



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 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday:

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

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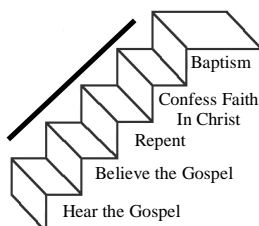
Darrell Allen
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SECRETARIES

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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)



Beware of Covetousness

Many of us are familiar with the Ten Commandments. Probably most of us can recite most of them by memory if not all of them. One of the Commandments quoted frequently is rarely quoted in its entirety. In Exodus 20:17 the Bible says, "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's." Typically when you hear someone speaking of the Ten Commandments they will simply say, "You shall not covet your neighbor's wife." Obviously, there was much more to this commandment concerning covetousness.

Jesus warned His followers of the danger of covetousness. In Luke 12:15, Jesus said, "Take heed and beware of covetousness..." In the context of this scripture, Jesus was directly speaking of those who put their faith in their possessions. In this same verse He would declare that "one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."

The Apostle Paul, in his discussion concerning the law and the role that it played in his understanding of right and wrong, used covetousness to make his point. He wrote in Romans 7:7, "What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, "YOU SHALL NOT COVET."

Over the course of his life, Paul learned how to combat the covetousness in his life. To the church at Philippi he wrote, "Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Philippians 4:11-13)

There are Biblical yet simple ways that the Bible says that we can avoid covetousness. Paul kept his focus on the prize of obtaining eternal life. He said in Philippians 3:14, "I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." Moses did the same thing (Hebrews 11:25-26) As long as he was focused on completing the race and obtaining the prize, he was not distracted by things that Jesus said God would handle. (Matthew 6:33) Paul told the church at Colossae, "If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth." (Colossians 3:1-2)

Certainly there are many who struggle with all aspects of covetousness. One person's strength may be another's weakness. We must "beware" and overcome. Paul told Timothy to tell those who were rich NOT to trust in "uncertain riches" but rather in the "living God." (1Timothy 6:17) Could it be that when we covet, it is because of a lack of faith in God?

Randy Reagan

FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line

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

AUGUST ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS:

August 18 – Front Foyer – Barbara Reagan & Nancy Pond
Back Foyer – Bill & Linda Matthews

August 25 – Front Foyer – Glen Kelly & Billy Joe Swain
Back Foyer – Robert & Cathy Taylor

Communion Preparation: Robert & Cathy Taylor

Contribution Counters: Glen Kelly & Kenny Mayer

SERMONS

August 18 – a.m. “Let Us Make A Name For Ourselves”
Genesis 11:1-4
p.m. “Is Serving God An Obligation?”
2 Corinthians 9:1-5

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

Ongoing Health Concerns: David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Nellie Melvin, Grady Fowler, Paul Kelly, Polly Roses, Barbara Reagan, Alice Worthy, Sherry Hodge, Bill & Linda Matthews, Anne Herriage, Dale Cox, Billie Prince, Elaine Neill, Patsy Swain, Jennifer Sassano, Vernon Sartain, Bret & Sara Rudd, Debra Alonzo, Jean Forbus, Henry Seidmeyer, Ray & LaFon Simpson, Cloreece Wilson

Home Bound Members: Helen Thomas, Mary Walker

Nursing Home: **Nellie Melvin** – Avalon Memory Care **Dale Cox** – Avante

Military: Chris & Abigail Mathews Andrea Daniel (Air Force)

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 and also on **WEDNESDAY** at 5:30 p.m.

Please come help us and enjoy the wonderful Christian fellowship.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Linda Sosa (class visitor on Wednesday nights) has pneumonia. Please keep her in your prayers.

Please keep **Jerry Prox** (frequent visitor) and his two boys in your daily prayers as they are having a rough time at present and have requested our prayers. If anyone would like to send him a card of encouragement, just call the office and we will be glad to give you his address.

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

Please turn in your filled **Green Cans** for Foster's Children's home by **September 4th**.

SUMMER SERIES

Each Wednesday night our guest speakers will cover one chapter. Our speaker this week, August 14th will be **Ross Haffner**. His lesson will be from **Song Of Solomon - Chapter 6**. If you can, please read ahead each week so you are already familiar with the material. Equally important, please plan to attend each week.

Don't forget if you want copies of any of the lessons or all of the lessons for our **Summer Series**, please fill out one of the requests located at both entrances to the building. Thank you Brother Matthews for recording and making these copies.

There is a **THANK YOU** card on the bulletin board from **Bobby and Brenda England**.

Bret Rudd and his daughter **Sarah** are both back to work after their Kidney Transplants last June. Thank You all for all the prayers and inquiries on their behalf.
Darrell Allen

A very Special **THANK YOU** to **Jerry McKey** and **Robert Taylor** for installing our new signs in the back parking lot and also the new signs on various doors.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/14/19 – Ross Haffner – guest speaker

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Amber Vaughan	8/5
Patti Kidd	8/6
David Odom	8/11
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 Alex Mayer:
(972) 602-8480*

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)

<u>Front Table</u>	<u>Rear Table</u>
• Purman Cofer	Kenny Mayer
• Richard Renfro	Glen Kelly
• John Mayer	Bobby England
• Nathan Allen	Vern Lundquist
• Thomas Rathbun	
• Kent Conner	

LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Alex Mayer & Curtis Vaughan

SONG LEADERS

A.M.	Jerry McKey
P.M.	Nathan Allen

8/18/19

SUNDAY PRAYERS

A.M.	Dean Webb
	Don Herriage
	Ken Lee
P.M.	Thomas Rathbun
	Mike Haynes

SCRIPTURE READING

A.M.	Ray Simpson
	Genesis 11:1-4
P.M.	Jerry McKey
	2 Cor. 9:1-5

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Thomas Rathbun

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday	52	57	55	100
A.M. Worship	86	90	88	150
P.M. Worship	74	71	61	80
Wed. Class	57	57	50	85
Contribution	\$6788	\$4287	\$5425	\$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
 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
 Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

Brown Trail School of Preaching
 William Garcia – Luis Loera – Jaelyn Downing

A Message from Our Shepherd

Bro. Reagan presented very good sermons on Sunday, and the saints that meet at Belt Line Road were richly blessed. However, we missed very badly those that were not here. We understand some are sick, and we are also of the opinion some were not here because of their own decisions. God knows which of us could have been present. Attendance is so important, and sometimes we take it very lightly. The record God keeps on us will be all facts. Every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confess about our efforts and our events. (Romans 14:10-11)

“My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, “I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. Brethren, I write no new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which you heard from the beginning.” (1 John 2:1-7)

In just TEN (10) WEEKS, our upcoming gospel meeting with Bro. Jeff Jenkins will be starting. The topics will be LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE. (Matt. 5:14-16) We need to truly make up our mind to attend each one of these assemblies. The gospel meeting will be held October 20-23. We need to schedule each meeting time on our calendars and make plans to be present, just as we do any appointment or activity that is important to us. Belt Line is our congregation of the Lord’s church and by example (all members) should show that we truly love God. We should be planning to make this the most attended gospel meeting Belt Line has had in many years. No one can do this for us, and its success depends upon the family at Belt Line Road.

“Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that *is* in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.” (1 John 2:15-17)

Pray for our sick and shut ins. Have a great week serving God.

Dean Webb

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