

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 7:00 p.m.

MINISTER

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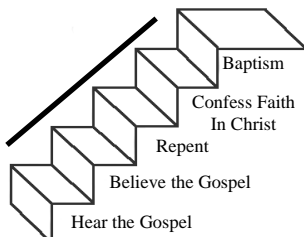
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SECRETARIES

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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 2) (mi-ton-uh-mee)

Last week we began discussing the figure of speech known as Metonymy. One primary example we used was 2 Corinthians 5:21: “**For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.**”

Our focus is on the use of “**sin.**” Does this text teach Jesus became the greatest sinner in the history of the world? No, it does not. Here we note that the figure used is *metonymy of the cause*. The cause of the death of Christ was human sin, and the remedy for our sin was the offering of Christ on the cross of calvary. Therefore, “**sin**” stands for “**sin-offering,**” which Jesus was. In the book of Hosea, the wicked priests were eating the sin-offerings of the people. Hosea then says that the priests were eating the “**sin of My people**” (Hos.4:8; cf. Ex.29:14; Heb.9:28). They were not eating the “**sin**” of the people, but the “**sin-offerings**” of the people. This is the very point of 2 Cor.5:21 – the word “**sin**” is used to mean **sin-offering**.

We noted previously that in the book of Leviticus, the word “**sin**” is translated as “**sin-offering**” fifty times. 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). Note that the phrase “**sin-offering**” is found twice in this passage, but it is not found in the original text. Only the word “**sin**” is found. The word “**offering**” is not in the Hebrew text at all. This is also true concerning trespass and trespass-offering (*asham* in Hebrew). In Isaiah 53:10, it is said “**when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin.**” The phrase, “**offering for sin,**” is from the single word, *asham* – the word for “**trespass,**” which is accurately translated as “**trespass-offering,**” or “**offering for sin.**”

In the Septuagint, the Greek translation of the Old Testament, the phrase, “**sin offering,**” from the Hebrew word for *sin*, is translated by the Greek word, *hamartia*, meaning *sin*. This is exactly what we find in 2 Corinthians 5:21. Hebrews 10:6 says God was not pleased with the “**whole burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin,**” which is a quote from Psalm 40:6. The word “**sacrifices**” was added to the word, “**sin**” (*hamartia*), just as in 2 Cor.5:21. Therefore, we have New Testament commentary on how the word is to be understood.

Romans 8:2-3 says— “**For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free from the law of sin and of death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.**” The phrase “**and for sin,**” means **sin-sacrifice**, which is demonstrated by the footnote in the American Standard Version: “*and as an offering for sin, Lev. 7:37 &c. Heb. 10:6 &c.14.*”

With reference to the sacrifice of Christ, the word “**sin**” stands for “**sin sacrifice**” which is rooted in the Old Testament as noted in Leviticus. Notice also that in Hebrews 10:14, the word *prosphera*, meaning “**offering.**” This word is the same as “**sin offering**” from the word for “**sin.**” So, *hamartia* (“**sin**”) and *prosphera* (“**offering**”), are synonyms in that context. We might also note that the UBS New Testament Greek Dictionary, #271, tells us that word *hamartia* (“**sin**”) is “often sin offering.”

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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:

David West is struggling with his health. He has a lot of leg pain. The first appointment he could get with the doctor is next month. Please keep him in your prayers.

Richard & Carolyn Renfro's daughter **Rhonda Adams** had back surgery last Thursday in Arizona. Please keep her in your prayers.

Eva Stambaugh had cataract surgery.

Elma Lawrence had her 2nd eye surgery and all went well.

Polly Roses skin cancer surgery is healing nicely.

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.

LADIES

Quarterly Ladies Bible Class meeting will be this Friday, **June 2, 2023** – 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the Annex. Please plan on attending and inviting your friends and neighbors.

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

June 11, 2023 is scheduled for our monthly Potluck Luncheon after Sunday morning worship services.

Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – **June 4, 2023**

Front Foyer: *George Tripp & Nora Phillips*

Back Foyer: *Joseph Paul & Sandy Hall*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6/2/23 – Ladies Bible Class – 6 pm

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

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Karen Rathbun 6/2
Darrell Allen 6/23

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Robert & Cathy Taylor 6/13

THOSE TO SERVE ON: June 4, 2023

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

Prayers – a.m. Richard Renfro
 Thomas Rathbun

 p.m. Walt LaHaye
 Ray Simpson

Scripture Reading – a.m. Jerry McKey
 Ephesians 6:13
 p.m. Doug Post
 Various

Lord’s Table – (Both Services) Richard Renfro & Walt LaHaye

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>5/28/23</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday Class	39	34	100
A.M. Worship	64	64	150
P.M. Worship	43	38	80
Wed. Class	30	28	85
Contribution	\$4,015	\$4,711	\$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*

We can see from times past that we should rejoice in trials. Even though most of our trials are different from those experienced in years' past, believe me, many are experiencing trials today! Paul said he had learned to be content in whatever state he was in. We ought to be the same way, knowing we have a crown of life awaiting if we remain faithful that will last forever. Hebrews 3:17-18 instructs us "Though the fig tree may not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, and the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no heard in the stalls—Yet, I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation." 1 Peter 4:12-13 tells us, "Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy."

Solomon said, "For as he thinks in his heart, so *is* he." (Proverbs 23:7a) We need to be sowing the seed of righteousness; it will give happiness. We need to be sowing the seed of trust; it will help us to be optimistic & become "Glad in the Lord." We need to be sowing the seed of helpfulness; it will give us satisfaction and happiness by taking an interest in people. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35)

Have a great week serving God and keeping His commandments. Keep in your prayers those of our number who are sick & shut-in. Also, remember those who are suffering from recently losing loved ones.

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