

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Tom Holland** - well-reknoned Gospel preacher in Nashville, TN, has been hospitalized with cardiac problems. He is in Centennial Hospital in Nashville.  
**Linda Sells** - Stepahnie Johnson's step-mother, has been admitted to Northside Hospital in preparation for surgery on Thursday. Keep that family in your prayers.  
 Peggy Thomason - Nima Fikes' sister-in-law, suffers from alzheimers and has been placed in hospice care. Please keep her husband, Elvoy Thomason, and family in your prayers.

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**Fishers of Men Class** - begins April 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm  
 If you want to improve your ability to teach someone the Gospel, please sign up in the foyer. If you've taken the class before and would like a refresh, sign up.  
**Lads to Leaders Banquet** - April 9, 2016 at 6:00 pm  
 Come celebrate with our Lads to Leaders participants as well as volunteer to participant next year. We will begin right away on the year-round components. We are preparing early for next year's convention and need all youth who want to participate to sign up at the banquet for L2L 2017. We also need volunteers to sign up to be mentors and/or oversee various categories.

**Congratulations!**

To our Lads to Leaders participants...



...for a job well done!

*Conyers Youth*

**Southside Youth Devotional**

(Conyers)

April 17, 2016

For more information, see Tyrone Holden or Michael Yates

**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  
 Kirk Mahan - Tyrone Holden  
 Korey Dickens - Michael Yates  
 Anthony Dilligard - Jim Fulmer

**Minister:**

Jeff Johnson

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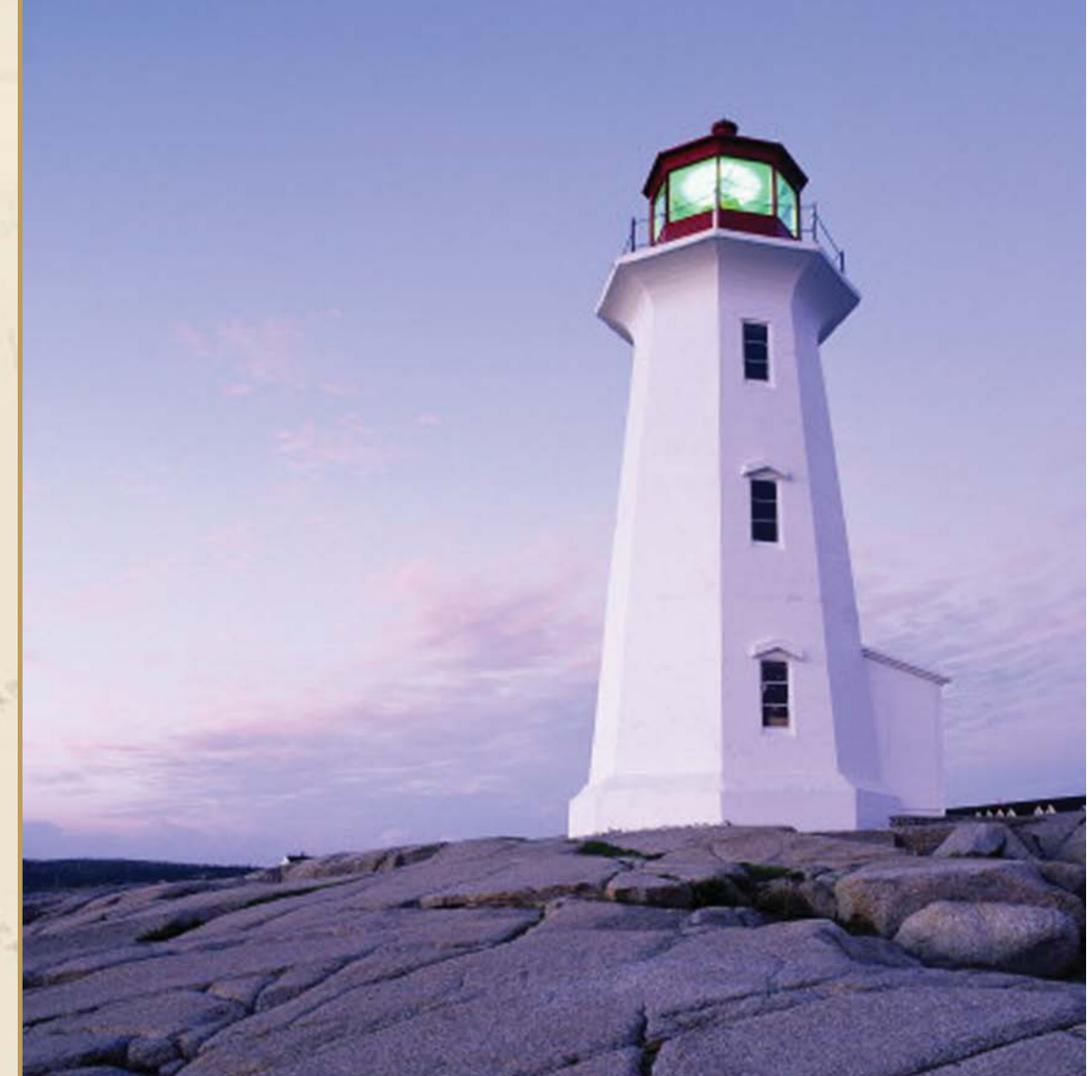
**Sunday - April 3, 2016**

