storm not being as bad as predicted. If we look closely though we see some who are just too lazy to leave while others dare to "go down with the ship." Why is it that even when we know a storm is coming, we will gamble that the worst will not happen to us? It seems we should not be surprised because many of the problems we encounter in life are self-inflicted because we build our houses on the sand.

One of those self-inflicted wounds is a gradual deadening of the nerves. This happens when we neglect the worship of our God. Sometimes we will excuse our absence with a quick devotional or even compromising to worship with others in a way not seen in the pages of the Bible. Absence from worship is suicide for the soul and this does not only affect the absentee. "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Hebrews 10:24-25). We are not taking our rightful place to encourage others when we are absent from worship. Willful absence is willfully hurting another. "And the house went SPLAT!"

Another self-inflicted wound is immodest clothing. At sometime that ol' liar the Devil told us that we are not sexual beings. Therefore, the clothes we wear, or the absence thereof, should never have any impact on another. If it has impact on you then you must be some kind of pervert. Jesus seemed to understand that we are created as sexual beings and even in a day when clothing worn would be described as dresses for all, Jesus said. "Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart" (Matthew 5:27-28). "And the house went SPLAT!"

In this short study we can only consider one more pile of sand. Social drinking. The Devil says the "Most Interesting Man" in the world drinks alcohol. If that is true, why do we not know his name? The only positive thing that comes from social drinking is the positive balance in the bank accounts of those who sell alcohol. Nothing good ever comes from a relaxing drink because the Devil has lied again. Alcohol numbs the body into thinking it feels better but in fact there are at least 23 well known negative effects on the body from the first drink according to the American Medical Association. However, since money talks, we don't see these widely advertised. Paul includes alcohol's use in a list of problematic behaviors. "Envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Galatians 5:21). "And the house went SPLAT!"

Nobody wants to live in the house that went "SPLAT!" Let's stop fooling ourselves into believing the tragedy will not happen to us. Let's get off the sand and start building on the rock.

Next week we will identify the rock so we will know where to build. God bless and see you Sunday.

Jeff Johnson

## FACE 2 FACE

### PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Charles Mahan** – continue to keep him in your prayers. He is now at the Dunn's home recovering.

**Timothy Stephens** - open heart surgery has been postponed for a later date. Keep him in your prayers.

**Jerry Guill** – had foot surgery on October 9th, at Rockdale. Keep him in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

**The Young Family** - Johnathan Young's aunt who passed away on Monday. Keep the family in your prayers for comfort during this difficult time.

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### Announcements and Activities

**Ladies Only Fall Festival and Devotional** (Oak Hill) – October 14, 2017 - 3:00 pm Devotional begins at 5:30 pm, with Emily Knighton speaking, immediately followed by dinner and dessert.

**Apple Orchard** - October 21, 2017  
Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

**Lads Classes**- October 22, 2017  
We will meet between services for training classes after enjoying a pizza lunch together.

**Trunk or Treat** - October 28, 2017  
See Ronita Cooper for details.

**All-Members Homecoming** (formerly known as Family Day) – October 29, 2017  
Our visiting speaker is Butch Jones! More information to follow.

## OUR YOUTH

### Lads to Leaders Training Begins

October 22, 2017

## PANTRY NEEDS

### Canned Soups

## AREA ACTIVITIES

**GSOP Fall Courses**  
Fayetteville church of Christ

New Testament Greek Language  
August 28 - December 4, 2017

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**Ladies' Day**  
**Buford church of Christ**  
November 4, 2017

**Will Your Anchor Hold?**  
"Remaining Faithful While Weathering  
the Storms of Life"

Guest Speaker: Kathy Pollard

**RSVP by October 29<sup>th</sup> at**  
**www.bufordcoc.com**

Sessions: 9:15 am  
Noon: Lunch

**ThanksSinging**  
November 19, 2017

**Fayetteville church of Christ**  
2:00 pm

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**Marriage & Relationship  
Enrichment Weekend**  
**Fayetteville church of Christ**  
December 1-2, 2017

**Will Your Anchor Hold?**  
"Remaining Faithful While Weathering  
the Storms of Life"

Guest Speaker: Melvin Otey

**RSVP by 11/22/2017 at**  
**mail@fcoc.com**  
**or 770-461-3617**

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Great Smoky Mountain  
**Marriage Retreat**  
A Great Marriage in 20 Words

**Sponsored by:**  
**Jacksonville church of Christ**

February 14-18, 2018

Guest Speakers:  
B.J. Clarke  
Melvin Otey  
Dan Winkler

Cost: \$50 per couple  
Early Bird: \$40 per couple

**RSVP by 01/15/2018 at**  
**www.smokymountainmarriage.com**

See flyer on board for schedule of classes and  
lodging information

## OUR LEADERSHIP

### Elders

Daron CHeney  
Greg Holmes  
Gordon Roddenberry

### Deacons

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

### Evangelist

Jeff Johnson