



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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THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear - Romans 10:17

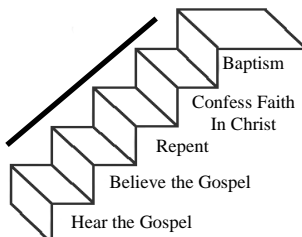
Believe - John 8:24

Repent - Acts 17:30

Confess - Romans 10:10

Be Baptized - Acts 22:16

Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



GIVE GOD THE GLORY ALL THE TIME

Doug Post

The choices we make, the things we say and do, and even our thoughts determine if we glorify God or not. Are we helping His cause or hurting it?

We are either friends with God or we are not. There is no in-between with God: **“Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God”** (James 4:4). Therefore, we need to strive to be a people desirous of honoring God in everything we think, say, and do.

If it is our desire to be Christ-like, then we must strive to give God the honor due Him. After all, this is the purpose for which we were created. We were created by God to bring Him glory (Isa. 43:7). When our actions show forth God’s goodness and His glory, we are fulfilling our destiny as His creatures. As God’s vessels we ought to have a great desire to always please Him. Paul writes:

But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will render to each one according to his deeds”: eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness—indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek; but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God (Romans 2:5-11).

Doing all to glorify God (and seeking to avoid anything inconsistent with His glory), we discover a meaning to life that would otherwise be impossible. Even the difficult and painful necessities of life take on a different look when we see them as opportunities to glorify God. Paul even went so far as to say that if Christ would be honored by his death, then he was ready to die: **“It is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death”** (Phil. 1:20). Paul’s attitude is commendable, and we ought to strive for the same mindset.

We are to honor God not just on Sundays, but every day. Our aim is to faithfully serve Him with intentionality. We may never give our lives as martyrs, but we can sacrifice for Him every day. Paul writes, **“I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, wholly acceptable (pleasing) to the Lord, which is your reasonable service”** (Romans 12:1-2). Note also, **“For you were once in darkness but now light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable (pleasing) to the Lord”** (Eph.5:8-10).

Since we are always in God’s presence and He knows what we think, say, and do, then let us **“make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him”** (2 Cor. 5:9). Paul put it this way: **“Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men”** (Col. 3:23). And Jesus said, **“Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven”** (Mt. 5:16).

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:

Judy Odom has been moved to Avante – room #109 for rehab.

Fernando Ybarra is now back at MacArthur Villages.

Polly Roses has been diagnosed with Neuropathy in her right arm and left leg. Please keep her in your prayers.

Jerry Grantham has requested prayers for her granddaughter, **Chelsea**. They removed a lymph node from under her arm and are waiting on tests results.

Myrtle Wade fell and broke her hip. She is in room #1402 at Baylor, Scott and White Hospital. Her surgery is scheduled for today.

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.

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.

Mary Elaina Vaughan was baptized at church camp a few weeks ago. Her info is: 1128 Lakeway Dr.

Irving, Texas 75060

Phone: 469-955-8285

We extend our Deepest Sympathy to the family of **Neil Donley**. Neil passed away on Saturday in Austin, Texas and services are pending at this time.

Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – August 6, 2023

Front Foyer: *Nora Phillips & Doris Selby*

Back Foyer: *Robert & Cathy Taylor*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**8/1/23 – Wednesday Night Bible
Study – 6:30 pm**

**8/20/23 – Ice Cream Social – after
evening worship service**

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Patti Kidd	8/6
David Odom	8/11
Pramoda Paul	8/14
Brenda Hood	8/27
Melody Lundquist	8/31

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Dorris & Janie Walker	8/5
Jim & Eva Stambaugh	8/17
Thomas & Karen Rathbun	8/26
Patrick & Mariana Pauli	8/29

THOSE TO SERVE ON: **August 6, 2023**

Announcements – Dean Webb

Song Leaders – a.m. Darrell Allen
p.m. Darrell Allen

Prayers – a.m. David Cofer
George Tripp
p.m. Darrell Allen
Richard Renfro

Scripture Reading – a.m. Thomas Rathbun
Matthew 1:16-18
p.m. Walt LaHaye
Proverbs 29:7

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

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>7/30/23</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday Class	28	34	100
A.M. Worship	56	63	150
P.M. Worship	37	38	80
Wed. Class	25	29	85
Contribution	\$3,272	\$4,585	\$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*

Good afternoon Richard,

The distribution of the Mission Printing tracts is going on very well. Lots of congregations come for the materials and they have been using them. Our evangelism team has been using them as well. We always distribute MP tracts at any community that we visit, before knocking doors. It is very helpful. The picture below is of baptized believers.

In Christ,

Alfred Beyan, Monrovia, Liberia

(Bro. Alfred has been baptizing hundreds of souls per year for the 10 years that I have known him. He gets to share a full container of MP tracts every year.)



--- Richard Renfro

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