



WOODLAWN FORREST  
CHURCH OF CHRIST  
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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  
9:45pm .... Solid Foundation  
(New Converts Class)  
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: "Focused and Fixed in 2026"**

Scripture reference: Psalm 112:7

#### **LIMERICK:**

"With my mind clearly focused, and my heart firmly fixed,  
I'll keep trusting in the Lord in 2026!"

A poster for the 2026 Ladies Annual Prayer Breakfast. The background is a church interior with people in pews. The text "2026 LADIES ANNUAL" is at the top in blue, "PRAYER" is in large white letters, and "Breakfast" is in red script. Below the text is a photo of three women smiling: a young woman, a young girl, and an older woman.



Saturday, February 21,  
2026

**THEME: "KEEP THE FAITH & STAY THE COURSE"**

**SCRIPTURE: HEBREWS 12:1**

*"... let us run with endurance the race that is set before us."*

**\$10 per person (cover cost of breakfast)**

**Deadline to signup: Wednesday, February 11, 2026**

Attire: Casual Dress and Comfortable Shoes  
Colors: Red, Blue, and/or White (Heart Health Month)



## Daily Bible Reading for FEBRUARY

Date	New Testament	Old Testament
Sunday, 02/01	Matthew 21:1-27	Exodus 17-19
Monday, 02/02	Matthew 21:28-46	Exodus 20-21
Tuesday, 02/03	Matthew 22:1-22	Exodus 22-23
Wednesday, 02/04	Matthew 22:23-46	Exodus 24-25
Thursday, 02/05	Matthew 23:1-22	Exodus 26-27
Friday, 02/06	Matthew 23:23-39	Exodus 28-29
Saturday, 02/07	Matthew 24:1-28	Exodus 30-31
Sunday, 02/08	Matthew 24:29-51	Exodus 32-33
Monday, 02/09	Matthew 25:1-13	Exodus 34-35
Tuesday, 02/10	Matthew 25:14-46	Exodus 36-37
Wednesday, 02/11	Matthew 26:1-13	Exodus 38-39
Thursday, 02/12	Matthew 26:14-35	Exodus 40
Friday, 02/13	Matthew 26:36-56	Leviticus 1-4
Saturday, 02/14	Matthew 26:57-75	Leviticus 5-6
Sunday, 02/15	Matthew 27:1-26	Leviticus 7-8
Monday, 02/16	Matthew 27:27-56	Leviticus 9-10
Tuesday, 02/17	Matthew 27:57-66	Leviticus 11-12
Wednesday, 02/18	Matthew 28	Leviticus 13
Thursday, 02/19	Mark 1:1-28	Leviticus 14-15
Friday, 02/20	Mark 1:29-45	Leviticus 16-17
Saturday, 02/21	Mark 2	Leviticus 18-19
Sunday, 02/22	Mark 3:1-19	Leviticus 20-22
Monday, 02/23	Mark 3:20-35	Leviticus 23
Tuesday, 02/24	Mark 4:1-25	Leviticus 24-25
Wednesday, 02/25	Mark 4:26-41	Leviticus 26
Thursday, 02/26	Mark 5:1-20	Leviticus 27
Friday, 02/27	Mark 5:21-43	Numbers 1-2
Saturday, 02/28	Mark 6:1-29	Numbers 3-4



### 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. ♦

**Pray For Our Members,  
Make visits and calls.**



### IN NURSING HOMES

B/Russell <b>Berrian</b> , Holly Hill Nursing Home*	BLG #2
S/Dorothy <b>Hamilton</b> , Lake Haven Nursing Home*	BLG #5
S/Rosa <b>Jones</b> , Heritage House Nursing Home*	BLG #2
S/Jeniece <b>Myers</b> , Lake Haven Nursing Home*	BLG #1
B/Calvin <b>Strickland</b> , Tuscaloosa, AL	BLG #1

\* All of these Nursing Homes are in Valdosta GA

### SICK OR ELDERLY AT HOME

B/Henry <b>Barnes</b>	BLG #5
B/James E. <b>Bell</b> , Jr.	BLG #1
S/Frankie Mae <b>Berrian</b>	BLG #2
B/Pleamon <b>Campbell</b>	BLG #1
S/Althea Jones <b>Clay</b>	BLG #1
S/Marjorie <b>Collier</b>	BLG #1
S/Glorice <b>Ferrell</b>	BLG #4
S/Betty <b>Ford</b>	BLG #1
B/Robert <b>Gervin</b> , Jr.	BLG #1
S/Arleen <b>Golden</b>	BLG #2
B/Kenneth <b>Hallback</b>	BLG #5
S/Robbie <b>Hester</b>	BLG #2
B/Bennie & S/Sonja <b>Morris</b>	BLG #2
B/Solomon <b>Sanders</b>	BLG #2
S/Rosa <b>Settles</b>	BLG #2
S/Mary S. <b>Williams</b>	BLG #4 



### Assigned to Service in FEBRUARY

#### BAPTISMAL MINISTRY:

Renee' Thomas & Mary Davis.



