



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

**David Drumm** – is having knee surgery on November 14th. Keep him in your prayers.

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**For Our College Students:**

Don't forget about the care packages being prepared for our college students. Please bring items by evening service, November 6, 2016. And don't forget to sign the cards in room 214. If you have any questions please see Renee, Gayle, Ronita or Dawn.

**Ladies' Retreat** - November 4 - 6, 2016

**Fall Lectureship** (Central Church of Christ - Covington) – November 4 – 6, 2016  
The theme this year is "Building Up in a Crumbling World" – 1 Thessalonians 5:14-22

**Elders', Deacons', Preacher's Meeting** - November 13, 2016 at 4:00 pm

**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 - November 6, 2016**

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>SONG DIRECTOR:</b>	Anthony Dilligard	Anthony Dilligard
<b>OPENING PRAYER:</b>	Greg Holmes	Chad Martin
<b>LORD'S TABLE:</b>	Tanner Tolleson - Tyrone Holden Roy Robinson - Walter Norman	Roy Robinson
<b>SCRIPTURE READING:</b>	Walker Howell James 4:13-17	Noah Corbin Psalm 127:1-5
<b>SERMON:</b>	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS:</b>	Gordon Roddenberry	Gordon Roddenberry
<b>CLOSING PRAYER:</b>	Kirk Mahan	David Adams
<b>USHERS:</b>	Tony Ferguson Chris Lovern	Tony Ferguson Chris Lovern
<b>AUDIO:</b>	Ross Mahan	Ross Mahan

**Wednesday - November 9, 2016**

<b>USHER:</b>	Chris Lovern
<b>WELCOME / PRAYER:</b>	Milford Segura
<b>SONG LEADER:</b>	Anthony Dilligard
<b>DEVOTIONAL:</b>	Charles Mahan
<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

*Conyers Youth*

**Southside Youth Devotional**

(Fairview)

November 13, 2016

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**Ladies' Retreat**

**Calloway Gardens  
Lodge and Spa**

**November 4-6, 2016**

\$129 per person



## Who Do You Want in Office?

As the election of our next President approaches, there is certainly a great deal of excitement and discussion about the “pros” and the often-cited “cons” of the candidates. Why is it that we have such a need to discuss and passionately express our desire for a leader? The answer is quite simple; we need someone in whom we can believe. As Americans, we like to raise our flag, pledge allegiance, sing the national anthem and be proud of our chief decision-maker. How is it then that we can be so divided over such issues? It seems that the least number of people openly support the candidate for whom they will vote. This is noted by the lack of bumper stickers and other advertisements. Could it be that we have wandered so far from fundamental beliefs that bless humanity that we are lost in a storm of humanism?

Our wandering away from behavior that blesses humanity has cost us countless lives. We blame this wandering on the Oval Office and other government officials. We sigh in hopelessness as though we can do nothing about this crazy world around us. We want a leader in whom we can believe and we seem to have nothing but disappointment... or have we missed something.

Let us take a moment and consider a biblical history lesson. As we remember God’s people, the nation of Israel came to a point in time in which they demanded a king. One can only wonder if the children of Israel remembered enough of God’s word that they would realize the fulfillment of prophecy in their demand.

When you come to the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you possess it and dwell in it and then say, I will set a king over me, like all the nations that are around me; you may indeed set a king over you whom the Lord your God will choose. One from among your brothers you shall set as king over you. You may not put a foreigner over you, who is not your brother. (Deuteronomy 17:14-15, ESV)

As we move through the pages of history we come to a time of behavior from the children of Israel that seems disappointing. During the time that Judges were guiding the children of Israel, and they responded to the guidance, there was prosperity and freedom in the land. When the Judges died and the people generally rebelled there were military threats and economic setbacks. It would seem reasonable to conclude that it was wise to walk with God’s guidance because life was prosperous. As a King more powerful than any human, God blessed His people instead of being a burden requiring support. Still, the people wanted a human king and could hardly wait for their greatest Judge, Samuel, to die. Therefore, they pressed him to select a king.

When Samuel became old, he made his sons judges over Israel. The name of his firstborn son was Joel, and the name of his second, Abijah; they were judges in Beersheba. Yet his sons did not walk in his ways but turned aside after gain. They took bribes and perverted justice. Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah and said to him, “Behold, you are old and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to judge us.” And Samuel prayed to the Lord. And the Lord said to Samuel, “Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are also doing to you. Now then, obey their voice; only you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

So Samuel told all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking for a king from him. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen and to run before his chariots. And he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his servants. He will take the tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and to his servants. He will take your male servants and female servants and the best of your young men and your donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take the tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves, but the Lord will not answer you in that day.” But the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel. And they said, “No! But there shall be a king over us, that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may judge us and go out before us and fight our battles.” And when Samuel had heard all the words of the people, he repeated them in the ears of the Lord. And the Lord said to Samuel, “Obey their voice and make them a king.” Samuel then said to the men of Israel, “Go every man to his city.” (1 Samuel 8, ESV)

The children of Israel chose to ignore their Heavenly King and demand one upon whom they could lay their eyes and carry on their backs. God gave them the request of their hearts. God has given the people of America the request of our hearts.

Before we blame others in a distant place and give up, let us consider another idea carefully. If we allow God to rule our lives as individuals, then He will become the ruler of our nation. As ruler of our nation He will ensure that we have leaders who will legislate behavior that will bless humanity.

This writer’s vote is to put God back in the office of our hearts where He belongs. You can invite Him in and share with others the Good News of the King of Kings. There is none more powerful, more gracious, more merciful, or more just than the God of all creation. Put Him in your office and no matter what comes your way you will be blessed in the end. God is the One in Whom you can believe and trust for He is Truth.

Jeff Johnson

## 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  
Alysha Morris

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  
Al Simpson

Beverly Hixon  
Ronnie Smith  
Kathleen Yates  
Tootsi Shepard  
Valdeese Brown  
James Francis  
JC Davidson  
Wayne Mullins  
Don Mimms  
Kathy Dennington  
Joe Graves  
Roma DuPree  
Bernadine Senegal

### And Remember Those in Nursing Homes

Charlotte Fulks  
Charles Burks  
Buddy Allen

Charles Fikes  
Emma Baker

Ceci Mullins  
Andrew Anderson

## 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.

#### 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 November

- 4-6 Ladies' Retreat
- 8 Ladies' Class
- 13 EDP Meeting
- 15 Ladies' Class
- 22 Ladies' Class
- 23 Congregational Singing
- 29 Ladies' Class

### UPCOMING IN December

- 4 Holiday party
- 11 EDP Meeting
- 14 Assemble Fruit Baskets
- 16 Deliver Fruit Baskets
- 18 Southside Youth  
Devotional - Tara
- 27-30 Exposure Youth Camp

## Mission Focus 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

### Blessing Bags Fruit Baskets

### Pantry Supplies

Canned Soup  
Personal Care Items