



**WOODLAWN FORREST
CHURCH OF CHRIST**
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P.O. Box 1651
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229-242-7628

Ministering Evangelist:
Leroy Butler, Jr.

Elders:

Alfonso Breeden
Leroy Butler, Jr.
Steve A. Myers, Sr.
James C. Shearry, Sr.

Deacons:

Charlie Black
Willie C. Ferreebe
Harry L. Howell, Sr.
Marcus J. Pride

**Associate Minister &
Minister of Maturity:**
Andre R. Norwood

Ladies Ministry:
Gloria A. Butler

SUNDAY SERVICES

7:30am Radio Program
WHLJ 97.5 FM
11:00am Live Worship
4:00pm Sunday School
(Virtual)

WEDNESDAY

7:00pm Live Bible Study

SERVICES OFFERED:

- In-Home Bible Studies
- Private Open Bible Studies at the church building
- Bible Correspondence Courses
- Transportation to and from the services.
- Counseling (*marital and personal*)

THE HERALD

Theme: "Going to Thrive in 2025".

L640 Recipient Spotlight

Our **2024 Mature Disciple Award** recipient is Sister Coretha B. Shearry. Coretha has been a member of the Lord's church for forty-six years. She has been a member of Woodlawn Forrest Church of Christ for 29 years, and she attended another congregation for seventeen years. Her favorite Bible verse is Proverbs 3:5-6: *⁵ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. ⁶ In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.*



Sister Coretha is always busy doing the Lord's work. She works diligently on the Bulletin Board, L640, and I.M.A.G.E. Ministries. She also has a special interest in our local college students. She enjoys taking care of them while they are away from home. She invites them to worship services and often provides them meals afterward. She also works with a local shelter and provides needed items to the residents. Coretha has also served as our church's secretary for over forty years!

Sister Shearry is married to Brother Frankie Shearry, Sr. They have been married for almost forty-one years. They have one daughter, Dafina, and one grandson Noah (*whom you'll hear enthusiastically singing during our worship service*). Sister Coretha is the youngest of eleven children, and she has a twin sister! All of her siblings are members of The Lord's Church, and six of them are members here at Woodlawn Forrest. She has a large family of Bells and Shearrys whom she loves dearly.

Sister Coretha Shearry is dedicated, dependable, and hard working. She often puts others before herself, and she has the heart of a servant leader. To know her is to love her. She has truly earned the title of Mature Disciple. ♦

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| <p align="center">Family & Friends Day</p> <p align="center">Sunday, March 30th 10:00am Fellowship Meal following Worship</p> <p align="center">5th Street Church of Christ, 500 5th ST SE, Moultrie, GA.</p> <p align="center">Guest Speaker: Bro Willie L Davis.</p> | <p align="center"><i>Family and Friends</i> Fellowship Day</p> <p align="center">Sunday, March 30th 11:00am</p> <p align="center">Bible Study @ 10:00am</p> <p align="center">Eastside Church of Christ, 1248 N. Lee ST, Valdosta, GA.</p> | <p align="center">Newsome Street Church of Christ</p> <p align="center">FAMILY & FRIENDS</p> <p align="center">Sunday, March 30th 10am Sunday School 11:00am Worship</p> <p align="center">202 Newsome ST Hahira GA.</p> <p align="center">Guest Speaker: Bro Brian Williams Atlanta, GA</p> | <p align="center">Area 5th Sunday Fellowship</p> <p align="center">Sunday, March 30th 3:00pm <i>No Fellowship Meal.</i></p> <p align="center">South 41 Church of Christ, 4030 US Hwy 41, Valdosta</p> <p align="center">Guest Speaker: Bro Clay L. Phillips Thomasville, GA "Expecting to Thrive"</p> |
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Daily Bible Reading for **APRIL**