#### OPENING/CLOSING FACILITIES:

Andra McNeal, Sr.

### WOODLAWN FORREST COUNSELING SERVICE

*Dorothy Dye, Ph.D.*

*Christian Clinical Counselor*

For Appointment call 229-242-7628 Ext.1001

The Woodlawn Forrest Counseling Ministry is a ministry for Woodlawn Forrest members at no charge. Anyone else who avails themselves of this service will be charged a minimal fee.



April 2~5, 2026, 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Church of Christ **Ladies Lecture-ship Retreat**, sponsored by Country Club Drive Church of Christ in Fayetteville, NC. Theme:

"Christian Women: *Saddle Up Your Faith!* 1 Peter 1:113. The host congregations are Garden Oaks Church of Christ, South Union Church of Christ and the Area-wide Church of Christ in Houston, Texas. Accommodations: Hilton Americas-Houston, 1600 Lamar ST, Houston, TX 77010. Group Rates are \$209 per night. Registration \$225 to February 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### ❖ **SAVE-THE-DATES:**

- ❖ September 19<sup>th</sup> - **Ladies Day**, Northside Church of Christ, Waycross GA.
- ❖ October 31<sup>st</sup> - **Ladies' Day Program**, Newsome Street Church of Christ, Hahira GA.

## ❖ ❖ **ANNOUNCEMENTS** ❖ ❖

❖ Sunday, February 15, 2026 - You're Invited!! Southside Church of Christ, 1198 Old Statenville Road, Valdosta GA, **74<sup>th</sup> Homecoming Anniversary Celebration**. Yearly Theme: "Let Us Encourage One Another" (Hebrews 10:24-25). Monthly Theme: The Beauty of Worship (Psalm 29:2). Guest Speaker, Bro. Tony Herring, Sr., Minister of Shumate Church of Christ, in Quitman GA. Service Times: Sunday School @ 9:15AM. Morning Worship @10:30AM, and Evening Worship @ 3:00PM. "Come Worship With Us!"

❖ February 25<sup>th</sup> - **Valdosta Veteran & Community Job Fair**, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Located at the Valdosta Georgia Department of Labor Building, 221 South Ashley Street, Valdosta. Open to the Public. Bring your Resume! Up to 30 Hiring Employers! To find out more go by the News Bulletin Board and scan the QR Code of visit <https://tinyurl.com/29tmzmjc>

#### ❖ **Upcoming Area Church Events:**

- ⇒ March 6<sup>th</sup>~8<sup>th</sup> - **Tri-City Youth Rally**, Atlanta GA.
- ⇒ March 8<sup>th</sup>~12<sup>th</sup> - **National Lectureship**, Atlanta
- ⇒ March 29<sup>th</sup> - **Area Fifth Sunday Fellowship**.
- ⇒ April 19<sup>th</sup>~22<sup>nd</sup> - **Spring Gospel Meeting**, Southside Church of Christ, Valdosta.
- ⇒ May 31<sup>st</sup> - **5<sup>th</sup> Street Church of Christ, Moultrie GA, Homecoming & Anniversary**. Also, Host to the **Area Fifth Sunday Fellowship**.



The **Southeastern Regional Lecture-ship** will be held in the city of Atlanta at the beautiful Crown Plaza Hotel and Convention Center and will be hosted by Brother Marcus T. Watkins and the Simpson Street Church of Christ.

We are encouraging as many as are interested to make plans to attend during the period of **October 5<sup>th</sup> - October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. There will be pre-lectureship activities on Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> (concert) and on Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> (Mass worship).

Registration cost will be \$200.00 until **April 1<sup>st</sup>** and \$225.00 thereafter. *Theme: Hope Unshaken: "Securing Your souls in a Shifting World" (Hebrews 6:19)*

We want to know if you are planning to attend and if you have registered. We would like to see at least 50 people from Woodlawn in attendance.

(Minister LeRoy Butler, Jr.)

Go to [serlcoc.org](http://serlcoc.org) to find information for the Lectureship and the Hotel Registrations.



- 1<sup>st</sup> - Jarred Sermons
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Randy Folsom
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Edna Diane Silva
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Jordan Washington, Sr.
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Darlene Carter
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Eddie Hill
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Carissa Lott
- 5<sup>th</sup> - James E. Bell, Jr.
- 5<sup>th</sup> - Isreal Minnis
- 6<sup>th</sup> - Emmitt Dowels
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Aretha Benson
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Ariana Jackson
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Harold Young
- 10<sup>th</sup> - Ashley Harrell
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Carma Pickett
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Amie Register
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Tiffany Hart
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Trampus Gervin, Jr.

