

# **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.... 7:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday:

Ladies' Bible Class..Sep.—Apr.
\*See page 4 for current
meeting time.

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Darrell Allen Glen Kelly John Mayer

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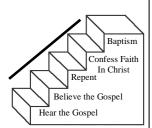
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Mike & Elizabeth Garrison

## 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)



#### Confidence In God-Psalm 23

Don Hatch

Historically David wrote songs ascribing the wellbeing of his life to God's rich providence. His recollections of how his earlier life was sustained and blessed were reflected in the Psalms written by him. Psalm 23 is written on an occasion where David's life seemed to have been blessed. He anticipated living in the house of the Lord forever. The pious heart of David gave God glory for all victories and reassurance during defeats. David's main subject is the watchful care of God which was extensive. He loved the subsequent assurance he felt as God providentially provided for him. The essential idea of being led by God was David's full belief that God would carry him through all events, great or small. Even in the presence of David's enemies God had provided. There is hidden within Psalm 23 a typical of Christ as the great shepherd of our soul (Jn 10). The ideals which are advanced in this Psalm are provisions for the needs of the soul. Substantiated are blessings temporal and spiritual.

The Old Testament is in its nature connected to the New Testament by types and typicals. The New Testament word for type is τυπτω [Greek] meaning to strike, make a visible impression by stroke. It can be an impression, form of a figure and pattern (Acts 7:44; 23:25; Heb 8:5; 1 Tim 4:12; Rom 5:14; 1 Cor 10:6). The types are cataloged as examples of features which remain a vital part New Testament's antitypicals. Antitypical is an item that is *foreshadowed by* or identified with an earlier symbol or type. Such as a figure in the New Testament which has a counterpart in the Old Testament. The Bible uses words and phrases to teach that things done aforetime were to instruct New Testament Christians by example. There are evils in the world and acceptable things with which the types and antitypes demonstrated (Rom 15:1-7; 1 Cor 10:6, 11). Within typical and antitypical is found admonitions and comfort. The story of Noah is certainly an object lesson on typicals and the New Testament antitypical of baptism (1 Pet 3:8-22). The flood was an admonition preceded by preaching about an impending catastrophe wherein eight souls would be saved in an ark. By faith Noah was warned. Noah was moved with godly fear to build an ark for the saving of

his family. People of God are to do His will (Jn 6:38; Eph 5:17). Noah and his family were saved through obedient faith (Heb 11:7). The significance of the flood as a type is undoubted. Noah was one commissioned by God to proclaim His name among the people of that time. The urgent message is a class of typicals teaching us to tell the whole world about God's love and wrath. The ark presents a symbol of a refuge God provides.

David teaches that God has a habitation, applying it to "green pastures and still waters" with calmness and repose wherein the soul of a believer is refreshed, fully fed and is satisfied. The need of the soul is universal and timeless. The conviction of God abundantly providing for it is in a strictest sense the means that the weary soul, which is exhausted, sad and distressed, can be renewed. The symbolism of deliverance is present in Christ as the shepherd of our soul who leads us to His pastures (Acts 20:18-30). When a soul feels the gentle love of the Saviour there is no apprehension and a peace that passes all understanding prevails.

Restoring the soul is not about a "backslider". It refers to the exhausted soldier of the cross renewed after the battles of life. Those worn down by cares and fatigued by trials find in Jesus hope and joy. It is done in the name of the Lord. Christians are honored to be called "sons and daughters" of God. The feeling of confidence and assurance is wonderful.

The path of righteousness is an avenue by which a soul redeemed by the Lord finds its way home. The life under God's guidance aids us for His name's sake. God influences the entire life of a redeemed soul. He directs them in a loving manner. The valley of the shadow of death is a gloomy and dark place, but God is the light in darkness and no alarm fills the heart of the saved. The Shepherd is always near and cares. Fearing evil is displaced by being accompanied by the Savour who has already passed that way before. The crooked rod or staff has many uses like pulling the lamb out of peril or smiting a wolf or lion a fearful blow. The wants of life are set aside because He provides a table filled with spiritual food which is nourishing. It is set in the presence of enemies to manifest that God is greater than all. Divine favor is a typical repeated numerous times in the New Testament. A guest is always honored with an anointing and the cup is always refilled until it seems to run over. No one can out give our God. His house will one day become the home of our souls. We have loved the habitation of the Lord and have been blessed to approach Him in His habitation. The expressed desire of the Psalm is to teach by types that the New Testament manifests as comfort, patience and hope in the things written aforetime (Rom 15:1-13).

#### FAMILY CARE A Message from Our Shepherds

Suppose one were starving, in desperate need of nourishment lest he die. Sadly, there is no food, no, none to be found anywhere! What will happen? That one will surely die. Suppose one were sick, in pain, suffering, in dire need of medical help and facing death otherwise. Regrettably, there are no doctors, nurses, hospitals or medicines. None can help him. What will happen? He, likewise faces physical death.

