



# Belt Line Road Church of Christ

“...churches of Christ salute you” (Rom 16:16)  
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[www.beltlinechurch.com](http://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 ..... 7:00 p.m.

## MINISTER

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## ELDERS

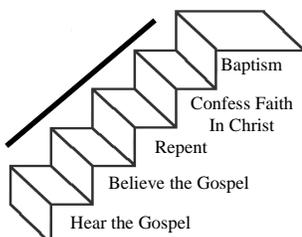
Darrell Allen  
Richard Renfro  
Dean Webb

## 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)



## METONYMY (Part 1) (mi-ton-uh-mee)

There is a figure of speech known as *metonymy* whereby we associate the qualities of one word or phrase with another word or phrase. For instance, we do this when we associate the phrase “**breaking of the bread**” or the word “**communion**” to describe the *Lord’s Supper*. We also refer to the *fruit of the vine* as the “**cup**.” We use one name, word, or phrase, to associate, define, or describe another name, word, or phrase.

The word **metonymy** comes from the Greek word μετωνυμία (metōnumía), which is comprised of two Greek words: **meta**, meaning *change*, and **anoma**, meaning *name*. Hence, **a change in name**. For instance, the word “**circumcision**” was used to describe the Jews (Judaizers) as the *circumcision* and the Gentiles as the *uncircumcision* (Eph.2:11).

We sometimes put the cause for the effect (*metonymy of the cause*). Luke says the Jews preached and read Moses every Sabbath (Acts 15: 21). Instead of saying the Law of Moses, it is said the Jews preached and read Moses. Moses (the cause) is used in place of the Law of Moses (the effect). Moreover, Paul said “**Moses is read**” (2 Cor.3:15), meaning the Law of Moses was being read.

Regarding Christ’s sacrifice, Paul wrote, “**For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him**” (2 Cor. 5:21). This text is often taken out of context, creating the unfortunate and unwarranted idea that Christ literally became sin. Referring to Christ, Martin Luther said: “And this, no doubt all the prophets did foresee in spirit,—that Christ should become the greatest transgressor, murderer, adulterer, thief, rebel, blasphemer, that ever was or could be in the world. For he, being made a sacrifice for the sins of the whole world, is not now an innocent person and without sins.” Another writer referred to Jesus, “As the one great Sinner—the one who had become sin, the one who was accursed beyond all that ever lived ...”

Is this really the meaning of the text? Did Jesus LITERALLY become sin? Well, if Christ literally became sin, then He would have been full of sin – “**sinful**.” But such is an absurdity because He was sinlessly perfect. He was the **unspotted** Lamb of God. In fact, Paul makes this point very clear in the very same verse saying Jesus “**knew no sin**.”

Any superficial reading of a word or phrase can be dangerous. Words and phrases can easily mean different things in different contexts. The focus here is on the meaning of “**sin**.” Does it really mean Jesus became the biggest sinner in the history of the world? No! It’s a grave mistake to ignore the figure of *metonymy*, because in this very context, Paul uses “**sin**” in place of “**sin offering**.”

In fact, in the book of Leviticus the word for “sin” is translated as “sin-offering” over 50 times because that is what it means. For instance— “**Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, this is the law of sin offering: In the place where the burnt offering is killed shall the sin offering be killed before the Lord: it is most holy**” (Lev.6:25). We will return to further explain 1 Cor.5:21 in light of metonymy.

Doug Post

## 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, Nelda Bell Newton, Doris Selby, Michelle Reed, Richard Renfro, Jeanene Heilman, Jerry Grantham, Billy Whitfield, Charlotte Burrows, Carol Partridge, Keden Shrum

**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:

**Mary Elaina Vaughan** had her surgery last Wednesday morning, and all went well.

**Elizabeth Garrison's** son, **Mack Dwyer** is having some heart health issues and needs our prayers. He will be having some 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 tornado victims.

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### **LADIES**

**Quarterly Ladies Bible Class** – next meeting will be Friday, **June 2, 2023** – 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Please plan on attending and inviting your friends and neighbors.

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A special **Thank You** to **Jerry McKey, Billy Joe Swain and Robert Taylor** for repainting the car bumps at the back of the building for the handicap parking.

**Thank You** for the calls, concerns, and continued prayers on our behalf.

**Billy & Veronica Whitfield**

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Starting on **June 7<sup>th</sup>** our Wednesday night service will start at **6:30 P.M**

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**Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – May 28, 2023**

**Front Foyer:** *Thomas & Karen Rathbun*

**Back Foyer:** *Robert & Cathy Taylor*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS****THOSE TO SERVE ON: May 28, 2023****MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Vicki Catlin 5/1  
 Kati Mimms 5/13  
 Jerry McKey 5/14  
 Janice Daniel 5/16  
 Nancy Watts 5/20  
 Myrtle Wade 5/21  
 Margaret Lewis 5/27  
 Susan Krueger 5/27  
 Polly Roses 5/30

**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

Don & Anne Herriage 5/18  
 Dean & Joy Webb 5/23

**Song Leaders** – a.m. Darrell Allen  
 p.m. Mike Haynes

**Prayers** – a.m. David Cofer  
 Joseph Paul  
 p.m. Ray Simpson  
 Richard Renfro

**Scripture Reading** – a.m. Richard Renfro  
 TBA  
 p.m. David Cofer  
 TBA

**Lord's Table** – (Both Services) Jerry McKey & Dean Webb

**ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS**

	<u>5/21/23</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
<b>Sunday Class</b>	43	34	100
<b>A.M. Worship</b>	76	64	150
<b>P.M. Worship</b>	35	38	80
<b>Wed. Class</b>	29	28	85
<b>Contribution</b>	\$2,900	\$4,744	\$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*

To fight and die for a country! Except for the sacrifice made by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I can't think of a greater sacrifice. We honor and respect the soldiers who have given their lives for this great country and the many freedoms we all enjoy. Because of their sacrifice, we also honor and respect their loved ones for they are the ones who have felt the personal weight of loss and sorrow of their loved one's sacrifice for the freedoms that we all enjoy. May we always remember these great sacrifices, especially as we observe Memorial Day.

As we go through this week, let's think on these scriptures:

1 John 2:1-7 ...

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. Brethren, I write no new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which you heard from the beginning.

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins and for those who have lost loved ones. Have a great week serving God!

**Dean Webb**

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