- 18<sup>th</sup> - Nygeria Lewis
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Maxine Brown
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Vanessa Ferrebee
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Nancy Starks
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Valisa Williams
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - Barbara Booker
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - Jeniece Myers
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Cymiah Harrell
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Jalen Yearby
- 25<sup>th</sup> - Andre McNeal, Jr.



- 9<sup>th</sup> - McNEAL, JR., Andre & Crystal, 1-year.
- 16<sup>th</sup> - FERREBEE, Willie & Vanessa, 43-years.
- 26<sup>th</sup> - MAJOR, Rudard & Annie Ruth, 48-years.
- 27<sup>th</sup> - WASHINGTON, Jordan & Shekita, 16-years. ♦

# February Church Calendar

**1<sup>st</sup> - Dollar Day\$** for our Youth Ministry.

**1<sup>st</sup> - Wellness host Blood Pressure Screening (after Worship).**

**1<sup>st</sup> - WeC.A.R.E. Ministry, 3:00 PM.**

**7<sup>th</sup> - Activity, BLG #4, Zones 3, 4, & 5 (Offsite).**

**8<sup>th</sup> - I.M.A.G.E. Ministry Meeting, 10:00 AM (in the dining area).**

**8<sup>th</sup> - Hospitality Ministry Meeting (after AM Worship)**

**8<sup>th</sup> - BLG #2, Zones 8 & 9, First Gathering/ Meeting of the year (dining area).**

**8<sup>th</sup> - BLG #5, Zone 6 Meeting (after Worship (Conference Room).**

**10<sup>th</sup> - Youth Council Meeting, 7:00-8:00 PM.**

**11<sup>th</sup> - Pantry Ministry Meeting, 6:15 PM. (in the Conference Room)**

**14<sup>th</sup> - Clothes Closet Ministry Visitation.**

**14<sup>th</sup> - Meals-On-Wheels , 10:-00 AM (Kitchen & dining area).**

**14<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's Day.**

**14<sup>th</sup> - BLG #1, Zones 1, 2, & 7, Beginning Year Get Acquaintance Social, 1:00-3:00 PM (Church Dining Hall).**

**15<sup>th</sup> - Clothes Closet Ministry Meeting (after worship in Conference Room).**

**15<sup>th</sup> - WeC.A.R.E. Ministry, 3:00 PM.**

**16<sup>th</sup> - Presidents Day.**

**17<sup>th</sup> - L640 Meeting, 6:00 PM.**

**21<sup>st</sup> - Annual Ladies Prayer Breakfast (8:30- 11:00am).**

**21<sup>st</sup> - Pantry Visitation, 2:00 PM (Sick & Shut-in/ Senior Ambassador).**

**21<sup>st</sup> - Youth Ministry Visitation (Nursing Home).**

**22<sup>nd</sup> - Youth Sweet Shop (after worship in the dining area).**

**22<sup>nd</sup> - Sales begin for Youth Salad Fundraiser. ♥**

 **Youth Group** 

**100 Envelopes Fundraiser**

 **\$25**

 **\$50**

 **\$75**

Return to Bro. AR Norwood, Sis. Edna Kelsie, or Sis. Nadine Jackson.

## 2026 Youth Registration & Family Day



Was held on Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>.

The purpose of the activity was to register youth at Woodlawn Forrest for the calendar year 2026. It was also designed to introduce parents and guardians to the staff as well as to inform them of our scheduled youth activities for 2026.

The event also allowed the council an opportunity to encourage parents to sent their children to the Youth for Christ Conference.

We spent some time speaking with parents and guardians on the importance of bringing the youth to worship as well as bible study. Youth and parents were made aware of the point system and how to accumulate points. The points go toward Youth for Christ Conference registration fee reduction s well as the Youth Banquet and Youth of the Year Award.

A word from the Lord was delivered by TJ Kelsie. The message title was Locked In: Fixing focus in a distracted world.

We wanted to include some "fun" activities as well and so after the Word from the Lord, we played "minute to win it" games which are designed to have families team up so that families would participate together. Sister Tia McNeal led in this activity.

Bro. Tim Kelsie, who serves as our Director of Sports and Athletics, then took the parents and youth outside to play an game of kickball.

Sister Nadine Jackson prepared a lunch for all in attendance and after kickball game, we all sat and ate together.

The overall analysis of the event was that it accomplished what we intended. 22 youth were signed up to participate with the youth group for the year. We were able to enroll 9 new youth into the ministry. We were able to enroll 5 potential new youth ministry workers. We did hand out registration forms and so we are anticipating more enrollments.

There were 22 Youth members in attendance, 14 parents, 2 youth who were non-members, and 16 Youth Council Members.

**Thank you** for your participation. If you were not present but interested in having your child become a part of this love connection, see Sis. Edna Kelsie, Director or Bro. Andre' R. Norwood, Overseer. ♦