



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.

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Darrell Allen

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THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear - Romans 10:17

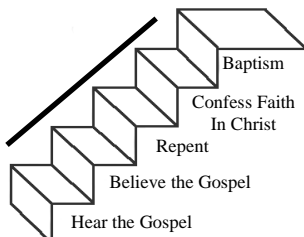
Believe - John 8:24

Repent - Acts 17:30

Confess - Romans 10:10

Be Baptized - Acts 22:16

Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



DEFEATING SATAN WITH THE TRUTH

Doug Post

There are times when we simply can't focus, or not "thinking straight." Maybe it's because we are overthinking something because we have many ideas coming at us from all directions, making it difficult to sift through them all. However, when it comes to spiritual matters, we need to make the effort to discern good from evil. The Hebrews writer says:

For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil (Hebrews 5:13-14).

Even though we know the devil works by deceiving us, we still allow ourselves to be fooled by his trickery and cunning craftiness (2 Cor.11:3), and by his wicked schemes we are taken captive. The apostle Paul writes:

And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will (2 Timothy 2:24-26).

Of course, this does not have to happen because God's Truth – His word – is always available. And in the strength, might, and power of His Truth, we can overcome all evil and every temptation standing between us and God. We simply do not have to be deceived and be taken captive by the devil.

True faith "**diligently**" seeks for God through His Truth (Heb.11:6). So, the question is, do we truly desire to know the truth, and do it? Some were trying to understand if Jesus' teachings figure were true, so Jesus said: "**If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority**" (John 7:17). Those who truly desire not only to know God's truth but also to obey it will be able to discern the difference between truth and error. But if we do not care to know His Truth and obey it, then we will never recognize Truth when we see it.

The devil hates us. His intent is to spiritually kill us, robbing us from eternal life. He is no friend. Paul warns us not to be deceived and lose our salvation: "**See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ**" (Col. 2:8).

The power of God's Truth – His word – is inescapable. As the devil does his work by deception, God does His by Truth. Jesus said, "**You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free**" (Jn. 8:32). However, are you determined and willing to search for Truth and hold on to it? Therefore, let us, "**Buy the truth, and sell it not**" (Prov. 23:23).

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, Anne Herriage, Katherine Cox, Doris Selby, Michelle Reed, Richard Renfro, David West, Jeanene Heilman, Jerry Grantham, Billy Whitfield, Charlotte Burrows, Carol Partridge, Keden Shrum, Mac Dwyer, Dean Webb

Home Bound Members: Gearldean Jones

Rehab: Anne Herriage (room #204-A) – **Avante**
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)

Major Chris & Abby Mathews (Air Force)

UPDATES:

Lilla Tripp will have shoulder surgery on Wednesday July 26, 2023. Please keep her in your prayers.

Judy Odom is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Nancy Watts has a staff infection.

Bob Duckworth fell last week and had to have 6 stitches in his forehead.

Charlotte Burrows will be having more tests done this week.

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.

5th Sunday Singing will be on July 30th at the evening worship service. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the front foyer for song requests.

It's that time again to fill up the grocery bags for **Christ's Haven**. Bags have been placed in both foyers with some items that are needed. The Christ's Haven van will be here early on Tuesday, **August 8, 2023** to pick the bags up.

Nathan Allen's new address: 4303 North Shore Apt. # 1502, Irving 75038

We have green "Gleaning For Children!" cans in both foyers to be filled with your loose change for the "**Foster's Home For Children**" in Stephenville, Texas. Please take one and fill it up for the children's home. The cans will be picked up some time in September.

Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – July 30, 2023

Front Foyer: Elizabeth Garrison & Myrtle Wade

Back Foyer: Jeanene Heilman & Billy Joe Swain

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**7/26/23 – Wednesday Night Bible
Study – 6:30 pm**

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Haynes	7/13
Terry Henson	7/19
Clarine Henson	7/22
Linda Hogan	7/25
Melissa Allen	7/25
Robert Taylor	7/28
Don Herriage	7/28
Purman Cofer	7/30
Clorece Wilson	7/31

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph & Pramoda Paul	7/22
Mike & Sandy Hall	7/31

THOSE TO SERVE ON: **July 30, 2023**

Announcements – Richard Renfro

Song Leaders – a.m. Jerry McKey
p.m. 5th Sunday Singing

Prayers – a.m. Darrell Allen
Joesph Paul
p.m. Jerry McKey
Walt LaHaye

Scripture Reading – a.m. Nathan Allen
Matthew 1:22-23
p.m. Ray Simpson
Proverbs 4:23

Lord's Table – (Both Services) Darrell Allen & Thomas Rathbun

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>7/23/23</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday Class	32	34	100
A.M. Worship	58	63	150
P.M. Worship	34	38	80
Wed. Class	33	29	85
Contribution	\$3,032	\$4,629	\$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

Brown Trail School of Preaching – *Jose Mata*

Brethren,

I wish to thank you for the financial support that is making my activities possible in Ghana and Togo. I also thank you on behalf of the family for the care in these difficult times. I am blessed to have some funds to take care of my health. I appreciate the kind gesture.

May the Lord bless and supply all your needs as a congregation.

Yours in His service,

Willie Gley

This is a Thank You note from Willie. He has been suffering for several months with some serious ailments. Please pray for him as he struggles to gain his good health again. He has spent most of his life praying for others and preaching the gospel.

-- **Richard Renfro**

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