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children

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.

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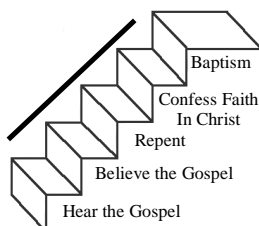
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SECRETARIES

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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)



Just Trust Me

When I was in school, I involved myself in debate. One of the foundational tenements in debating was to never offer information to support my side of the debate that I could not back-up with credible evidence. Without this back-up, I was arguing nothing more than my opinion which was no better than the opinion of my opponent.

More and more today we see people making statements that when challenged rather than present facts or evidence, they just say “trust me.” I have noticed this especially reading different opinion articles on a myriad of subjects. In most cases, I can simply ignore what is written if the author does not or is unwilling to provide some credible evidence or back-up for what they are writing or saying. In matters of opinion, it is well and good to simply ignore someone who offers nothing to support their opinion or position. However, when it comes to being obedient to our God, we must always insist and demand that any doctrinal position be reinforced with God’s word.

Whether the situation occurs in the Bible classroom, the pulpit, personal Bible study, a bulletin article, or any other form of communication of religious teaching, if there is not credible back-up from God’s word for what is being taught, then it has no value in our journey to inherit eternal life. “You have the words to eternal life” Peter told Jesus in John 6:68. Jesus taught that it was His words which would one day judge us all (John 12:48). My “opinion” has no value whatsoever in getting anyone to heaven. Nothing I can say or teach outside of God’s word will be used by God to render a final judgment on anyone outside of myself. (James 3:1)

Paul would instruct Timothy to “preach the word” (2 Tim. 4:2) as the foundation for his work as an evangelist and by so doing, he would fulfill his ministry. (2 Tim. 4:5) With something as valuable as my soul (Mark 8:35-37), why would I risk heaven on someone’s opinion or their “personal testimony?” Why would I trust anyone who was unwilling or unable to teach me from God’s word? Even the Bereans questioned Paul’s teachings so they searched the scriptures to confirm Paul was teaching God’s word! (Acts 17:10-11)

When it comes to our soul’s eternal destination, we must individually study the Bible to come to our understanding of what God would have us to do. (2 Tim. 2:15) Can we seek out others to help us in our understanding and even direct us to a better understanding of God’s word? Yes. (Acts 8:31-32; Acts 18:26) But the basis for that teaching must always be the word of God. I have no interest in using a creed book of any kind as the basis for my belief and understanding of God’s word. Do I trust teachers of God’s word without verifying for myself that they are teaching the truth? No. I have no interest whatsoever in the doctrine of men! (Mark 7:7)

I trust only the Lord and His word. (Psalms 11:1; 18:30)

Randy Reagan

News at Belt Line

FAMILY NEWS:

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

JUNE ASSIGNMENTS

GREETERS:

June 9 – Front Foyer – Robert & Cathy Taylor
Back Foyer – Mike & Sharon Haynes

June 16 – Front Foyer – Bobby Allen & Jerry Grantham
Back Foyer – Bill & Linda Matthews

Communion Preparation: Vern & Melody Lundquist

Contribution Counters: Darrell Allen & Robert Taylor

SERMONS

June 9 – a.m. “They Shall Bear Fruit In Their
Old Age”
Psalms 92:12-15
p.m. “Leaders Protect”
Acts 20:28-31

**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, Laura Jenkins, Dale Cox, Billie Prince, Elaine Neill, Patsy Swain, Jennifer Sassano, Vernon Sartain, Bret & Sara Rudd, Debra Alonzo, Jean Forbus

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)

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.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep **Linda Matthews's** sister-in-law **Marilyn McGuire** in your prayers as she is having health issues caused from her hip surgery.

Prayers have been requested on behalf of **Oscar Bushar** and his wife **Beth**. They are friends of **Alice Worth**. **Oscar** is under the care of Hospice.

Randy Nowlin, a friend of **Donna Davis** also needs our prayers.

Henry Seidmeyer is also struggling with his health. He needs our visits and cards as it is very difficult for him to hear on the phone.

Paul Kelly is undergoing more treatments at MD Anderson in Houston.

