

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Bernadette Marion – received results of her MRI's. Because of their recent auto accident, she has three herniated discs in her back and several issues with her knee. She will receive a series of treatments followed by physical therapy. Keep her in your prayers.

Jesse Marion – requests continued prayers as he battles cancer.

Steve Watts – the uncle of Carlos Watts has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and is in need of prayer.

Attention Requested

A Friend of Mea Hill who is a member of the church is in desperate need of prayer. She is facing some legal challenges pertaining to a volatile situation with her child. She is also in need of legal resources and funds. See Mea for more information.

Welcome to the Family

After studying with Jeff for about 10 months, Dominique Bass, and Talisha Martin were all baptized into Christ last night! We also welcome John Michael Mitchell, Michael and Malia's son, to the family. He studied with Jeff and was also baptized yesterday.

Raintree Village – a list of needed items is in the foyer. The truck will be here next Monday, so please bring your items by evening worship on Sunday evening, August 6th.

Summer Series – August 2, 2017

Our summer series, *Questions for God*, continues guest speaker, Matt Amos. His topic is "How Do I Know You Are There?"

Conyers Youth

Southside Youth Devotional
(Fayetteville)

August 20, 2017

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 - August 6, 2017

	AM	PM
SONG DIRECTOR:	Korey Dickens	Korey Dickens
OPENING PRAYER:	Garland Benefield	Matt Carter
LORD'S TABLE:	Lance Holmes - Michael Yates Bernard Austin - Josh Robinson	Bernard Austin
SCRIPTURE READING:	Walker Howell Matthew 19:6-17	Landon Lovern Matthew 4:3-4
SERMON:	Jeff Johnson	Jeff Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Greg Holmes	Greg Holmes
CLOSING PRAYER:	Roy Robinson	Milford Segura
USHERS:	Buck Howell Jeremy Price	Buck Howell Jeremy Price
AUDIO:	Carlos Watts	Carlos Watts

Wednesday - August 9, 2017

USHER:	Jeremy Price
WELCOME / PRAYER:	Don Graves
SONG LEADER:	Korey Dickens
DEVOTIONAL:	Rubin Walker
AUDIO:	Carlos Watts

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



THE CONYERS BEACON

"I have inclined my heart to perform Your statutes Forever, to the very end. I hate the double-minded, But I love Your law. You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in Your word. Depart from me, you evildoers, For I will keep the commandments of my God!"

Psalm 119:112-115



Termites in the Church

One Sunday many people gathered in an old wood frame building. The floor creaked as it did each week. The aroma of the years on the wood permeated the room with the perceived echoes of the past. The ladies smiled at one another while the men considered their awesome responsibilities to participate in worship of the Almighty God. Taking their seats in a quiet orderly manner, there was a sense of reverence as each person guided his mind to the task at hand. Finally, all the regulars were present and then something terrible happened.

The floor kept creaking once everyone was still. The sound of little snaps went on for about a minute as if to warn the church goers what was about to happen. Suddenly parts of the floor gave in and people fell two to three feet through splinters to the ground. Next, as if buzzards circling the dead, flying bugs filled the room. The ladies could not continue to be gracious when caught in this predicament. The men had their minds ripped from reverent worship to the rescue of the women and children in surprise and fright.

Once all were safely outside, a few of the men inspected the damage and found the structure had been overtaken with termites. The problem was their silent work was undetected by most. The two men who warned that the creaking floor and the aroma of the room indicated a problem found no joy in being right. Now the damage was done.

For some the old meeting place would never be the same, even after repairs. Those who could not shake the image of the collapsed floor would just never return. Others wanted quick patches and repairs to pretend the collapse never happened. The faithful few rolled up their sleeves and worked at treating the termites and the moisture underneath the structure.

In as much as a physical building where the saints meet can have problems, the church may also have some undetected termites. The Bible makes it plain that the church is the people not the building. "And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things" (Acts 5:11). A building cannot fear. Neither can people really be infested with termites but there are those quiet undetected bugs from Satan that weaken us with the intent to destroy us.

Jealousy and Anger are two of those dangerous bugs. Jesus shares with us a parable in order that we may consider our own behaviors.

For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first.

And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the goodman of the house, Saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen. (Matthew 20:1-16)

We cannot afford to waste the precious time God has granted us being jealous or angry. This behavior will cause us to create an atmosphere that does not accept "strangers" who have come into the vineyard lately. Jealousy and anger will eat away at the Lord's work like termites in old wood.

We must treat for these and other destroying bugs with love exemplified by Christ Himself. Here is the treatment plan: Step one - "We love him, because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19). Steps two and three - "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself" (Matthew 22:37-39).

Jeff Johnson

Prayer List

Ruby Harrell
Clint Cooper
Jan Coulon
Olen Lewis
Irene Mapp
Faye Brown
Al Adcock
Jack Zorn
Martha Toney
Jake Born
Wileen Crawford
Carl Segura
Dollie Graves
Alzona Freeman

Jacqueline Anderson
Lowell Strock
Linda Guill
Dawn Robinson
Bernice Smith
Evelyn Brown
Anne Clark
Thelma Chambers
JoAnn Turner
Tom Holland
Shirley Johnson
Jeff Fikes
Roma DuPree
Doris Upton

Beverly Hixon
Ronnie Smith
Kathleen Yates
Tootsi Shepard
Valdeese Brown
James Francis
JC Davidson
Wayne Mullins
Kathy Dennington
Joe Graves
Bernadine Senegal
Steve Watts
Jesse & Bernadette Marion

And Remember Those in Nursing Homes

Charlotte Fulks
Charles Burks
Buddy Allen

Charles Fikes
Emma Baker

Ceci Mullins
Andrew Anderson

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)

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 August

- 6 Prepare for Raintree Pickup
- 7 Raintree Village Pickup
- 9 Summer Series (Rubin Walker)
- 13 EDP Meeting
- 16 Summer Series (Randy Kea)
- 20 Southside Youth Devotional (Fayetteville)
- 23 Summer Series (Tommy Tidwell)
- 25 Annual Fish Fry
- 30 Summer Series (Steve Vice)

Pantry Supplies

- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Mac & Cheese