

# **Belt Line Road Church of Christ**

"...churches of Christ salute you" (Rom 16:16)
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## **Schedule of Services Sunday:**

Bible Class ...... 9:00 a.m. AM Worship ... 10:00 a.m. PM Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday:

Bible Study .... 7:00 p.m.

#### **Tuesday:**

Ladies' Bible Class (Sept.–Apr.)

Class meets at 10 a.m.

#### **MINISTER**

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#### **ELDERS**

Jerry McKey Richard Renfro Dean Webb

#### **DEACONS**

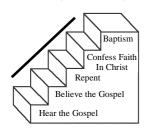
Darrell Allen Glen Kelly John Mayer

#### **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)



### Who's Lying?

Many years ago I was taught that any time you had two completely opposite statements or belief's there were only three possibilities; one was right while the other was wrong, both were wrong, but it was impossible for both to be right! At a very critical time in its history Judah was given two completely opposite prophecies concerning what was about to happen. King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon was poised to completely destroy Jerusalem and take the Jews into captivity. On one hand, you had the prophet Jeremiah warning all who would listen that Nebuchadnezzar was going and take the Jews captive to Babylon for seventy years. (Jer. 25:1-14) On the opposite side, you had "other prophets" saying that God would never allow the Jews to be taken into captivity by a wicked King and nation such as Nebuchadnezzar and Babylon. (Jer. 14:13; 27:9-10, 16) Someone was not telling the truth as both couldn't be right.

Just such a scenario arose when the Scribes accused Jesus of being a servant of Satan's when casting out demons. (Mark 3:22) Jesus either was casting out demons by the power of Satan, He was casting out demons by the power of God, or He was casting out demons by neither, but it was impossible for Him to be casting out demons by the authority of both God AND Satan! Someone was not telling the truth as both could not be right.

This legacy of "who is lying" continues today. We are constantly presented with doctrine from two opposite teachings. Are we saved <u>only</u> by the grace of God as some teach? Are we saved by faith <u>only</u> as others teach? Are we saved simply through our belief in God and accepting Jesus as our "personal savior" as many believe and teach? Is worship a matter of "personal preference" or a commanded pattern according to God's word? Does baptism have nothing to do with my salvation as some teach? Can I attend the church of MY choice? Am I free to seek my "own salvation" or must I be in obedience to God's commandments in every way?

Here is what God says. We are saved by grace. (Eph. 2:5; Titus 2:11) However, Eph. 2:7 says we are "saved by grace through faith" which means we are not saved by grace only. James 2:24 says a "man is justified by works, and not by faith only." In that same chapter of James, he says the "demons believe and tremble." Jesus said that the "true worshippers" would worship in "spirit and in truth." (Jn 4:23) He would later go on to say, "Thy word is truth." (Jn. 17:17) Peter said baptism saves us. (1 Pet. 3:21) Paul said there is one body. (Eph. 4:4; 1 Cor. 12:13) Jesus taught that those who inherit eternal life will be those who "do the will of My Father which is in heaven," and Paul said Jesus would take "vengeance on those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ." (2 Thess. 1:8)

The question now is, "who's lying?" They both can't be right. The choice is ours who we believe.

Randy Reagan

#### News at Belt Line

### **FAMILY NEWS:**

Call in your information to the office at: 972-790-8606 by Sunday evening

#### MARCH ASSIGMENTS

#### **GREETERS:**

Mar.1 – Front Foyer – Doris Selby & Elizabeth Garrison Back Foyer – Billy Joe Swain & Patti Kidd

**Mar.8**– Front Foyer – Alice Worthy & Jeanene Heilman Back Foyer - Terry & Clarine Henson

Communion Preparation: Patti Kidd

**Contribution Counters:** Bobby England & Alex Mayer

#### **SERMONS**

Mar. 1 – a.m. "They Have Not Cried To Me With Their Hearts" Hosea 7:11-16

> p.m. "But Also Approve" Romans 1:18-32

### HAVE YOU INVITED SOMEONE TO WORSHIP THIS WEEK?

Ongoing Health Concerns: David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Nellie Melvin, Grady Fowler, Paul Kelly, Polly Roses,

Barbara Reagan, Alice Worthy, Sherry Hodge, Bill & Linda Matthews, Anne Herriage, Dale Cox, Elaine Neill, Patsy Swain, Jennifer Sassano, Vernon Sartain, Bret & Sara Rudd, Debra Alonzo, Jean Forbus, Henry Seidmeyer, Ray & LaFon Simpson, Cloreece Wilson, Vera Gleghorn, Marinell Zaun, Joe Farley, Dolores Ramsey, Debra Wintle, Mary Walker

Home Bound Members: Helen Thomas, Mary Walker

*Nursing Home*: Nellie Melvin – Avalon Memory Care **Dale Cox** – Avante

*Military:* Chris & Abigail Mathews Andrea Daniel (Air Force) Curtis Vaughan (Navy)

**EVENTS** 

MISSION PRINTING – Mission Printing will meet every **SUNDAY** at 4:00 p.m. in the Jr. Auditorium to collate and staple tracts to be sent all over the world and also on **WEDNESDAY** at 5:30 p.m.

Please come help us and enjoy the wonderful Christian fellowship.

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#### **LADIES**

Ladies Bible Class is Tuesday morning February 25 Meet and greet is at 9:30 a.m., class is at 10:00 a.m. This will be in the Annex. The lesson will be "Give Them A Target". Please plan on attending and invite your friends and neighbors.