Now, suppose one is in sin, burdened with guilt and condemned, desperately needing salvation, forgiveness, cleansing from his sin, but there is no Savior. What will happen? He, too, will surely die, for sin brings spiritual death, and ultimately, eternal death (James 1:14-15). Yet, thanks be to God, there is a Savior. Jesus died for your sins. He left the glory of Heaven with steadfast determination to make possible man's salvation and, knowing full well what faced Him, willingly and lovingly gave His life for us. He took upon Himself the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men that He might experience death for every man, and He humbled himself in obedience unto the death of the cross (Heb. 2:9; Phil. 2:5-8). Why? Because man needed God's love and the provision of God's love—a remedy for sin (John 3:16; Rom. 5:8-9).

That Jesus died for our sins is good news. That the Son of God died is not good news, but that the Son of God died for our sins is good news (1 Cor. 15:1-4). Further, He lives again, and, by His resurrection, we have hope of certain victory (1 Cor. 15:54-58). Jesus died for our sins, that, we, being dead to sins, might not die in sin (Rom. 6)

Jerry McKey

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"But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of the faith, lay hold on the life eternal, whereunto thou wast called, and didst confess the good confession in the sight of many witnesses. I charge thee in the sight of God, who giveth life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed the good confession; that thou keep the commandment, without spot, without reproach, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: which in its own times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; who only hath immortality, dwelling in light unapproachable; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honor and power eternal. Amen. Charge them that are rich in this present world, that they be not highminded, nor have their hope set on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, that they be ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on the life which is life indeed (1 Tim 6:11-19).

#### "Let Him Glory In The Lord"

"For behold your calling, brethren, that not many wise after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: but God chose the foolish things of the world, that he might put to shame them that are wise; and God chose the weak things of the world, that he might put to shame the things that are strong; and the base things of the world, and the things that are despised, did God choose, yea and the things that are not, that he might bring to nought the things that are: that no flesh should glory before God. But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who was made unto us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption: that, according as it is written, He that glorieth let him glory in the Lord (1 Cor 1:26-31).

Each faithful believer should frequently resort to prayer considering things great and small and the calling in Christ Jesus (2 Pet 1:3-11). God has called all through the "foolishness of the thing preached -i.e. Christ and His cross" (1 Cor 1:18-25). Individuals who are dead in their sins, separated from Christ, alienated from the source of salvation, having no covenant of promise, hopeless and without God consider the preaching of the cross of Calvary foolishness and incomprehensible. But those who are called, Jew and Greek, find the power of God in His divine message. God is stronger than man. Christ's power to redeem mankind was revealed in His resurrection (Rom 1:1-5). The power of the resurrection was the "sign the Jews needed". The words of the cross were the "wisdom the Greeks needed". Comparing the difference of God to man is seen in His ability to save and redeem mankind through the cross. The redeemed are called to be holy and a people for God's own possession (1 Pet 2:1-10). They are to show forth the excellences of Him who called them out of darkness into His marvelous light (Col 1:13-18; Eph 4:1).

Believers are willing to endure the reproach of the cross showing humility and a Christian disposition (Gal 5:22, 23). Superiority is serving all (Jn 13:1-20). Each must seek the advancement of another's spiritual blessings. Self immoderations put off service to others. Among the prominent persons in the first century were those who served. An imposing nature is seen in "those who are rich in this present world" finding a service to perform (1 Tim 6:17-19). God used things of this world called "foolish" to demonstrate the simplicity of holiness. Jesus had used "meekness" as a demonstration of finding rest for the soul (Mat 11:28, 29). Boasting of accomplishments, possessions and achievements overlook the Benefactor, God, who gave talents, times and circumstance for such accomplishments. Praise of God is the most beneficial time spent by a Christian. God will dishonor the wise, nullify the things that men count important, reduce the strong to weakness and shame those claiming worldly wisdom. Transitory standards must give way to eternal provisions for the soul. God executes His plan according to His sovereign power.

**Note that being in Christ** brings us nigh to God, gives hope, makes one a partaker of Christ and His kingdom and church. "...as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord" (1 Cor 1:31). **Don Hatch** 

# Family News:

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

#### GREETER ASSIGNMENTS March 24, 2013

Front foyer: Glen Kelly & Doris

Back foyer: Carol Swinney & Fay

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#### March 31, 2013

*Front foyer:* Dale & Katherine Cox

Back foyer: Steven & Sara

Grosshuesch

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#### Sermon Titles March 24, 2013

a.m: "I Am Not The Christ" Scripture: John 3:22 p.m: "Windows Of Heaven" Scripture: 2 Kings 7:1-2

## March 31, 2013

a.m: "Jesus The Resurrection" Scripture: Acts 4:1-4 p.m: "Fifth Sunday Singing" Scripture: TBA

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## Contribution Counters For March

Glen Kelly & Thomas Rathbun

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#### Communion Preparation For March

Dale & Katherine Cox

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#### MISSION PRINTING

Mission Printing will meet *Sunday* at 4:00 p.m. in the Jr. Auditorium.

