

# Belt Line Road Church of Christ

“...churches of Christ salute you” (Rom 16:16)  
Established 33 AD

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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.... 7:30 p.m.

### **Tuesday:**

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

### **Evangelist**

Don Hatch  
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### **ELDERS**

Jerry McKey  
Richard Renfro  
Dean Webb

### **DEACONS**

Darrell Allen  
Glen Kelly  
John Mayer

### **SECRETARIES**

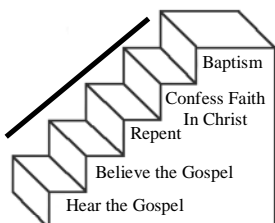
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### **CUSTODIANS**

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)



## **The Founder**

Don Hatch

In Jesus Christ was the fulfillment of all history, human and divine. In Him culminated the revelation of God to the world concerning redemption. In Him would be the fullness of the Godhead bodily and the ideal human in virtue and piety. In Him is solved the problem of religion, reconciliation and fellowship with God. As Jesus ended the Old Testament He opened the endless future and inaugurated an age of hope of eternal life for mankind via His blood. As the Author of a new creation, the church, He was “...the head of the body the fullness of him, that filleth all in all” (Eph 1:21, 22). He brought a universal infusion of ways and means to be spiritually guided by heavenly dominion. Because He lived the human race could face all tomorrows, history had an ending and man could see the beginning of a glorious eternity.

Jesus Christ was born during the times of Augustus Caesar, Herod the Great and Quirinius the governor of Syria. His mother, a maiden in the royal line of David, the king, bore Him in Bethlehem. As a wedded maiden and virgin who was overpowered by the Holy Spirit, she brought forth Him who would be “Jesus and Immanuel” (Matt 1:18-20). The world was at peace which secured Him a hearing for the message of peace which otherwise would have been drowned out by the clamor and passion of war. He renewed hope for low or rich, young or old, civilized or not, Jew or Gentile (Gal 3:27).

He grew up quietly and unnoticed in the mountain village of Nazareth, in Galilee, in a carpenter’s shop, far from Jerusalem, gifted schools and libraries. He had no instruction but that of the humblest and the care of godly parents who took Him to the synagogue and feast days in Jerusalem designed by the Law. He fulfilled all typicals and recorded prophecies of the Old Testament concerning His character, mission and medium of activity. All attempts to say He derived His teachings from existing schools of the Pharisees, Sadducees, Traditions of the Elders or Essenes utterly failed. From the Pharisees and Sadducees He differed and incurred their deadly hatred and hostility and He never visited the Essenes. Independent of human learning and literature He was neither a scholar, artist nor orator. Yet, He was wiser

than the sages of the ages, He spoke as no other and was so profound all marveled at His authority.

He began His ministry at the age of thirty after the Messianic inauguration by the baptism of John. A three year ministry condensed the deepest meaning of religion and salvation. No greater life moved so swiftly and more humbly with such universal consequences and lasting interest. He was aware of His impending humiliation by crucifixion and witnessed it by saying “If I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto myself” (Jn 12:32).

He chose twelve apostles, not from scholars or leaders, but lowly fishermen of Galilee. He had no home, earthly possessions and few friends among the rich and mighty. His purse was filled by the pious and stolen from by a son of perdition (Jn 17:12). In His association with the publicans and sinners He set before them a means of reformation and redemption. He never courted favor with the “great”, but incurred their wrath. He never flattered, but rebuked vice, self-righteousness and hypocrisy. He never encouraged a carnal Messianic hope. He wearied himself with work for His Father, but was never weary of His work.

