

Belt Line Road Church of Christ

"...churches of Christ salute you" (Rom 16:16)
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Web site: www.beltlinechurch.com

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.... 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday:

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

Evangelist

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Mike & Elizabeth Garrison

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)



Ladies ½ Day April 25th 2015





Encouraging, Informative Lessons

<u>Beyond The Masquerade</u>

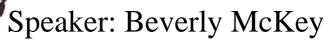
Being Genuine In An Artificial World

Saturday April 25th 9:00am- 12:30pm Luncheon Served- No Charge Beltline Road Church of Christ

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FAMILY CARE A Message from Our Shepherds

Would you die for Christ? This week we heard of the awful slaughter of 148 young people in Garissa University, Kenya. They were killed for one reason, because they believed in Jesus! What would you have said if you had been there? We live in a world where being a non-Muslim can mean instant death by a self proclaimed jihadist. There is no place that is safe except in the arms of Jesus. Allegiance and obedience to God is the only way to enjoy this life.

"By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren." 1 John 3:16

"Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed *are* the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."" Revelation 14:17

"For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Philippians 1:21

Being a Christian can cause persecution and huge challenges as the young girl in Cameroon is experiencing now.

"One of the converts in Lebialem, Cameroon, is facing great persecution. Dorothy is the sister who was baptized and renounced the catholic doctrine. Her family was waiting for her to enroll into the sisterhood, but she told them 'NO'. Today, the report reaching us is that the entire family came to fight with the preacher and all the other members. She ran and stood behind the preacher. It was not safe as they were ready to harm the preacher. You know this congregation is a young one and all the members are new converts. They did not know what to do. The family gave her the option to remain in the church of Christ, but they would disown her and stop paying her school fees, or that she stop attending the church of Christ and go back to the catholic denomination and enjoy rights in the family. Please pray for Sister Dorothy and the young congregation, so that they will be able to handle this situation with care." This quote is from a yesterday's email of Elangwe Gregory, our missionary in Wotutu, Cameroon.

"Blessed *are* those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:10

What would you give up for Christ? Dorothy is young in the faith and we pray that someone will come and help her live a Christian life with life's necessities. Pray that Dorothy's family will believe the gospel of Christ and become dedicated Christians.

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea." Matthew 18:6

"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace." Ephesians 1:7 Richard Renfro

Women Have Reason To Respect The Old Paths

A biographical study of women in the Bible gives an overview of a fascinating aspect of human history. There are over 200 named women in the Bible. These biographies revolve around personalities and humanity. Some are seen as cold and calculating while others are trusted helpmeets and worthy women. Like a mirror the sacred record demonstrates truth without adding cosmetics. Thus, we are afforded a veritable diamond mine of experiences from individuals who lived and triumphed in their faith. All good biographical accounts endeavor to deal with character and principles.

Essential in considering women of the Bible is gathering passages which speak of them. A perusal of their names in their respective dispensations will orchestrate elements of weakness or strength, success or failure, privilege or limited advantage, mistakes and right choices. We find that each element stands out clearly as dark or light. Character and conduct are never left in question. Even when the facts are not as full as one would want the conclusions are definite and unambiguous. By following their strengths and vulnerability, successes and failures, a worthiness or unworthiness can be traced. Reverence and spirituality cannot be taken for granted. The lives of great women are outlined by a demonstration of honor and piety. Some women are only seen in brief cameos demonstrating their meditative lives, framed by devout religious intuitiveness and insight into the mission of the Lord for themselves and others. Character traits manifest extravagant uses of women's time and talents for the betterment of others. Glimpses of the soul of women give women of today reason to travel in the same paths of such legendary worthies.

In the New Testament beneath the influence of Jesus Christ, the gracious development of character is demonstrated in warmhearted gratitude for deliverance. Affection blooms into a fragrant flower of respect and consideration under such influence. Women with this love suffered pain, martyrdom and loss, yet manifested a holy interest for the beloved object of Christianity, Christ Jesus. Such love did not pine for a former state but was consumed with the latter state of a purified soul. Human love was lifted to the heights of divine love. There is a hallowedness of sacrificial love which goes above and beyond mere duty. Such love is found in New Testament women.

A striking fact in the Bible is that women were endowed with an awareness of how utilitarian their lives could be for the cause of holiness. "If man was the head of the home, the woman was the crowning glory of it. If man was taken from the dust, molded and refined, she who had been taken from his side was thus doubly refined". Illustratively we could say woman was not taken from man's head that she might rule over him, or from his feet that he might tread upon her, but from his side near his heart where he could love and honor her as an equal in the sight of God. Both men and women were created in the image of God. Historically pagan men, through ignorance, pride and perversion, mistreated woman by enslavement and degradation. Often women were treated as mere chattel, burden-bearers with no rights or parity with man. Moses through revelation gave women endowments of worth, honor, esteem and affection which flew in the face of conventional practices in the ancient world, even as it still does today. Christianity moved the spot-light of truth upon fuller guarantees to womanhood.

Ironically the further America moves away from its Judeo-Christian mooring, a form of indenturing to lust of the flesh, lust of the eye and vainglory is revived. Woman holds a conspicuous place in sacred history. Their accomplishments are undying, their character glows upon sacred pages, they were gentle lights, often without names, but worthy of honor. In Christianity women are commended in excellent fashion. Don H

Family News:

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

GREETER ASSIGNMENTS

April 12, 2015

Front foyer: Robert & Cathy

Taylor

Back foyer: Robert & Betty

Ruckman

April 19, 2015

Front foyer: Don & Anne

Herriage

Back foyer: Henry Seidmeyer &

Doris Selby

Sermon Titles

April 12, 2015

a.m: "Jacob's Ladder" Scripture: Genesis 28:10-15

p.m: "Shrewd Fool" Scripture: Luke 12:13-21

April 19, 2015

a.m: "Submit Yourselves" Scripture: James 4:1-10 p.m: "Cornelius Feared God" Scripture: Acts 10:1-8

Contribution Counters For April

Glen Kelly & Purman Cofer

Communion Preparation For April

Dorris & Janie Walker

MISSION PRINTING

Mission Printing will meet Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the Jr. Auditorium to collate booklets. Please come help us and enjoy the Christian fellowship.