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>SONG DIRECTOR:</b>	Caleb Johnson	Caleb Johnson
<b>OPENING PRAYER:</b>	Greg Holmes	Bruce Haynes
<b>LORD'S TABLE:</b>	Michael Yates - Roy Robinson Tyrone Holden - Ross Mahan	Tyrone Holden
<b>SCRIPTURE READING:</b>	Jayce Lovern Isaiah 43:1-5	Garrett Yates 2 Kings 23:1-3
<b>SERMON:</b>	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS:</b>	Tom Johnson	Tom Johnson
<b>CLOSING PRAYER:</b>	Don Graves	Milford Segura
<b>USHERS:</b>	Korey Dickens Chris Lovern	Korey Dickens Chris Lovern
<b>AUDIO:</b>	Christian Saunders	Christian Saunders
<b>COORDINATING DEACON:</b>	DuPree / Dickens / Mahan	DuPree / Dickens / Mahan

**Wednesday - April 6, 2015**

**USHER:** Chris Lovern  
**WELCOME / PRAYER:** Bruce Haynes  
**SONG LEADER:** Caleb Johnson  
**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.



THE CONYERS BEACON

“Be angry, and do not sin. Do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil.”

Ephesians 4:26-27



## Why So Angry?

The man stands frustrated in front of the copier machine. He's been working in this office for years. This copier machine is now about five years old. It's lack of cooperation has the man thinking it's time for a replacement. You see when he tries to make a copy the automatic helps pull huge sheets of paper from the variety of sizes in the trays below. When he puts the machine in manual mode it reduces the copy so small it cannot be read. The frustrating part is that on top of the machine lies a document that he just copied and it worked fine. Why all the problems. "Certainly there must be something wrong with this crazy machine," he mumbles under his breath. The young lady that typically uses the copier in a multiplicity of ways has come to be his rescue but she cannot reason why the machine is behaving so erratically. Now both have concluded this machine has some "real" problems. The man said, "I would like to give this machine a swift kick...but it would scuff my shoes."

Suddenly she notices that the previously copied document is lying on the feeder tray distanced from the pull rollers. This was so it would not be mixed up with the new document to be copied. The problem was that the previous document was lying on top of small sensors in the feeder tray that automatically sized up documents for copy. In reality it was not the copy machine's problem at all. It was operator error.

