

Belt Line Road Church of Christ

“...churches of Christ salute you” (Rom 16:16)
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Web site:
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Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Class 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday:

Ladies' Bible Class (Sept.–Apr.)
Class meets at 10 a.m.

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ELDERS

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Richard Renfro
Dean Webb

DEACONS

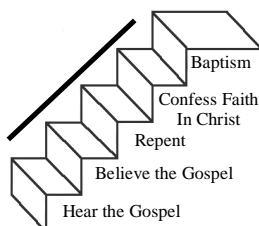
Darrell Allen
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John Mayer

SECRETARIES

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THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear - Romans 10:17
Believe - John 8:24
Repent - Acts 17:30
Confess - Romans 10:10
Be Baptized - Acts 22:16
Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



Oh That Men Would Give Thanks to the Lord for His Goodness

Five times the Psalmist will declare in Psalms 107 the need for men to give thanks to the Lord for His goodness. It is so easy for us to get caught up in all the terrible things that seem to happen daily all over the world and overlook or take for granted the “goodness” of our God. So over and over the Psalmist reminds us why we should be thankful.

God’s goodness is shown by His mercy which “endures forever.” (107:1) In many ways He displays His mercy to us every day. Paul declared in Eph 2:4 that God is “rich in mercy because of His great love with which He loved us.” He has never given to us what we truly “deserve” but rather has showered us with blessings continuously. (Ps 21:3) He delivered us from our bondage of sin through the sacrifice of His own son. (Rom 5:5-8) What evidence of His everlasting mercy!

God’s goodness is shown for He “satisfies the longing soul and fills the hungry soul of goodness.” (107:9) Jesus said He was “... the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.” (John 6:35) He invites all to “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” (Matt 11:28)

God’s goodness is shown through His “wonderful works to the children of men.” These works are described as “sacrifices of thanksgiving” (107:22); by “exalting Him...in the assembly” (107:32); by declaring “His works with rejoicing” (107:22); and praising “Him in the company of the Elders.” (107:32)

In every instance shown of why men would give thanks to God for His goodness, we see that His goodness was not reserved for the children of Israel alone. His goodness given to us has far exceeded even that given to Israel.

We have a covenant with “better promises.” (Heb 8:6) We have the sacrifice of blood that washes away sins that the blood of bulls and goats could never accomplish. (Heb 9:11-14; 10:1-12) We have a better “high priest” (Heb 7:26) who is above all others (Heb 8:1) seated at the right hand of God in heaven.

The entire Psalm 107 is a celebration of the goodness of God in His deliverance of the children of Israel and many of the problems that they had brought on themselves because of their sinfulness. In God’s goodness, they had found forgiveness and mercy. In their humility and praise of God they had discovered a God whose love for them was never ending. It was through all this that they had come to “understand the lovingkindness of the Lord.” (107:43)

When we carefully and prayerfully consider the goodness of God toward us, we cannot help but be thankful and to offer Him our praise with rejoicing. To remember who we would be without Him and His goodness should cause us all pause to reflect carefully on all our blessings continuously. Hopefully it leads us also to understand the lovingkindness of the Lord.

Randy Reagan

News at Belt Line

FAMILY NEWS:

Call in your information to the office at:
972-790-8606 by Sunday evening

AUGUST ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS:

August 12 – Front Foyer – Robert & Cathy Taylor
Back Foyer – Don & Anne Herriage

August 19 – Front Foyer – Nancy Pond & Polly Roses
Back Foyer – Bill & Linda Matthews

Communion Preparation: Darrell & Melissa Allen

Contribution Counters: Glen Kelly & Kenny Mayer

SERMONS

August 12 – a.m. “Eye Of A Needle”

Mark 10:17-25

p.m. “Preaching To The Spirits In
Prison”

1 Peter 3:18-20

**HAVE YOU INVITED
SOMEONE TO WORSHIP
THIS WEEK?**

Ongoing Health Concerns: Dessie Ross, Carol Swinney, David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Ezra Castro, Nellie Melvin, Grady Fowler, Paul Kelly, Beverly McKey, Barbara Reagan, Alice Worthy, Sherry Hodge, Polly Roses, Anne Herriage, Linda Matthews, Laura Jenkins, Dale Cox, Don Walker

Home Bound Members: Helen Thomas, Mary Walker, Dessie Ross, Gearldean Jones, Denzil Myers

Nursing Home: Nellie Melvin – Avalon Memory Care

Military: Chris & Abigail Mathews

EVENTS

MISSION PRINTING – Mission Printing will meet every **SUNDAY** at 4:00 p.m. in the Jr. Auditorium to collate and staple tracts to be sent all over the world. Please come help us and enjoy the wonderful Christian fellowship.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Beverly McKey is improving. The ventilator is off. She did sit up on the side of the bed and had some ice chips. She is doing physical and occupational and speech therapy.

Dale Cox went to the doctor Tuesday. He will be going in the hospital soon for evaluation.

Lautricia Williams has asked for prayers for her neighbor **Keisha Cunningham**, her cousin **Jackie** and for **herself**.

Robert Taylor was able to be at services after having hip surgery.

There are many others who are dealing with short term health issues. Please remember them in your daily prayers.

SUMMER SERIES

Our Wednesday Night Summer Series will be Wednesday, **August 8th** at 7:00 p.m. There are print-outs in both foyers of the topics and speakers. Please come on Wednesday nights and bring friends and family with you.

