

Jefferson Georgia AA Group Meeting
Group #JG011
Group History

The Jefferson meeting of AA has a long history, but because of circumstances described below, much of the history has been lost.

We do not know when the meeting started. It has been held in the basement recreation room of the Jefferson Presbyterian Church, 243 Washington Street, Jefferson GA 30549 for many years.

For several years before 2008, the meeting was kept open by Warren. He came faithfully each week and held meetings when others showed up. More often than not there were no others, though at least one of Warren's AA friends came frequently.

In December 2008, Solange and Leonard R. were looking for a meeting near their home in Jefferson. They had been to several meetings in Athens and were not aware of the meeting in Jefferson (a few blocks from their home). They noticed a sign in front of the church that said that AA met there at 8:00 p.m. on Mondays. They went and met Warren. Due to serious health problems, Warren was soon unable to continue his participation, but Solange and Leonard continued to hold meetings. Eventually, others began to join them. Among the first were Amy, Kristen, Diane, Perry and Linda.

By 2011, there were regularly 10 to 20 members at each meeting, including several from the Commerce Group such as Sid M., Don S., and Joe B.

By 2012, the meeting's group conscience decided to formally apply to AA for "Group" status. That year, Nelson from the Athens Happy Hour Group contributed a number of "Big Books" and two coffee pots to the meeting. The first trusted servants were elected: Debby V. as GSR, Solange as Treasurer and Gina U. as Secretary, as well as Linda M. as Alternate GSR and Steve W. as Archives rep.

In 2013 attendance dwindled partly due to competing meetings in the area, but a core group (Solange, Leonard, Debby, Linda, Brad, Jennie and Sabra) have continued the meeting and hope to be there when others have the need.