Jesus Christ born in poverty, reared in obscurity, never traveling widely, possessed neither wealth nor influence, had obscure relatives, no formal education, founded no colleges, libraries, heeded not the multitudes, never marshaled an army, but led more volunteers than any other leader. He never wrote a book but set the pens of thousands to writing of His earthly stay and heavenly promises. Each week the wheels of industry stop to give way to worship of this Divine One. He lived 2000 years ago and still lives today. Men sought to destroy Him, the grave tried to hold Him, but He arose and ascended to the right hand of the Father to become our Mediator and Saviour. Surrounded in death by foes, a loving mother, disciples and the heavenly host He said “it is finished” (Jn 19:30) and arose in three days to say “O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! Behooved it not the Christ to suffer these things, and to enter into his glory?” (Lk 24:25-27) The story of Jesus Christ was written in childlike simplicity, but the glory of it is beyond all that men may think or imagine.

He commanded unconditional trust and obedience which must rise above party or sect. He addressed the heart and conscience of mankind. His pronouncement that a mighty kingdom, not of this earth, but would grow from a small seed to be mighty, never before considered by mortal man. Miracles, signs and wonders accompanied His teachings to exhibit His power over all nature. His doctrine was sealed with the holiest of private and public living.

**FAMILY CARE**  
**A Message from Our Shepherds**

**The Bible -- Just A Book?**

Usually treaties dealing with the Bible's miracles, either for or against them, will omit any reference to the Bible as a book divine and a miracle within itself. The Bible gives accounts of miracles and credits them to the Divine Creator and Sustainer. Those who have brazenly sought to destroy the Bible and its supernatural nature with destructive criticism have not been able to weaken its authority or moral and spiritual value to mankind. Who but an Omniscient and Omnipotent God could have conceived and caused mankind to compose such a perfect and divine library?

The miracle of inspiration and divine revelation is unfathomable. We may never understand exactly how God moved holy men to speak by the Holy Spirit but the effect is astonishing (2 Pet 1:19-21). The divine inspiration of Scripture was always an unvarying conviction of Christians until the control of liberalism in the medium of communication. Modernists have repudiated the infallibility of the Bible, working havoc within "*Christendom*" and robbing many of the note of certainty for their faith. The Bible, when considered to be fallible, destroys the influence Christianity. Critics would like to make the "Sword of the Spirit" a blunt instrument thus robbing it of power.

Men have never effectively been able to "gainsay" the Bible and its inspiration. Bible inspiration embraces not only its **subject matter** but also **the very words** in which it was expressed, down to the minutest detail, so that as originally written the Bible is wholly inspired (Matthew 5:18). This volume of 66 books took about 1500 years to complete and has survived for over 4 millennia. Are there any books over 1000 years old which people today still read? It is said that of 50,000 books printed over a 300 year period, only 59 have remained in reprinted form. After 5 years an ordinary book is reckoned "dead". Yet century after century the Bible increases in circulation.

Eminent, skeptical professors have humbly had to confess the accuracy of truths found in the Bible after Archaeology confirmed each record. Excavations carried on in all Bible lands by pick and shovel have proven many higher critics' deductions to be false and the Bible true. The Bible does not set itself up as a modern treaty on science, yet it has never been proven wrong in any area of science.

The unity of making 66 books into a single volume is striking evidence of its supernatural background. On any given subject harmony prevails. With over 300 fulfilled prophecies in the Old Testament about Jesus, 278 proven references given word for word from the Old Testament, 100 partly worded statements and 124 incidents mentioned that came to pass, its integrity has never been successfully challenged. Volumes could be written of the divine preservation of the Bible through the centuries. Neither deeds of man nor devil have destroyed it because, "the word of the Lord endureth forever." It has been burned publicly and death used as a penalty for owning it, yet no effort to eradicate has ever succeeded.

The Bible is supernatural in its presentation, preservation and likewise in its power. No other book has influenced men and nations like the Bible. *It is set in the heart of mankind and works on the lives of unbelievers creating faith within.* No one has ever been able to explain such a transition in the heart of sinful mankind. Modernists and rationalists may try to weaken the Bible's power and authority, but it continues its triumph in the hearts of millions. The Bible is still the world's best seller. Even the highest scientific books of all ages have never come close to its use. It has been translated into 1000 languages or more. It goes everywhere and touches souls. What manner of Book is this?