There are many others who are dealing with short term health issues. Please remember them in your daily prayers.

SUMMER SERIES

Each Wednesday night for the next 13 weeks, the speakers will cover one chapter. Our speaker this week will be **David Westbrook**. His lesson will be from **Lamentations Chapter 1**. If you can, please read ahead each week so you are already familiar with the material. Equally important, please plan to attend each week.

Information is posted on the bulletin board about the **DFW Youth Series** from the **Bridgewood Church of Christ**, and also a **Spiritual Leadership Series** from the **Highland Church of Christ** in Fort Worth.

THANK YOU

Thank you for all the calls, cards, visits and prayers during my recuperating.

In Christ love,
LaFon Simpson

Our monthly **Evangelism and Outreach Meeting** will be on **Saturday, June 8th at 11:30 a.m.** at the Annex. Please plan on attending and bring your own lunch.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6/12/19 – Marco Arroyo – guest speaker

6/17/19 – 39'ers – Annex – 6:30 p.m.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Karen Rathbun*	6/2
Laquita Baker	6/2
Taylor Lee	6/14
Nadya Workman	6/22
Randy Reagan	6/22
Darrell Allen	6/23
Delisa Banister	6/24

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Robert & Cathy Taylor	6/13
John & Kim Mayer	6/30

*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)

6/9/19

SUNDAY PRAYERS

- | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Front Table</u> | <u>Rear Table</u> |
| • Nathan Allen | Bobby Allen |
| • Dean Webb | Glen Kelly |
| • Purman Cofer | Kenny Mayer |
| • John Mayer | Robert Taylor |
| • Thomas Rathbun | |
| • Curtis Vaughan | |

A.M.	Jerry McKey
	Jerry Baker
	Ken Lee
P.M.	Mike Haynes
	Dean Webb

SCRIPTURE READING

A.M.	Richard Renfro
	Psalms 92:12-15
P.M.	Jerry McKey
	Acts 20:28-31

LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Darrell Allen & Alex Mayer

SONG LEADERS

A.M.	Mike Haynes
P.M.	Jerry Baker

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Robert Taylor

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday	54	48	54	100
A.M. Worship	85	73	87	150
P.M. Worship	59	58	60	80
Wed. Class	43	45	48	85
Contribution	\$4915	\$6817	\$5536	\$5300

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
The Truth In Love – Hurst, Texas
Wayne Jackson – Christian Courier on the Web
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
William Garcia – Luis Loera – Jaelyn Downing
 Southwest School of Bible Studies – Garrett English

A Message from Our Shepherds

I would like to wish all our graduates from high school graduation the very best in their future outside of high school. It is always exciting to see them start a new episode of their life. As we are more involved in the world let us never forget where we come from. Always put God first in all you say and do.

I would like to share an article from the “Think” magazine I subscribe to. It is from the editors in the December 2018 issue and entitled “ONE MAN”.

“It’s all about Jesus. Sadly, sometimes we forget that. Because we are rugged individualists, sometimes we believe we can add to our salvation. Oh, we would never ever say that. And we would even teach against it. But the reality is that sometimes we live as though we will take what Jesus did for us at the cross and then add our good works to that in order to have eternal life in Heaven. Friends, we can’t add anything to the amazing gift Jesus gave us on that cross. If we could, then it would have been us on the cross instead of Him!

Almost two thousand years ago Christians in the church in Galatia were foolishly returning back to the Old Law. Paul asked in Galatians 3, “*This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?*” (**Gal. 3:2-3**).

Jesus left Heaven to come to a fallen world. He came and walked the streets healing people and teaching them. He performed miracles and preached repentance. He came and demonstrated love to the lost and provided us a perfect example. Jesus never, not one time sinned. Stop and really comprehend that for a moment. This means He never one time violated what He said was the greatest command—loving God with all his heart, soul, and mind.

Jesus came to this earth, was crucified, buried, and was resurrected on the third day. This fact—that He conquered death gives you and I hope. “*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead*” (**1 Peter 1:3**; see also **1 Corinthians 15:12-20**”).

So, let us all be mindful of what this ONE MAN did for us all. Have a great week.

--- Jerry McKey

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