| Date | New Testament | Old Testament |
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| Tuesday, 04/01 | Luke 6:1-26 | Deuteronomy 33-34 |
| Wednesday, 04/02 | Luke 6:27-49 | Joshua 1-4 |
| Thursday, 04/03 | Luke 7:1-17 | Joshua 5-7 |
| Friday, 04/04 | Luke 7:18-50 | Joshua 8-9 |
| Saturday, 04/05 | Luke 8:1-18 | Joshua 10-12 |
| Sunday, 04/06 | Luke 8:19-39 | Joshua 13-14 |
| Monday, 04/07 | Luke 8:40-56 | Joshua 15-16 |
| Tuesday, 04/08 | Luke 9:1-27 | Joshua 17-18 |
| Wednesday, 04/09 | Luke 9:28-45 | Joshua 19-20 |
| Thursday, 04/10 | Luke 9:46-62 | Joshua 21-22 |
| Friday, 04/11 | Luke 10:1-20 | Joshua 23-24 |
| Saturday, 04/12 | Luke 10:21-42 | Judges 1-2 |
| Sunday, 04/13 | Luke 11:1-28 | Judges 3-4 |
| Monday, 04/14 | Luke 11:29-54 | Judges 5-6 |
| Tuesday, 04/15 | Luke 12:1-21 | Judges 7-8 |
| Wednesday, 04/16 | Luke 12:22-40 | Judges 9-10 |
| Thursday, 04/17 | Luke 12:41-59 | Judges 11-13 |
| Friday, 04/18 | Luke 13:1-17 | Judges 14-16 |
| Saturday, 04/19 | Luke 13:18-35 | Judges 17-19 |
| Sunday, 04/20 | Luke 14:1-14 | Judges 20-21 |
| Monday, 04/21 | Luke 14:15-35 | Ruth 1-2 |
| Tuesday, 04/22 | Luke 15 | Ruth 3-4 |
| Wednesday, 04/23 | Luke 16 | I Samuel 1-3 |
| Thursday, 04/24 | Luke 17:1-10 | I Samuel 4-6 |
| Friday, 04/25 | Luke 17:20-37 | I Samuel 7-9 |
| Saturday, 04/26 | Luke 18:1-17 | I Samuel 10-12 |
| Sunday, 04/27 | Luke 18:18-43 | I Samuel 13-14 |
| Monday, 04/28 | Luke 19:1-27 | I Samuel 15-16 |
| Tuesday, 04/29 | Luke 19:28-48 | I Samuel 17 |
| Wednesday, 04/30 | Luke 20:1-26 | I Samuel 18-19 ♦♦♦ |



OPPORTUNITIES To Learn & Grow

- 7:30am **"Back to the Bible" RADIO PROGRAM**
WHLJ 97.5 FM
- 11:00am **Sunday WORSHIP**
In Person, Facebook Live & YouTube
Solid FOUNDATION Class After Morning Worship
- 4:00pm **Sunday BIBLE SCHOOL**
Zoom Meeting ID 747 4195 1315
- 7:00pm **BIBLE STUDY Wednesday**
In Person & Zoom Meeting
ID: 814 6482 9808 Passcode: 573284
- 7:00pm **WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE**
In Person for ages 3-18

2025 Baby Bottle Fundraiser

DID YOU KNOW THE
YOUR SPARE CHANGE CAN
SAVE LIVES?

ACCEPTING DONATIONS NOW.

Runs Mother's Day,
May 11th to Father's Day
June 15th, 2025




Sick & Shut-in

"I was sick and you visited me..."

Matthew 25:36 NKJV



✚ MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES ✚

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| B/Russell Berrian , Holly Hill Nursing Home | BLG #2 |
| S/Dorothy Hamilton , Lake Haven Nursing Home | BLG #5 |
| S/Rosa Jones , Heritage House Nursing Home | BLG #2 |
| S/Jeniece Myers , Lake Haven Nursing Home | BLG #1 |
| S/Benita Settles , Heritage House Nursing Home | BLG #2 |
| B/Calvin Strickland , Tuscaloosa, AL | BLG #1 |
| S/Betty Yearby , Holly Hill Nursing Home | BLG #1 |

* All Nursing Homes are in Valdosta GA

✚ SICK OR ELDERLY MEMBERS AT HOME ✚

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| B/Henry Barnes | BLG #5 |
| B/James E. Bell, Jr. | BLG #1 |
| S/Frankie Mae Berrian | BLG #2 |
| S/Lucinda Brown | BLG #4 |
| S/Marjorie Collier | BLG #1 |
| S/Glorice Ferrell | BLG #4 |
| B/Robert Gervin, Jr. | BLG #1 |
| S/Arleen Golden | BLG #2 |
| B/Kenneth Hallback | BLG #5 |
| S/Robbie Hester | BLG #2 |
| S/Barbara H. Jones | BLG #2 |
| B/Gregory Martin, Sr. | BLG #1 |
| B/Bennie & S/Sonja Morris | BLG #2 |
| B/Solomon Sanders | BLG #2 |
| S/Rosa Settles | BLG #2 |
| S/Betty Vann | BLG #1 |
| S/Mary S. Williams | BLG #4 ■ |