PRAYER LIST

Ongoing Health Concerns:

Bobby Bowen, Jane Easter, J.C. and Dessie Ross, Joann Hatch, Don and Margaret Lewis, Frances **Tipton**

Homebound Members:

Roy and Helen Thomas, Mary Walker, Gearldean Jones

Recovering at Home:

Linda Matthews had a deep muscle biopsy in her left thigh Wednesday morning. She is waiting on the results.

Elizabeth Garrison is having back problems and was unable to attend services yesterday.

Bobby Allen was able to attend services after having an infection.

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

Nursing Home:

Noma Myers – Northgate Plaza Dorothy Smith – Avalon Elsie Nanney – Elm Croft

Military:

Chris and Abigail Mathews

LADIES

Ladies Class will not meet again until September.

LADIES

Ladies ½ Day will be on April 25th. If you would like to help with the gift bags, please see Joann Hatch or bring your items to the church office.

There are Ladies ½ Day invitation cards in both foyers. Please pick some up and pass them out to your friends and neighbors.

 $\begin{array}{c} {\bf TEEN\ WORK\ DAY} \\ {\bf April\ 18}^{th}\ will\ be\ a\ teen\ work \end{array}$ day. Please contact Darrell Allen if you have anything that you need help with.

DIRECTORIES

There Church are new **Directories** in the front foyer. **Members** please take as many as you would like.

ADDRESS CORRECTION

Hannah Guajardo will not be moving after all. Her address is: 5334 Bond Street, Apt. # 122 Irving, Texas 75038

39'ers DATE CHANGE

Due to the Ladies ½ Day being on Saturday the 25th, we have moved our 39'ers monthly potluck gettogether to next Monday night April 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex for this month only. Hope to see everyone there. Please bring food and enjoy the wonderful fellowship.

Parents please don't allow your children to go into the communion preparation area.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to **Pansy** Yankey on the loss of her sister, Jewell Loafman. Funeral services were last Thursday in Plainview, Texas. She was 96 years old. Please keep this family in your prayers.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4/13/15 - 39'ers - Annex - 6:30 p.m.

4/25/15 - Ladies ½ Day - 9 a.m.

APRIL BIRTHDAY'S

 $Glen \ Kelly - 4/1 \\ Mary \ Wise - 4/2$

Jerry Grantham -4/2

 $Joann\ Hatch-4/2$

Sabrina Howard - 4/3

Vern Lundquist – 4/6

Billy Beverly – 4/7

Sissy Allen -4/12

Bobby Allen – 4/16

Henry Seidmeyer – 4/16

Nelda Bell Newton – 4/17

Tom Head* -4/18

Roy Thomas -4/19

Jeanene Heilman – 4/19

Alice Worthy - 4/20

Thomas Rathbun -4/21

Mary Walker – 4/22

Don Hatch -4/25

Faye West -4/30

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Bobby & Sissy Allen – 4/18

If unable to serve on the Lord's table, please contact Scot Allen: (214)724-6400

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THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

LORD'S TABLE (MORNING)

Front Table

Rear Table

John MayerNathan Allen

- . Curtis Vaughan · Alex Mayer
- · Dorris Walker
- · Ethan Howard . Robert Taylor
- Alex Perry Brandon Howard
- · Purman Cofer

4/12/15 SUNDAY A.M. PRAYERS

- · Richard Renfro
- · Thomas Rathbun
- · Henry Seidmeyer

A.M. SCRIPTURE READING

· Scot Allen

Genesis 28:10-15

SUNDAY P.M. PRAYERS

- · Dale Cox
- · Robert Ruckman

P.M. SCRIPTURE READING

· Don Herriage

Luke 12:13-21

P.M. SONG LEADER(S)

· Darrell Allen

LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

- · Glen Kelly
- · Thomas Rathbun

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

· Robert Taylor

A.M. SONG LEADER

· Jerry McKey

	Last Week	This Week	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sun. Class	61	51	62	100
A.M. Worship	116	120	106	150
P.M. Worship	87	57	67	80
Wed. Class	57	53	58	85
Contribution	\$5770	\$6343	\$5618	\$5098

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

MISSIONS

Glen Tattersall - Australia

Roland & Rose Moshen – France

Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine Charlie & Mary DiPalma – Australia

Willie & Del Gley - Ghana/Togo, Africa

David & Paula Tarbet - New Milford, CT

Wil & Telanda Sadler – Military Missions

Wayne Jackson – Christian Courier on the Web

Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, TX Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, TX

Ted Lingren – Sisophon Bible School – Cambodia

Rohan & Sandra Jones – Cape Town, South Africa

Elangwe & Magdaline Gregory - Wotutu, Cameroon

Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

Terry & Pam Laurence – Ft. Defiance, Arizona – Navajo

Mike Batot – Southwest School of Bible Studies – Austin, TX Carlos Tario – Brown Trail School of Preaching – Bedford, TX

Daniel Garza – Southwest School of Bible Studies – Austin, TX

Dennis & Beth Johnson – Chennai Teacher Training School – India

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