

Belt Line Road Church of Christ

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

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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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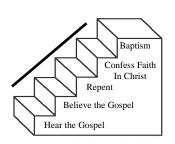
Darrell Allen Richard Renfro Dean Webb

SECRETARIES

Janice Daniel & Jerry Grantham beltlinechurch@sbcglobal.net

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)



SEEKING THAT WHICH IS GREATEST Doug Post

The day after feeding the five thousand, Jesus said the following: "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves" (John. 6:26). Evidently, the people seeking after Jesus were more interested in seeking Him for food than for spiritual nourishment.

The point is this: one's motive must be right when seeking Jesus. A person must seek the higher things Jesus is willing to provide. From time to time, Jesus will provide "loaves and fishes," but He desires to help us with problems much greater than physical hunger.

Because God is the Giver of every good thing in the physical world, it is tempting to seek Him primarily for those things. We may outwardly appear to be interested in spiritual things, but often our real interest is in what we want to enjoy in this life. The truth of this is seen in the fact that so many people quit serving God at the first sign that serving Him may not bring them a "happy" life in the here and now.

There are very few people who will do what Job did: go on seeking and serving God even when it does not pay to do so in terms of temporal happiness (Job 1:1–2:10). The devil was wrong in his insinuation that Job did not "**fear God for nothing**" (Job 1:9). But would he be right if he made the same charge against us?

We do, in fact, need certain things to live in the world. We ought to pray for our daily bread and be thankful for it (Mt. 6:11). God can providentially provide many things, some of which we need because God Himself created the need. We must understand, however, that we need God Himself much more than we need any physical blessing that He can give. Without God, we "die" — no matter how happily we "live" in this world.

Jesus did not come to make this world a happier place. He came to give us life in the world to come. Often, of course, eternal life makes for a happier life right now. But that should not be why we seek God. Seeking God is just that: seeking God, with or without the "food which perishes." Peter, whose acceptance of life in Christ involved him in much hardship and eventual martyrdom, was thinking clearly when he said, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (Jn. 6:68). Yes, eternal life with Jesus is worth more than anything else in this life.

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:

Judy Odom is in room #1515 at Baylor, Scott and White Hospital. She has fluid on her lungs and heart. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Nile Wilkey, son of a minister in S. Texas was in a bad auto accident and the family seeks our prayers.

Jeanene Heilman is suffering with the Shingles.

Thomas and Karen Rathbun's 5 month old grandson, **Bentley Rathbun** is in the hospital with respiratory issues. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Carolyn Renfro is not feeling well.

Michelle Reed did not get a good report from a recent Pet Scan. Additional biopsies and possibly radiation will be needed.

Angie Conner has requested prayers for a safe return from her work travels.

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.

New Address: Patti Kidd – 2613 W. Royal Lane – Apt. #2402 -- Irving, Tx. 75063

New Phone Number: Kay Overturf – 214-287-9633

5th Sunday Singing will be on March 31^{st} at the evening worship service. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the front foyer for song requests.

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

<u>Greeters</u> scheduled for Sunday Morning – <u>March 17, 2024</u>

Front Foyer: Walt LaHaye and Myrtle Wade Back Foyer: Thomas & Karen Rathbun

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/13/24 – Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

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 17, 2024

Announcements – Darrell Allen

Song Leaders – a. m. Jerry McKey

p. m. Nathan Allen

Prayers – a.m. George Tripp

David Cofer

p.m. Richard Renfro Jerry McKey

Scripture Reading – a.m. Joseph Paul

Ephesians 2:4-7

p.m. Doug Post Various

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

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	3/10/24	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sunday Class	29	32	50
A.M. Worship	61	56	100
P.M. Worship	27	33	50
Wed. Class	38	29	50
Contribution	\$2,993	\$4,914	\$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*

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them." Gen.1;29

"I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well." Ps.139:14

"Your hands have made me and fashioned me;

Give me understanding, that I may learn Your commandments." Ps. 119:73

"Truly, this only I have found: That God made man upright,

Since Melissa and I were informed of the coming of our first grandchild, our constant prayers are for the health and safety of our daughter in law and the blessing she grows. We look forward to holding the little one, seeing her grow and become a faithful Child of God. The event has brought to the forefront of my mind the above verses, reinforced how great God is, the miracle of life and the hope of things to come. It also reminds me that as our names were given to us by our parents and what we make of them is up to us, God has given us our life and what we do with it and make of our souls he will judge. What schemes do we seek? May they always be of the Lord's pleasing. Have a fruitful week.

Darrell Allen

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[&]quot;But they have sought out many schemes. "Ecc. 7:29