**Don Hatch**

**Sixth Anniversary- September 13, 2015**

**Belt Line Road Church of Christ** had its first service September 4, 1955. The congregation was called "Sowers Church of Christ" until the Sower community was annexed into the city of Irving in 1960. From then it has been blessed in countless ways.

**The list of ministers** for Belt Line Road and the assistance who served as counselor, youth ministers, education directors and involvement ministers is filled with individuals who served this congregation.

**During her years Belt Line** has always wanted to have some activity in World evangelism and in the States. She has sponsored numerous men in the various Preaching Schools. These have distinguished themselves in various and sundry ways. We are currently sending other men to learn to preach. It has been a good work and much has come from it. We are thankful for opportunities to share in these good men's works for the Lord.

**Belt Line Road** has had a dedicated list of elders who have served with distinction. Currently Jerry McKey, Richard Renfro and Dean Webb serve as elders. They are a dedicated and experienced eldership. They lead with wisdom and kindness. We are fortunate to have such distinguished men as leaders. Those who went before kept the congregation on a steady helm. Our current elders remain dedicated to the ancient order and speaking where the Bible speaks.

**Deacons stood with our elders.** Their activities served each section of the needs for Belt Line Road. Currently Darrell Allen, Glen Kelly and John Mayer are the deacons. Each man has a special place in the congregation wherein they serve. Each is a good man. We are proud to have them minister among us.

**Those who served the congregation in the office** were and are special ladies. The demands upon them are so varied that it takes special ladies to cover the entire work load. Currently Janice Daniel and Jerry Grantham share the work each dividing the tasks. We are blessed to have such skilled and gifted ladies.

**We have numbers of teachers** who diligently taught and teach classes for every age. It goes without saying we are proud to have brothers and sisters who can take such responsibilities and discharge them in an incredible manner.

**On September 13<sup>th</sup>** we will have a catered dinner at the "Grand Finale Center". We will have our regular worship at the building and travel to the Irving Mall where the Grand Finale is located. Brother Robert Dobson will be our after dinner speaker. He grew up here at Belt Line.

**Sixty years of service** to the Lord is a grand mark. Our history has been one of faithfulness and doctrinal purity. As we approach the sixtieth anniversary those who have gone on before us have given us a rich and wonderful heritage. As we add our labors to theirs our gracious Lord will be honored and praised. We hope all will plan to attend this anniversary dinner. There will be more information sent in the next few weeks.

"...ye shall say unto them, Jehovah bless thee, and keep thee: Jehovah make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: Jehovah lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace" (Num 6:23-27).

**Don Hatch**

# Family News:

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

## GREETER ASSIGNMENTS

**August 2, 2015**

*Front foyer:* Bobby & Brenda  
England

*Back foyer:* Doris Selby & Myrtle  
Wade

**August 9, 2015**

*Front foyer:* Thomas Rathbun &  
Kent Conner

*Back foyer:* Mike & Elizabeth  
Garrison

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## Sermon Titles

**August 2, 2015**

a.m: "Righteousness"

Scripture: Romans 5:12-18

p.m: "Past, Present and Future"

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

**August 9, 2015**

a.m: "Peace"

Scripture: Philippians 4:4-7

p.m: "Expectation and  
Preparation"

Scripture: Philippians 3:20-21

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## Contribution Counters For August

Glen Kelly and Purman Cofer

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## Communion Preparation For August

Robert & Cathy Taylor

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## 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, Don and  
Margaret Lewis, Frances Tipton,  
Diedra Sutton

### *Homebound Members:*

Roy and Helen Thomas, Mary  
Walker, Gearldean Jones, Don  
Hancock

### *Recovering at Home:*

**Ann Herriage** is recovering from  
her recent surgery and is doing  
better.

**Jan Smithson** is recovering from  
some health issues.

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

### *Hospital:*

**Dean Webb** was admitted to  
William P. Clements Jr.  
University Hospital in Dallas over  
the weekend. He is in room #701.