**PANTRY MINISTRY HOSTS
THANKSGIVING FOOD GIVEAWAY**

GOAL: DISTRIBUTE \$25 GIFT CARDS
TO 100 FAMILIES

WAYS TO GIVE: CHURCH ENVELOPE, PUSH PAY, OR
CASH APP (SWDLAWNCOC)

ACCEPTING DONATIONS NOW!



- 2nd - Viola "Pat Bell
- 2nd - Sarah Cummings
- 2nd - Brenda L. Hardy
- 2nd - Cindy Roberson
- 4th - Rebecca R. Jones
- 4th - Paris Tillman
- 4th - Jabari Williams
- 6th - Latif Jarvis
- 7th - Frank Johnson
- 7th - Matthew Pride
- 9th - Lucinda Brown (100 blessed years)!
- 11th - Doretha D. Bell
- 11th - Coretha B. Shearry
- 11th - M. Michelle Yearby
- 12th - Rashad Tillman, Sr.
- 13th - Eric Redmond
- 14th - Braylen Johnson
- 16th - Lillian Cox
- 21st - Robbie Hester
- 26th - Dee'Asia Brown Lewis
- 27th - Clint Parker
- 28th - Samuel Pride, Jr.
- 30th - Kaysten Arnold.

APRIL Birthdays and Anniversaries



- 2nd - Alfonso & Lola Breeden, 42-years.
- 4th - Roland & Sarah Cummings, 1-year.
- 9th - Latif Jarvis & Esther Alexis, 4-years.
- 9th - Timothy & Edna Kelsie, 20-years.
- 11th - Randy & Vanessa Folsom, 27-years.
- 12th - Willie & Barbara Booker, 38-years.
- 20th - Darryl & Dekarla Thompson, 7-years.
- 24th - Andre' & Shalina Norwood, 26-years. ♦



🌸 🌸 Assigned To Serve In APRIL 🌸 🌸

BAPTISMAL: Nivea McSwain & Erica Thompson
BUILDING OPEN/CLOSE: Harry Howell, Sr. ♦

THEME:
"A Step in The Healthier Direction"

ANNUAL
Health Fair

SATURDAY
JUNE 7TH, 2025

8:30AM to 1:30 PM

Woodlawn Forrest Church of Christ

SAVE THE DATE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rent-A-Youth

For your small jobs at home. See Sis. Edna Kelsie.



↔ Coastal Plain Area, EOA, Inc. will be accepting appointment calls for **Cooling Assistance for Senior Citizens aged 65 and older, and homebound** starting at 6:00AM on April 1st. Lowndes County 229-929-2020 or online <http://coastalplain.cascheduler.com>

↔ April 13-16th, Southside Church of Christ, 1198 Old Statenville Road, Valdosta will hold their **Spring Gospel Meeting**. Theme: "So Walk In Him" (Colossians 2:6-7). The Guest Speaker will be Bro. John L, Hogan of Skyview Church of Christ, Lakeland FL. Service times: Sunday, April 13th- Bible Class @ 9:15am, Worship @10:30am, Lunch 12:30-2:00pm, Evening Worship-3:00pm, and Monday-Wednesday, 7:00pm.

↔ April 16-20th, Leesburg Church of Christ in Leesburg, GA invite you to join in celebrating their **50th Anniversary as a congregation** of the Lord's Church. Weekly activities begin at 7:00pm. On Wednesday, speaker Bro. LeRoy Butler, Jr. (Woodlawn Forrest, Valdosta) "Cloud of Witnesses"; Thursday, speaker Bro. Tony Herring (Shumate, Quitman) "Eagles Wings"; Friday, speaker, Bro. Joe Godfrey (Gaines Avenue, Albany) "Living Stones". Saturday, Celebratory Banquet at 6:00pm, culminating on Sunday, April 20th at 2:30pm, with speaker Bro. Wesley T. Leonard (Southside - Orlando FL).

