

# WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE



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Sunday School: 10:00am

Worship: 11:00am

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As this month begins, the House Groups have finished their first week of meeting. This is part of the Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation. The participants are learning a process that will lead to a big step in how we can answer God's Vision for First Christian Church in Warner Robins.

Whether you are in a group or not, continue to pray for God's guidance as we explore the understanding of what church is and how we can respond to God. This is among the most important things we have done as a congregation.

After the groups meet, the group leaders and I will sort through their decisions and present the assessment to the board and then to the congregation. We all need to be involved in responding to the results of the House Groups efforts.

We are at our best when we come together as the people of God to love as we have been loved. Let us roll up our sleeves and get ready to work for God in Warner Robins.

Shalom, *Darrell*

## MAY ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are those serving in May:

Elders: Dale Barnickel &  
Irv Shaw

Deacons: Doreen Campbell,  
Dawn McReynolds,  
Denny Ray McReynolds &  
Jerri Bosarge.

## MAY SERMONS & SCRIPTURE

May 1, 2016

Scripture: John 5:1-9

Sermon: *How Badly Do You Want It?*

May 8, 2016 – Mother's Day

Scripture: John 20:1-19

Sermon: *A Prayer for Us*

May 15, 2016

Scripture: Genesis 11:1-9

Sermon: *We Can Do It*

May 22, 2016

Scripture: Romans 5:1-5

Sermon: *Challenges*

May 22, 2016

Scripture: Luke 7:1-10

Sermon: *Trust*

## THE LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch met on April 13th at Golden Corral. Those attending were Carl Shaw, Curtis & Nadine Scaggs. The usual attendees are missed & it is hoped they will start attending again. Anyone, come join us.

## DW GRACE GROUP

On Saturday, April 23rd, our Disciple Women hosted the second Spring Conference for the region of Georgia. A lot of work was started on Friday afternoon. Billie Milliken, Dawn McReynolds, Sharon-Kay, Jeannetta Stokes, Rita Youngblood, Mary Jane Rogers, and Judy Barnickel created table decorations, set up the Fellowship Hall, prepped, and cooked food

for Saturday. Our buffet luncheon was enjoyed by all.

Saturday morning, around 50 women from all over the state arrived to attend workshops, worship, and to learn. They also socialized, and reconnected with their friends from around the region.

The ladies donated many items needed for The Salvation Army Safe House.

Those attending the event were so impressed with the work our ladies did that they wanted to propose that Spring Conference be held in Warner Robins every spring.

Thanks so much for our committee consisting of Jeannetta, Mary Jane, Billie, Judy, and Heather Johnson for the success of our Spring Conference.

### **KITCHEN SUPPLIES**

39 gal garbage bags    13 gal trash bags  
Small dessert plates    Kleenex  
16 oz. plastic glasses    Dish Soap  
Spray kitchen cleaners    Napkins  
Divided oblong foam plates

### **SAFE HOUSE SUPPLIES**

Cleaning Supplies    Dish Soap  
Laundry Detergent    Fabric Softener  
Bathroom Tissue    Kleenex  
Glass cleaner    Furniture Polish  
Large trash bags    Toddler Pull Ups  
Feminine products    Toilet cleaners  
Divided foam plates    Napkins  
8 oz. foam coffee cups

### **That Is Faith!**

“Faith is your positive response to what God has already done. It is your response to God’s grace. It is not what you must do to make the Lord act on your behalf. You only need to respond to what He has already done. That is faith!”

– Andrew Wommack

Always pray to have eyes that  
see the best in people,  
a heart that forgives the worst,  
a mind that forgets the bad,  
and a soul that never  
loses faith in God.

### **My Hand in God’s Hand**

Each morning when I wake, I say,  
“I place my hand in God’s today!”  
I know He’ll walk close by my side  
my every wandering step to guide.  
He leads me with the tenderest care  
when paths are dark and I despair,  
no need for me to understand  
if I but hold fast to His Hand.  
My hand in His! No surer way  
to walk in safety through each day.  
By His great bounty I am fed!  
Warmed by His love, and comforted.  
When at day’s end I seek my rest  
and realize how much I am blessed,  
My thanks pour out to Him, and then  
I place my hand in God’s again.”  
– Florence Scripps Kellogg



# May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>Breakfast</b> <b>Cracker Barrel</b> <b>Bible Study 7:00</b>	4	5	6	7 <i>Sarah Cook</i>
8 <i>Ruth Griffith</i>	9	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>Breakfast</b> <b>Cracker Barrel</b> <b>Bible Study 7:00</b>	10 11 <i>Lunch Bunch</i> <i>Golden Corral 1:00</i> <i>Nadine scaggs</i>	12 13 <b>Radio Club</b> <b>Meeting 7:00</b> <i>Mary Ann Glover</i>	14	
15 <b>Fellowship Dinner</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	16 <i>Tyler Hurlbert</i>	17 <b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>Breakfast</b> <b>Cracker Barrel</b> <b>Bible Study 7:00</b>	18	19 20 <b>DW GRACE</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b>	21	
22	23 <i>Beth Bickley</i>	24 <b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>Breakfast</b> <b>Cracker Barrel</b> <b>Bible Study 7:00</b>	25 <b>Prayer Shawl</b> <b>meeting</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> <i>Dale &amp; Judy</i> <i>Barnickel</i>	26	27	28
29	30	31 <b>Breakfast</b> <b>Cracker Barrel</b> <b>Bible Study 7:00</b> <i>Darrell &amp; Marsha</i> <i>Vandervort</i>				

## HOW TO GOOF OFF

My rural trash-removal service requires customers to mark their address on their garbage cans. So I took a can of white spray paint and wrote my street number on a brown rubber can. I set the full can in the back of my SUV and drove it to the refuse-pickup spot. When I returned, I was irked to notice that some paint had rubbed off on the back of the seat; apparently it had not fully dried on the trash can. But it did dry on my car. I tried to remove the paint, but it was stuck fast.

Over the next months, every time I noticed the paint marks on the back of the seat, I felt foolish. A stream of judgment chided me: If you had been more patient and left more time for the paint on the can to dry, this wouldn't have happened. Now you have ruined your car seat, and every time you look at it, you will remember your carelessness. (Do you know that voice?)

Then one day I accompanied a friend to the hardware store to find some paint. On a shelf I noticed a product called "Goof Off," which removes dried paint and other hard-to-get-out stains. I bought a can and applied it to the defiant stain. To my delight, the paint disappeared instantly!

I now see this product—especially its name—as a symbol for forgiveness. The name acknowledges that you made a mistake ("goof"), but also acknowledges that it can be undone ("off"). If you are subject to the tyranny of guilt, this name offers an important teaching: No error is etched in stone. You will always have another chance.

What you believe are your sins are simply errors. Sins require punishment; errors merely call for correction. No one punishes you for your sins more than you do. And no one can relieve you of guilt more than you can. For every indelible paint mark you leave, there is a can of Goof Off to make your car—and life—like new. Maybe even better.

From "A Daily Dose of Sanity", by Alan Cohen

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