### *Nursing Home:*

Noma Myers – Northgate Plaza  
Dorothy Smith – Avalon  
Elsie Nanney – Elm Croft  
Virginia Stull – Northgate Plaza  
for rehab – room #111

### *Military:*

Chris and Abigail Mathews

### *Special Requests:*

**Norm Audette**, brother-in-law of  
**Janice Daniel** has been moved to  
Reliant Mid-Cities for rehab after  
hip surgery as a result of a fall last  
week. He is in room #306.

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

## NEW ADDRESS

**Juanita Melton's** new address:

Pauls Valley Care Center  
1413 S. Chickasaw Street  
Room #19  
Pauls Valley, OK 73075

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## TEENS

On **August 4<sup>th</sup>** please meet at the  
McKey's home as you will be  
going to Northwest. The Lesson  
can be found in Luke 18:9-14  
about the **Tax Collector/Pharisee**

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## GUEST SPEAKER

**Kenny Gardner** (Bedford) will  
be our guest speaker on  
Wednesday night, **July 29<sup>th</sup>** at  
7:30 p.m. He will be speaking on  
"Paul".

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## SYMPATHY

We just received word that Bo  
Elston (a frequent visitor) passed  
away this morning. Our prayers  
go out to his family. Services are  
pending at this time.

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## RESPONSE

**Philip Whitlock** – address  
3806 N. Eugene Court  
Irving, Texas 75062  
Phone: 469-602-0948

**Delisa Dawn Banister** – address  
3806 N. Eugene Court  
Irving, Texas 75062  
Phone: 214-316-3639

Both mother and son have  
requested to be restored and to  
place membership with the Belt  
Line congregation.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/5/15 – Gary Fallis – Speaker

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

Mike Garrison – 7/3  
Billie Prince – 7/4  
Jerry Catlin – 7/6  
John Mayer – 7/9  
Gaylen Rhudy – 7/13  
Jenny Reed – 7/16  
Marcus Jackson – 7/17  
Betty Ruckman – 7/18  
Melissa Allen – 7/25  
Don Herriage – 7/28  
Robert Taylor – 7/28  
Vera Gleghorn – 7/30  
Purman Cofer – 7/30

### JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Sandy Hall – 7/31

*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

| <u>LORD'S TABLE (MORNING)</u>  |  | 8/2/15 | <u>SUNDAY A.M. PRAYERS</u>   |
|--|--|--------|--|
| <u>Front Table</u>   | <u>Rear Table</u>  |        | · Dean Webb<br>· Don Herriage<br>· Kent Conner                         |
| · Purman Cofer<br>· Bill Matthews<br>· John Mayer<br>· Nathan Allen<br>· Henry Seidmeyer<br>· Brent Howard | · Robert Taylor<br>· Kent Conner<br>· Bobby England<br>· Toby Howard |        |  |
| <u>LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)</u>  |  |        | <u>A.M. SCRIPTURE READING</u><br>· Scot Allen<br>Romans 5:12-18        |
| · Glen Kelly<br>· Richard Renfro   |  |        | <u>SUNDAY P.M. PRAYERS</u><br>· Henry Seidmeyer<br>· Dale Cox          |
| <u>COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS</u><br>· Robert Taylor  |  |        | <u>P.M. SCRIPTURE READING</u><br>· Curtis Vaughan<br>Ephesians 2:11-22 |
| <u>A.M. SONG LEADER</u><br>· Darrell Allen   |  |        | <u>P.M. SONG LEADER(S)</u><br>· Jerry Baker                            |

### FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

|                     | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>This Week</u> | <u>YTD Avg.</u> | <u>Goal</u> |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| <b>Sun. Class</b>   | 63               | 64               | 63              | 100         |
| <b>A.M. Worship</b> | 108              | 116              | 103             | 150         |
| <b>P.M. Worship</b> | 61               | 71               | 67              | 80          |
| <b>Wed. Class</b>   | 69               | 67               | 60              | 85          |
| <b>Contribution</b> | \$4128           | \$3994           | \$5403          | \$5098      |

### 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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