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Belt Line Road Church of Christ

"…churches of Christ salute you" (Rom 16:16)
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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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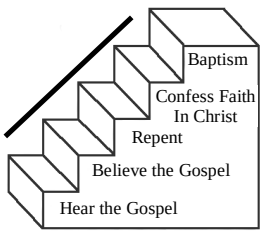
THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

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)



Temples Made With Hands

It would have been very difficult recently to escape the headlines related to the fire at the Notre Dame Cathedral. One example was "The angels are weeping over the ravages of Notre Dame." I have to admit I had very little knowledge of this cathedral or what was supposedly housed within its walls. Some of those items included: The Crown of Thorns believed to have been worn by Jesus Christ himself, pieces of the cross that Jesus was believed to be crucified on along with one of the nails, statues and sculptures of the Virgin Mary holding a (decapitated) baby Jesus, sculptures of Saint Etienne, and another statue of Mary sitting atop a throne. There were other items, but this gives a flavor of the supposed significance of this cathedral and its contents.

While I have no doubt it is an architectural marvel created by man, I also doubt seriously that the angels in heaven were weeping over its burning. The main reason for me is that the Bible goes to great lengths to show that despite all the "glory and beauty" that man might attach to a physical structure, it means very little to God. Stephen in referring back to the temple that Solomon built wrote, "But Solomon built Him a house. However, the Most High does not dwell in temples made with hands, as the prophet says: 'HEAVEN IS MY THRONE, AND EARTH IS MY FOOTSTOOL. WHAT HOUSE WILL YOU BUILD FOR ME? SAYS THE LORD, OR WHAT IS THE PLACE OF MY REST? HAS MY HAND NOT MADE ALL THESE THINGS?' (Acts 7:47-50) Paul preached this same lesson to the Athenians in Acts 17:24. "God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands."

Jesus appalled the Jews "sensibilities" by proclaiming,"… 'I will destroy this temple made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.' "(Mark 14:58) How dare He not revere this temple. Even today, people from all over the world come to Israel to worship a "wall" that was supposed to have been a temple wall!!

Add to all that the "supposed" artifacts that were "treasured" within the Cathedral and it just reinforces the wisdom of God in not allowing mankind to retain "items" of Biblical history to worship. Can you imagine if the Ark of the Covenant still existed somewhere? Do you think man could build a shrine large enough if we had the stones on which God wrote the Ten Commandments? What if mankind could "tour" the actual Garden of Eden?

I have no doubt that this cathedral will be rebuilt in all its "glory" according to mankind. God neither dwells in these "temples" nor regards things that man builds. It would do us all well to remember this principle and apply it to our own "temples." God says that our bodies are the temple in which He dwells (1 Cor. 6:19) and we are to keep it holy and undefiled (1 Cor. 3:16-17). That is the only temple of importance to God.

Randy Reagan

FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line

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

MAY ASSIGMENTS

GREETERS:

May 5 – Front Foyer – Donna Davis & Doris Selby
Back Foyer – Elizabeth Garrison & Myrtle Wade

May 12 –Front Foyer – Bobby & Brenda England
Back Foyer – Billy Joe Swain & Nancy Pond

Communion Preparation: Mary Wise & Doris Selby
Contribution Counters: John Mayer & Thomas Rathbun

SERMONS

May 5 – a.m. "The Simplicity Of God's Word"
Isaiah 35:8
p.m. "Do Not Forget To Entertain Strangers"
Hebrews 13:2

HAVE YOU INVITED SOMEONE TO WORSHIP THIS WEEK?

Ongoing Health Concerns: David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Ezra Castro, Nellie Melvin, Grady Fowler, Paul Kelly, Barbara Reagan, Alice Worthy, Sherry Hodge, Bill & Linda Matthews, Polly Roses, Anne Herriage, Laura Jenkins, Dale Cox, Billie Prince, David Porter, Elaine Neill, Patsy Swain, Jennifer Sassano, Pansy Yankey, Vernon Sartain, Bret & Sara Rudd

***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.

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LADIES

Ladies Bible Class on **Tuesday** mornings will not be meeting again until September.

