

Belt Line Road Church of Christ

"...churches of Christ salute you" (Rom 16:16)
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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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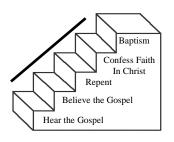
Darrell Allen Richard Renfro Dean Webb

SECRETARIES

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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 2) Doug Post

Last week we left with the following from 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!" God's word, statutes, judgments are all synonymous (Psalm 19:7-11), and was the revelation of His will to the Jews only. The following buttress this point:

"You came down also on Mount Sinai, And spoke with them from heaven, And gave them just ordinances and true laws, Good statutes and commandments. You made known to them Your holy Sabbath, And commanded them precepts, statutes and laws, By the hand of Moses Your servant" (Nehemiah 9:13-14).

"Therefore I made them go out of the land of Egypt and brought them into the wilderness. And I gave them My statutes and showed them My judgments, 'which, if a man does, he shall live by them.' Moreover I also gave them My Sabbaths, to be a sign between them and Me, that they might know that I am the LORD who sanctifies them. Yet the house of Israel rebelled against Me in the wilderness; they did not walk in My statutes" (Ezekiel 20: 10-13).

It is clear God gave His Law – His commandments – one of which was keeping the Sabbath. The command to keep the Sabbath was never made to mankind in general, but only to the Jews. The command to keep the Sabbath was originally given to the Jews in Exodus 16:23, and then was repeated again at the giving of the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20). Moreover, in the New Testament the apostle Paul writes:

"Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:11-13).

Please note that the Gentiles were strangers and aliens both from the commonwealth of Israel and from the covenants God made with Israel, which included the Law of Moses. However, Paul goes on to write:

"For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity" (Ephesians 2:14-16).

Christ tore down the "**middle wall of separation**" by His cross. Because of that, the Gentiles were no longer aliens and strangers to God because Christ removed that which divided Jew from Gentile, namely the Law of Moses. Now both Jew and Gentile are to be united together in the church being under the authority of Christ, not Moses. The New Covenant is the law for the Christian (Matt.26:28; Rom.10:4; Gal.3:19-27, 4:21-31; Heb.10:9-10). The law of Moses – the Law that divided Jew and Gentile, which included keeping the Sabbath, was forever nailed to the cross (Col.2:14).

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, 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:

God bless you all for the work for the Lord. Our last convert has been faithful and is married to a Muslim.

Chemene has two children and pray for her. Love Rose Mohsen

Patti Kidd has been home with a cold.

George Tripp has been home with stomach troubles.

Bobby & Brenda England have the flu.

Charla Reeves, cousin of **Judy Odom** continues to struggle with her health following surgery for colon cancer. Please continue to pray for her.

Dave Sherrill's surgery went well and he was able to be at services on Sunday. His wife is at Avante, room #304 for rehab for some stability issues.

Dorris Walker is having surgery today. Please keep him and the doctors in your prayers.

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.

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.

Thank You to Daniel Rodrigues, Doug Post and Darrell Allen for their help in loading two containers for Mission Printing last week.

Thank You for the many calls, visits, food, transportation to services and doctor visit and prayers during my recovery from a fall. **Love, Janice Daniel**

Kent Conner came forward Sunday asking for prayers and to be restored.

Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – February 4, 2024

Front Foyer: Nora Phillips & Sandy Hall Back Foyer: Thomas & Karen Rathbun

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: FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Announcements – Dean Webb

Song Leaders – a. m. Darrell Allen

p. m. Darrell Allen

Prayers – a.m. Joseph Paul

George Tripp

p.m. Jerry McKey David Cofer

Scripture Reading – a.m. Thomas Rathbun

Matthew 16:17-19

p.m. Doug Post

Various Scriptures

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

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	1/28/2024	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sunday Class	31	30	50
A.M. Worship	50	52	100
P.M. Worship	33	29	50
Wed. Class	25	26	50
Contribution	\$3,405	\$5,129	\$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*



Dear Bro. Renfro

This is the picture of our first convert in this new year. Bro. Chinedu Anthony is a student of Mass Communication at a University in Togo. He was given my phone number from Togo while coming home for December break. He chart me and I did the follow up. He is going back to school in few days time. Thanks for being there for us. We also thank the entire brotherhood.

Bro. Matthew Fola

Richard Renfro

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