Our speaker will be **Rob Waller**. His lesson will be “**Jesus At The Right Hand Of God**” - **Romans 8:31-39**

LADIES

Ladies Bible Class will be starting up again on Tuesday morning **September 11, 2018** at the Annex. Please plan on attending and invite your friends and neighbors.

Ladies – we need your help in the **Bear Ministry**. We have a lot of bears that have been cut out but no one to help sew them up. If you are able to help sew them, please contact Marcella Porter at 972-554-9441.

Ladies will be meeting in the Bear Room on Tuesday Mornings from 10 – 12 a.m. if you are interested in helping cut, sew, stuff, or paint faces. Come enjoy the wonderful Christian fellowship on Tuesday’s.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/20/18 – 39'ers – Annex – 6:30 p.m.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Amber Vaughan 8/5
 Patti Kidd 8/6
 Marjorie Bennett 8/8
 David Odom 8/11
 Charlotte Nigh 8/22
 Donna Davis 8/25
 Melody Lundquist 8/31
 Sandra Williams 8/31

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Dorris & Janie Walker 8/5
 Bill & Linda Matthews 8/22
 Thomas & Karen* Rathbun 8/26
 Dale & Katherine Cox 8/30
 Jerry & Laquita Baker 8/31

*If unable to serve on the Lord's table,
 please contact Curtis Vaughan:
 (469) 216-7580*

Men who serve on the Lord's Table on Sunday mornings, please go to room #116 **five minutes** before services.

THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

LORD'S TABLE (MORNING)

8/12/18

SUNDAY PRAYERS

Front Table

- Purman Cofer
- Richard Renfro
- John Mayer
- Nathan Allen
- Thomas Rathbun
- Dorris Walker

Rear Table

- Kenny Mayer
- Glen Kelly
- Bobby England
- Vern Lundquist

A.M. Dean Webb
 Darrell Allen
 Curtis Vaughan
 P.M. John Mayer
 Mike Haynes

LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Scot Allen & Curtis Vaughan

SONG LEADERS

A.M. Mike Haynes
 P.M. Jerry McKey

SCRIPTURE READING

A.M. Kenny Mayer
 Mark 10:17-25
 P.M. Richard Renfro
 1 Peter 3:18-20

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Darrell Allen

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday	60	65	63	100
A.M. Worship	105	101	98	150
P.M. Worship	83	75	71	80
Wed. Class	67	53	60	85
Contribution	\$4558	\$8396	\$5535	\$5300

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED

Glen Tattersall – *Australia*
 Jose & Miriam Suarez – *Mexico*
 Roland & Rose Mohsen – *France*
 Gary & Nadya Workman – *Ukraine*
 Charlie & Mary DiPalma – *Australia*
 Willie & Del Gley – *Ghana/Togo, Africa*
 David & Paula Tarbet – *New Milford, CT*
 Matthew & Emma Idowu Fola – *Lagos, Nigeria*
 Ted Lingren – *Sisophon Bible School – Cambodia*
 Rohan & Sandra Jones – *Cape Town, South Africa*
 Elangwe & Magdaline Gregory – *Wotutu, Cameroon*
 Terry & Pam Laurence – *Ft. Defiance, Arizona – Navajo*
 Dennis & Beth Johnson – *Chennai Teacher Training School – India*

OTHERS SUPPORTED

Paper Pulpit – *Hurst, Texas*
 The Truth In Love – *Hurst, Texas*
 Wayne Jackson – *Christian Courier on the Web*
 Christ's Haven Children's Home – *Keller, Texas*
 Foster's Home for Children – *Stephenville, Texas*
 Willie Alvarenga – *Brown Trail School of Preaching*
 Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

Brown Trail School of Preaching – *Bedford, Texas*
 Joseph Harris, Nathan Boyd, William Garcia
 Southwest School of Bible Studies – **Garrett English**

A Message from Our Shepherds

Brethren, as of August 1st we have a "FULL TIME MINISTER" again, Bro. Randy Reagan. We welcome Bro. Randy and Sis. Barbara Reagan to serve as our full time Minister. Bro. Reagan is coming to us from the secular employment while doing part time preaching. Bro. & Sis. Reagan have a great Love for the truth and they are anxious to help us "GROW" Spiritually and Numerically. We all need to join hands with Randy & Barbara see that Belt Line continues to grow in Love for our Lord and His work.

"But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another. And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more; And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing." (1 Thes.4:9-12)

Whenever we feel troubled, alone, or helpless, we must keep in mind that God is our strength. In this world, we have to adjust to all different Kinds of happenings and situations. We should always keep in mind, that with God, we are safe and constantly under His protection. You see with God all things are possible. We do not necessarily have to understand why negative things happen around us and to us; we must have a strong faith that this too shall pass, and know that our Heavenly Father is always in control. Some of our concerns we had yesterday may be gone, but each new day brings with it new experiences and conditions that will involve us. We must keep first and foremost in our hearts with each concern we have the protection and Love of our God. David said in Psalms 18: 1-3 "I will love thee, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies."

Teachers at Belt Line are to be commended for their dedication and love for the truth. We are truly blessed to have a congregation that is concerned and have great love for the Lord and each other. Those of us that can should be in attendance when it is possible. Pray for our sick and have a great week serving God.

Dean Webb

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