The man stood looking at the copier machine and said, "Every time I get really frustrated and angry about any situation believing I am completely justified, I am part of the problem." Have you ever experienced that realization? Some of us traverse completely through life without realizing that when we experience frustration and anger, completely justifying ourselves, we are part of the problem. How much better would the world be if, when we felt these emotions, we evaluated ourselves and considered others with love? All too often our frustration and anger comes from mis-understanding and hurt feelings. Rather than trying to make peace we want to give others a "swift kick" to make them feel the pain we perceive they have caused us.

God gives us and example of the tragedy that can occur from such an attitude.

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the Lord." And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it." Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" And the Lord said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth. (Genesis 4:1-12, ESV)

When we read the account of Cain and Abel, we shake our heads at Cain and say to ourselves, "What a shame. How dare Cain be so self righteous that he'd take his brother's life because he followed God's command with priority?" We must admit, however, that all Cain did was take Abel's physical life. It would appear that Abel, being a justified sinner, would have gone into eternity to be with God. Let us now bring this idea to our current day.

There may be those in your life who have angered you simply because it seems that they are just too good. Maybe you have known a person all their lives and you know he or she is not perfect. Yet today, in whatever circumstance it may be, you realize that this person is correct in their effort to do what is right. It could be that unknowingly jealousy has entered in and rather than being uplifted by another we want to drag them down with us. What if our passive aggressive behavior, like shunning them or being cold and harsh in our speech, did more damage than simply taking a physical life? What if we damage the faith of another and this person was so discouraged he or she lost their soul? This is far costlier than simple human life that we know will come to an end.

The soul is far more important. Let us consider the soul of another when we become angry or frustrated. Let us remember the words of our Savior in such a situation. "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets" (Matthew 7:12, ESV). Let us conclude with the thought penned by Paul, "Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil" (Ephesians 4:26-27, ESV).

Jeff Johnson

## Prayer List

Ruby Harrell  
Clint Cooper  
Jan Coulon  
Olen & Lydia Lewis  
Irene Mapp  
Faye Brown  
CP & Joan Mathews  
Al Adcock  
Jack & Francis Zorn  
Martha Toney  
Sharon Honoré  
Jake Born  
Wileen Crawford  
Carl Segura  
Korey Dickens

Rajah Sinclair  
Nikki Fennell  
Jacqueline Anderson  
Lowell Strock  
Kay Hyers  
Dawn Robinson  
Bernice Smith  
Evelyn Brown  
Anne Clark  
Dollie Graves  
Thelma Chambers  
Bob Swartz  
JoAnn Turner  
Tom Holland

Gaye Cothren  
Beverly Hixon  
Ronnie Smith  
Kathleen Yates  
Tootsi Shepard  
Becky Waller  
Valdeese Brown  
James Francis  
Victor Kilpatrick  
John Jansen  
JC Davidson  
Wayne Mullins  
Don Mimms  
Korey Dickens

## 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

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.

### Tragedy and Hope in Jeremiah (Auditorium)

**Ladies' Class** - Lady B.U.G.s (Better Understanding God) Room 213

### Middle and High School Classes

Tragedy and Hope in Jeremiah

### Wednesdays

### Middle School

Sowing the Seed of the Kingdom

### High School

Out with Doubt

### Adult Class

**The Mission of the Local Church** (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 April

- 3 Vacation Bible School Meeting
- 5 Ladies' Class
- 5 Fishers of Men Class
- 9 Lads to Leaders' Banquet
- 10 EDP Meeting
- 11 Monday Night for the Master
- 12 Ladies' Class
- 12 Fishers of Men Class
- 16 Secret Sister Reveal
- 17 Southside Youth Devotional - Conyers
- 19 Ladies' Class
- 19 Fishers of Men Class
- 26 Ladies' Class
- 26 Fishers of Men Class
- 30 Teachers' Banquet

### UPCOMING IN May

- 1 EDP Meeting
- 13 Camp Staff Meeting
- 15 Graduation Banquet

## Mission Focus 2nd Quarter

### School Supplies

For the second quarter of 2016, we are collecting school supplies in preparation for an upcoming giveaway. A list of suggested items will be provided at the beginning of April.