↔ **South GA Church of Christ Ladies Lectureship Retreat**, April 25-27th, Little Ocmulgee State Park and Lodge, McRae-Helena, GA. Theme: *My Cup Runneth Over, But With What*, *Psalms 23:5-6*. Youth facilitator-Sis. Raniya Jones, Shumate congregation. Song leaders, Sis Edna Kelsey-Woodlawn Forrest and Sis. Linda Crumpton-Shumate. Keynote Speaker, Sis. Gloria Butler-Woodlawn Forrest congregation. Host Churches of Christ in Georgia: Shumate Street-Quitman, Southside-Valdosta, Vienna-Vienna, Gaines Ave-Albany, Eastview Drive-Americus, Eastside-Albany, Newsome Street-Hahira, and Woodlawn Forrest-Valdosta.

↔ **Woodlawn Forrest Ladies Day Program**, Saturday, June 14th, 10:00am-12:00pm, Kinderlou Restaurant (The Oaks). Catered Luncheon with Homemade dessert variety.

↔ Adventure Awaits At **Georgia Bible Camp!** Join Us for Faith, Fun, and Growing in Christ! Five (5) individual weeks of camp June 1st thru July 11th. Camp Highlights:
 *Bible Class & Chapel Daily *Ziplining & Kayaking
 *Ropes Course Activities *Arts & Crafts
 Go to: georgiabiblecampinc@gmail.com or 229-460-1360. ♦



WHO AM I?

**I am a Vital Link in God's Love Connection,
Worshipping and Witnessing to show my Affection,
Working and Serving so that my Light will Shine,
Walking Circumspect so as to Redeem the Time,
I am a Vital Link in God's Love Connection.**

45th Annual Southeastern Youth for Christ Conference
JULY 14 - 18, 2025
VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

\$50.00 Non-refundable Deposit Due by 30 May 2025
 Regular Registration BEFORE 30 June 2025
 5 Years & below: \$150.00
 6-12 Years: \$305.00
 13-17 Years \$325.00
 18 Years and up: \$350.00

For additional conference information:
 Harold Gilmore (256) 303-2475
 Arthur Medlock (229) 894-7094

For curriculum information:
 Jefferson Caruthers (336) 624-3092
 After 01 March 2025 or you may mail YFCC
 P.O. Box 685
 Valdosta, GA 31603

BIBLE BOWL 2025

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| Ages 6-9 1 Samuel 4-6 | Ages 13-16 2 Timothy 1-4 |
| Ages 10-12 1 Samuel 13-16 | Ages 17-21 1 Timothy 1-6 |

Keeping Pace with my Potential.
 THE FIGHT • THE RACE • THE FAITH
 2 TIMOTHY 4:3-8

REGISTER TODAY!

April CHURCH CALENDAR

- 3rd - Men's Discipleship Training, 6:00pm.
- 5th - Usher Ministry "One Another" Fellowship.
- 6th - Youth Dollar Day\$.
- 6th - Wellness host Blood Pressure Screening after Worship. Remember; turn in Steppin' log!
- 7th - Usher Ministry Quarterly Meeting.
- 8th - L640 Meeting, 6:00pm.
- 9th - Hospitality Ministry meeting 6:00pm.
- 10th - Youth Council Meeting, 7:00pm.
- 11th - IMAGE Interest Meeting (Zoom or in-person).
- 12th - Clothes Closet Ministry Visitation.
- 12th - Meals-On-Wheels, 10:00am.
- 13th - BLG #5 Meeting after worship.
- 15th - Youth Ministry's Boys 2 Men, 6:30pm.
- 17th - Men's Discipleship Training, 6:00pm.
- 19th - BLG #1 Meeting, 1:00-2:30pm (Dining Hall)
- 19th - Sunshine Ministry Visitation Team #4.
- 20th - *Easter Sunday.*
- 20th - Clothes Closet Ministry meet after worship.
- 24th - Leadership Team Meeting, 6:00pm.
- 27th - Youth Sweet Shop.
- 25-28th - SO GA Church of Christ Ladies Lectureship



August 26th - 31st, 2025

Fasting & Faith Campaign

The fast will be for **95 days** beginning May 29th and ending August 31st (Homecoming Sunday).
 Signup will begin on May 6th. ♦

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29 | 9PM

Men's Fellowship & Social

The 6th Annual
MAXIMIZING MASCULINITY
Men's Conference

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 | 8AM to 4PM