



Belt Line Road Church of Christ

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

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1202 N. Belt Line Road

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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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ELDERS

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THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear - Romans 10:17

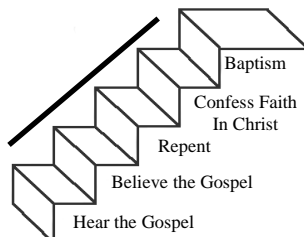
Believe - John 8:24

Repent - Acts 17:30

Confess - Romans 10:10

Be Baptized - Acts 22:16

Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



WHY WE DO NOT KEEP THE SABBATH (Part 1)

Doug Post

God is addressing Israel and no one else. He is not addressing any other. Quite simply, the command to keep the Sabbath was for the Jews only. It was never a commandment for the Gentiles, especially since the Law of Moses was only for the Jews. The Jews, not Gentiles, lived under the Law of Moses. Unless a Gentile was proselyte, having converted to Judaism (males were circumcised), otherwise Gentiles had nothing to do with the Law of Moses. In Genesis 2:2-3 we are told:

“And on the seventh day God ended His work which had been done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.”

From the above we learn what God did. He rested on the seventh day. He also blessed and sanctified it. There is no command given to keep the Sabbath day here. Neither does God make a any promise related to the Sabbath day.

We simply learn what God did on the seventh day. Throughout the remainder of the book of Genesis there is no record of anyone being commanded to keep the Sabbath, and there is no record of anyone keeping the Sabbath. It is not until the giving of the 10 commandments in Exodus twenty do we come across Sabbath.

After Pharaoh let Israel go, and after the crossing of the Red sea, they came to Mount Sinai where God gave the Ten Commandments. Moses writes: **“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage”** (Exodus 20:2). Which nation did God bring out of Egypt? The only nation God led out of Egypt was Israel.

He is certainly not addressing the Gentiles. Therefore, the Law of Moses, which began with the Ten Commandments, was given to the Jews and to no one else. It is precisely here that we learn that God had commanded the Jews to, **“Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy”** (Exodus 20:8).

The Sabbath day was not made known to mankind at Creation. Adam and Eve did not keep it. Noah did not keep it. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob did not keep it. No individual or nation was ever commanded to keep the Sabbath day prior to Exodus twenty.

Finally, let us note Psalm 147: 19-20: **“He declares His word to Jacob, His statutes, and His judgments to Israel. He has not dealt thus with any nation; And as for His judgments they have not known them. Praise the Lord!”**

Here we see the distinction between Israel (the Jews) and the rest of the world (the Gentiles). The Jews had the Law of Moses, beginning with the Ten Commandments. No one else did. Therefore, the Gentiles (everyone else living in the world) were never commanded to keep the Sabbath day. We will return to this point next week.

FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line Road Church of Christ
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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, Charlotte Burrows, Carol Partridge, Dean Webb, Judy Odom, Patti Kidd, 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:

Dorris Walker will have hernia surgery on January 29th.

Dean Webb is having back problems and broken ribs.

Michelle Reed, daughter of **Vicky Catlin** is home with a cold & bronchitis forcing her to miss her chemo treatments for 2 weeks. If not better soon she will need to go to the hospital so she can receive her chemo treatments.

Vicki Catlin is also suffering from bronchitis.

David Sherrill is having kidney surgery today.

Kathy Taylor is still not feeling well.

The Simpson's are dealing with upper respiratory issues.

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.

Delia Watley's next **Ladies Bible Class** will be on April 5th.

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.

Greeters scheduled for **Sunday Morning – January 28, 2024**

Front Foyer: Daniel Rodriguez and Mary Elaina Vaughan

Back Foyer: Jeanene Heilman and Myrtle Wade

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1/31/24 – Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ken Lee	1/2
Ray Simpson	1/16
Lilla Tripp	1/17
Lautricia Williams	1/25
Dorris Walker	1/29
Kayla Allen	1/30
Judy Odom	1/31

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

None

THOSE TO SERVE ON: JANUARY 28, 2024

Announcements – Richard Renfro

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

Prayers – a.m. Doug Post
George Tripp
p.m. Darrell Allen
Richard Renfro

Scripture Reading – a.m. Nathan Allen
Matthew 6:25
p.m. Darrell Allen
Psalms 19:12-14

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

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>1/21/2024</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday Class	31	30	50
A.M. Worship	56	52	100
P.M. Worship	28	28	50
Wed. Class	20	26	50
Contribution	4,529	5,704	\$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*

Good news from Liberia! Many Mission Printing tracts go to this country and the results are amazing. I received this email from a friend of mine who I visited in 2013. Alfred Beyan baptized thirteen souls into Christ in one day last week. He averages about 500 baptisms a year for the last 10 years I've known him. He is now the Director of the World Bible Institute (preaching school) in Monrovia. God be praised!



And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord. Acts 22:16

Richard Renfro

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