

Belt Line Road Church of Christ

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

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Irving, TX 75061

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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 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

MINISTER

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ELDERS

Darrell Allen

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Dean Webb

SECRETARIES

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THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear - Romans 10:17

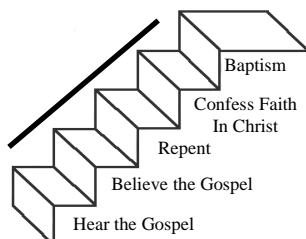
Believe - John 8:24

Repent - Acts 17:30

Confess - Romans 10:10

Be Baptized - Acts 22:16

Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



GODLY ELDERS

Doug Post

Sadly, there is a growing shortage of elders in churches of Christ. Some places can't find at least two men who are qualified, while others can't find at least two men willing to serve. Therefore, we need to appreciate the elders we have even more. Elders **are given to us by God to help us grow spiritually.** If we are so blessed as to have scripturally qualified elders, we should consider them as nothing less than gifts from God for our good.

The Bible says, “**Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning**” (Hebrews 13:17). What a priceless blessing! Yet how long has it been since any of us thanked God for His provision of wise, godly men in the congregation who are willing to watch out for our spiritual welfare? Do we not see the benefit we've been given in the provision of these men?

In Acts 20:28, elders are instructed to “**care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.**” Having men of integrity and spiritual maturity to lead and feed us in the Lord is a wonderful thing. We need to acknowledge the goodness of this blessing. More than that, we need to cooperate with the process of edification of which it is a part. In a good sense, we need to take advantage of what God has given us.

The eldership is not a man-made institution. We need to remember that the work of elders — two other New Testament descriptions of the same office are bishops/overseers (Ac. 20:28; Phil. 1:1) and shepherds/pastors (Eph. 4:11; 1 Pt. 5:1-4) — is a part of the wise plan, which God has devised for His church.

In 1 Timothy 3:1 we read: “**The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task.**” When godly men fill these roles, the result is the strengthening of the church. In His infinite wisdom, God knew precisely the type of leadership and service that would contribute to the kind of strong relationship He wanted us to have in the church. Rather than resent these means of strength, let's be appreciative. And let's help our children to have healthy attitudes toward leadership in God's family.

FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line Road Church of Christ

Call in your information to the office at:

972-790-8606 by Sunday evening



Ongoing Health Concerns: Grady Fowler, Polly Roses, Nancy Pond, Jerry Baker, Victor Rathbun, Katherine Cox, Myrtle Wade, Michelle Reed, David West, Patti Kidd, Charlotte Burrows, Carol Partridge, Dean Webb, Judy Odom, Jackeye Jewitt, Kenneth Treadwell, Janice Daniel, Karen Rathbun, Alice Worthy

Home Bound Members: Gearldean Jones

Rehab: Elma Lawrence (room #516) and Fernando Ybarra (room #510) – **Villages on MacArthur**
Polly Roses (room #206) – **West Fork Village**
Glen Kelly – **Christian Care** – (room #118) - (Mesquite, Tx.)
Virginia Stull – **Morada** – (room #B118) – (Grand Prairie, Tx.)

Military: Curtis Vaughan (Navy)

UPDATE:

Dean Webb is having a better week.

Grady Fowler is doing better.

Polly Roses recently had Carpal Tunnel surgery. She is doing well.

Alice Worthy was able to be at services on Sunday.

We have many of our number who are experiencing various health issues. Please keep them in your daily prayers. Daily prayers are also needed for our missionaries, military, first responders and weather-related victims.

We will resume **Questions & Answers for Sunday evening services**. If you have any questions of a spiritual or religious nature, please submit them in the box in the main foyer.

POTLUCK LUNCHEON – Our luncheon for March will be on Sunday, **March 10th** right after morning worship services. Invite your friends and bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy the wonderful fellowship afterwards.

LADIES QUARTERLY BIBLE CLASS will be on Friday, **April 5th** at 6 p.m. in the Annex.

There are **Green Cans** in both foyers for you to take and fill with your loose change for the children's home in Stephenville.

Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – March 10, 2024

Front Foyer: *Robert and Cathy Taylor*

Back Foyer: *Sandy Hall and Jeanene Heilman*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/6/24 – Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

3/10/24 – Potluck Luncheon

4/5/24 – Ladies Bible Class – 6 pm

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Joseph Paul	3/5
Xavier Kaiser	3/6
Don Overturf *	3/7
Jerry Baker	3/18
George Tripp	3/18
Kay Overturf	3/19
David Cofer	3/21

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Don * & Kay Overturf	3/12
Gary & Nadya Workman	3/29

THOSE TO SERVE ON: March 10, 2024

Announcements – Darrell Allen

Song Leaders – a. m. Jerry McKey
p. m. Nathan Allen

Prayers – a.m. Thomas Rathbun
Joseph Paul
p.m. David Cofer
Darrell Allen

Scripture Reading – a.m. Richard Renfro
1 John 3:1
p.m. Doug Post
Various

Lord’s Table – (Both Services) Richard Renfro & Thomas Rathbun

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>3/3/24</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday Class	36	32	50
A.M. Worship	65	56	100
P.M. Worship	37	33	50
Wed. Class	31	28	50
Contribution	\$7,299	\$5,127	\$4,871

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED

Willie & Del Gley – *Ghana/Togo, Africa*
David & Paula Tarbet – *New Milford, CT*
Matthew & Emma Idowu Fola – *Lagos, Nigeria*
Rohan & Sandra Jones – *Cape Town, South Africa*
Elangwe & Magdaline Gregory – *Wotutu, Cameroon*

OTHERS SUPPORTED

Christ’s Haven Children’s Home – *Keller, Texas*
Foster’s Home for Children – *Stephenville, Texas*
Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

Southeast School of Preaching – *Trevor Tattersall*

**“It Is Well With My Soul”
Horatio G. Spafford**

“When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—My sin, not in part but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul.”

Above are the 3 verses we most often sing in this beloved hymn. I say beloved because when leading this song, I can hear and feel a greater intensity from the congregation. When leading this song, I have to restrain myself from over singing when it comes to the second of the three verses. As Jesus said that loving God with all our heart, mind and soul and our neighbor as ourself sums up the Laws and the prophets, in my mind, this verse is the crescendo, if not the summation, of the whole songbook.

“My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—My sin, not in part but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!”

How powerful those 36 words are. Whether happy or sad or something in between say or sing the words and remember to live like you believe them.

Darrell Allen

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