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Paul Kelly will be going to MD Anderson this week for a round of Cancer tests. Please keep him in your prayers.

Nancy Pond's sister-in-law **Judy Bowman** is home from the hospital.

SUMMER CAMP

Jerry Grantham has the forms for summer camp. If you plan on going to camp this year, please get the form from her. **May 1** is the deadline for turning in the form to **Jerry Grantham** as she has to submit them to the camp.

There will be a **TEEN WORKDAY** on **May 18th**. If you have any work for them to do around your home, please contact Darrell Allen or John Mayer.

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Kayla Allen will be graduating on May 31, 2019. Everyone is invited to celebrate her accomplishments on Saturday **June 1, 2019** from 2-5 p.m. at the annex. **Congratulations Kayla!**

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SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to the **Jerry Baker** family. **Jerry's** niece's husband **Clarence Moody** passed away Wednesday. Services were Sunday in Grapevine.

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Susan Krueger's new address: 236 N. Ebenezer Road
Palmer, Texas 75152
Phone: 817-688-7620

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LADIES

Ladies we need your help for next year's **Ladies Half-Day Event**. Please submit to the office your suggestions for a **speaker** and a **topic** that you would like to hear. We need these as soon as possible so we can contact the speaker.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

5/20/19 – 39'ers – Annex – 6:30 p.m.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Vicki Catlin	5/1
Curtis Vaughan	5/11
Kati Mimms	5/13
Jerry McKey	5/14
Janice Daniel	5/16
Myrtle Wade	5/21
Hannah Derbyshire	5/24
Susan Krueger	5/27
Margaret Lewis	5/27
Polly Roses	5/30

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Anne Herriage	5/18
Dean & Joy Webb	5/23

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

5/5/19

LORD'S TABLE (MORNING)

Front Table
- Ken Lee
- Richard Renfro
- Dorris Walker
- Kenny Mayer
- Alex Mayer
- Don Herriage

Rear Table
Bobby England
Nathan Allen
Vern Lundquist
Robert Taylor

LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Mike Haynes & John Mayer

SONG LEADERS

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

SUNDAY PRAYERS

A.M. Dean Webb
Jerry McKey
John Mayer
P.M. Ken Lee
Richard Renfro

SCRIPTURE READING

A.M. Glen Kelly
Isaiah 35:8
P.M. Nathan Allen
Hebrews 13:2

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Thomas Rathbun

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	Last Week	This Week	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sunday	50	54	55	100
A.M. Worship	106	89	88	150
P.M. Worship	54	75	60	80
Wed. Class	0	50	47	85
Contribution	$3744	$6256	$5629	$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
Southwest School of Bible Studies – **Garrett English**

A Message from Our Shepherds

The Elders of the Belt Line Road Church of Christ are very proud of our ladies who just had a very successful 18th annual, Ladies Half-Day. This Saturday, about 90 ladies gathered at our building and studied God's word from a very capable teacher, Kathy Carroll from the Brown Trail Church of Christ. There were several involved in the program of singing and praying to God, along with scripture reading. May God be praised! This was a very first class gathering of happy Christian ladies. Door prizes were given away. And of course, the delicious meal that followed in the Church Annex. Many ladies were involved in planning, coordinating and executing the Half-Day activities. Thanks so much to our dedicated and faithful Christian ladies for making this a reality and a glory to God. The Elders are even more thankful that we have all of these ladies with us year around to help this congregation stay strong in the Lord.

Philippians 4:3 And I urge you also, true companion, help these women who labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names *are* in the Book of Life.

1 Timothy 2:10 But, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works.

Acts 17:12 Therefore many of them believed, and also not a few of the Greeks, prominent women as well as men.

Acts 16:13 And on the Sabbath day we went out of the city to the riverside, where prayer was customarily made; and we sat down and spoke to the women who met *there*.

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.

--- Richard Renfro

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