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#### **PRAYER CONCERN**

**Richard Renfro** will be having tests this week. Myrtle Wade had a biopsy Tuesday. She is scheduled for further testing.

Marcella Porter is in Baylor, Scott and White Hospital. She has requested **no visitors** at this time.

Mary Wise's daughter, Maryla Zimmerman is also at Baylor, Scott and White Hospital. She is in room #404.

Ken Lee's niece, Chanda was care-flighted to Amarillo to hopefully find the cause of her health issues.

Lautricia Williams has requested prayers on behalf of her 2 great granddaughters – 4 yrs. old and 19 days old.

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Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. will be our **congregational breakfast** at the Annex. It is hosted by the teens. There is a sign-up sheet in the front foyer so they know how much food to prepare.

**REMINDER:** There are about 20 people who have not turned in their directory and survey updates. We need these immediately so we can publish a new directory.

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### **ADDRESS CHANGE**

SR, Vaughan, Curtis, D Ship 11, USS KEARSARGE, Division 115 3505 Sailor Drive Great Lakes, IL. 60088-3505

There are new labels in the foyer.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

3/7/2020 - Breakfast - Annex - 9:00 a.m.

#### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Eula Hedrick	2/1
Cindy Derbyshire	2/2
Robert Ruckman	2/11
Joy Webb	2/12
Cathy Taylor	2/12
Alex Mayer	2/16
Mary Curtis	2/17
Debra Wintle	2/20
Carol Partridge	2/28

#### FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

NONE THIS MONTH

If unable to serve on the Lord's table, please contact Alex Mayer: (972) 602-8480

**Men** who serve on the Lord's Table on Sunday mornings, please go to room #116 **five minutes** before services.

#### THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

#### LORD'S TABLE (MORNING) 3/1/20 SUNDAY PRAYERS

Front Table	Rear Table	A.M.	Jerry McKey
Dean Webb	<b>Bobby England</b>		Richard Renfro
Don Herriage	Jim Walters		Darrell Allen
Ken Lee	Bobby Allen	P.M.	Alex Mayer
Dorris Walker	Glen Kelly		Dean Webb

## LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Thomas Rathbun

Alex Mayer

Kenny Mayer & John Mayer

## SCRIPTURE READING A.M. Nathan Allen

Hosea 7:11-16

P.M. Don Herriage Romans 1:18-32

#### SONG LEADERS COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Robert Taylor

A.M. Jerry Baker P.M. Darrell Allen

### FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	YTD Avg.	<u>Goal</u>
<b>Sunday Class</b>	51	51	49	100
A.M. Worship	76	87	84	150
P.M. Worship	50	63	59	80
Wed. Class	53	43	50	85
Contribution	\$5111	\$4076	\$5335	\$5360

#### **MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED**

Glen Tattersall – Australia
Jose & Miriam Suarez – Mexico
Roland & Rose Mohsen – France
Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine
Charlie & Mary DiPalma – Australia
Willie & Del Gley – Ghana/Togo, Africa
David & Paula Tarbet – New Milford, CT
Matthew & Emma Idowu Fola – Lagos, Nigeria
Ted Lingren – Sisophon Bible School – Cambodia
Rohan & Sandra Jones – Cape Town, South Africa
Elangwe & Magdaline Gregory – Wotutu, Cameroon
Dennis & Beth Johnson – Chennai Teacher Training School – India

### **OTHERS SUPPORTED**

Paper Pulpit – Hurst, Texas
Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, Texas
Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, Texas
Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution
Christian Family Counseling – Arlington, Texas

### STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

Brown Trail School of Preaching **Luis Loera – Jaelyn Downing** 

### A Message from Our Shepherd

A big THANK YOU to Bro. Reagan for his sermon Sunday Morning. God's understanding of us is infinite (Ps. 147:5). It is impossible to hide from God's presence, and it is impossible to keep any secret from God (Eccl. 12:14). The Bible says that God knows:

- 1) the number of stars in the heavens and can call them all by their names (Ps.147:4).
- 2) the birds of the mountains and beasts of the field (Ps. 50:11).
- 3) when a bird falls to the ground (Matt. 6:26; 10:29).
- 4) the number of hairs on each one's head (Matt. 10:30).
- 5) all men and their deeds, even the secret things (Heb. 4:12; Eccl. 12:13-14).
- 6) the hearts of men (Ezek. 11:5; Jer. 17:10).
- 7) the future of men and events (Acts 2:23; 1 Pet. 1:19-20; Eph. 3:10-11).

This list does not begin to cover everything the Bible says about God's infinite knowledge, but the above should be proof enough for us to understand and conclude what it means to us.

What it says and means to us is that God knows all about our sins, even the secret thoughts of our minds which no one else knows (Luke 13:22-30). It should alert us that we must strive to be pure and righteous. It also tells us that God will not make mistakes in His judgments of us, and neither will we be overlooked or forgotten. It is fearful that God knows us so well (Heb. 10:31). It should be comforting to us knowing that God knows our sins, and He also knows our hearts, and whether we are striving to serve Him. Faith without works results is death.

"But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. (1 John 1:7-10). "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." (Rom. 8:28).

Let's keep praying for our sick, shut-ins and those not regularly attending because of indifference. Have a great week serving God and doing His will!

Dean Webb

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