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#### **SINGING CLASS**

The singing class will meet *Sunday* in Rm #116 at 5:15 p.m. Come and learn some new songs.

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Erma Lee Baker, Bobby Bowen, Fauna Garrett, Frances LaFerney, Jan Smithson, Maxine Prude, Hank Henry, Elsie Nanney, Laquita Baker, Roy & Helen Thomas, Tim Fowler, Marietta Houser, Thomas West, Mary Walker, Billie Myers, Shelia Martin, James Brown, Andrew Waldrum, Jane Easter, Gearldean Jones

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#### **Those In Need Of Prayer**

'David and Faye West's daughter Linda (Sue) Pittman was moved to Rehab in Granbury, Tx. Their grandson Gary Pittman had emergency surgery last Sunday.

'Andrew Waldrum is in Children's Medical Center.

'Joy Webb is not feeling well.

'Alice Worthy will be having stomach surgery Tuesday morning, March 19<sup>th</sup> at Las Colinas Medical Center.

'Sherry Hodge will be having a procedure done on Friday, March  $22^{nd}$  at Las Colinas Medical Center.

'Nancy Pond is sick with a cold. 'Beverly McKey is not feeling well.

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#### **LADIES**

**Ladies Bible Class** will be taught by **Marcella Porter** on **March 19**<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. in the Annex.

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#### THANK YOU

#### **Dear Christian Friends**,

Each expression of your love and sympathy means so much to me and my family. Thank you for the beautiful flowers, your calls, your visits, the donations, the cards, and all the food. Most of all thank you for the prayers, love, thoughts and support during this difficult time. Also thank you for helping me through this time of adjustment. I love all of you and cherish your friendship.

### In Christian Love, Jerry Grantham & Family

A special **Thank You** is extended to **Beverly McKey** for the wonderful, informative teacher's workshop she gave on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>. Those in attendance left with better ideas on how to teach our children the Bible.

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#### 39'ers

**39'ers** will meet on March 18<sup>th</sup>, tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex.

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#### LADIES 1/2 DAY

There are cards for the **Ladies** ½ **Day** in both foyers. Please take as many as you need if you need more let us know.

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#### **SYMPATHY**

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Gladys Barnes.** She passed away on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Her funeral service was Saturday at 1:00 p.m. here at the building with interment at Laurel Land.

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#### **GOSPEL MEETING**

A meeting will be held at the Robinson Rd. church of Christ Grand Prairie, Tx. March 29-31. **Kevin Rhodes** of Cleburne, Tx. will be the speaker. Sermon title is "**Treasures of Christianity**". Information is on the bulletin board.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/26/13 - Ladies Bible Class - 10 a.m.

#### **MARCH BIRTHDAY'S**

Kenny Mayer – 3/2

Xavier Kaiser – 3/6

B.C. Fowler -3/6

Don Overturf \*- 3/7

James Gilliam - 3/7

Vicky Askins - 3/8

Tiffany Dawson - 3/9

Dana Hodgkins - 3/11

Thomas West - 3/12

Shellie Pearce - 3/16

Jerry Baker – 3/18

Kay Overturf – 3/19

Kelly Allen – 3/24

Carol Swinney - 3/25

Billie Gilliam – 3/26

Pansy Yankey - 3/30

#### MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Don\* & Kay Overturf – 3/12 Grady & B.C. Fowler - 3/17 Jerry & Beverly McKey - 3/24 Gary & Nadya Workman – 3/29

If unable to serve on the Lord's table, Please contact Mike Batot at: (972)741-2397

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#### THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

#### LORD'S TABLE/MORNING

Front Table Rear Table ·Dale Cox ·Bill Paschall ·Scot Allen ·Thomas Rathbun ·Mike Garrison ·Don Herriage ·Steven Grossheusch ·J.C. Ross

·Henry Seidmeyer

·Bill Matthews

·John Mayer

·Bill Paschall

A.M. SONG LEADER

LORD'S TABLE/EVENING

**COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS** 

·Bobby England

#### 3/24/13 SUNDAY A.M. PRAYERS

· Jerry McKey

· John Mayer

· Richard Renfro

#### A.M. SCRIPTURE READING

· Mike Batot John 3:22-30

#### SUNDAY P.M. PRAYERS

· Dean Webb

· Dale Cox

P.M. SCRIPTURE READING · Bill Paschall

2 Kings 7:1-2

#### P.M. SONG LEADER(S)

#### ·Darrell Allen · Jerry Baker

	<b>Last Week</b>	This Week	YTD Avg.	<u>Goal</u>
Sun. Class	67	74	75	100
A.M. Worship	122	125	136	150
P.M. Worship	81	69	70	80
Wed. Class	59	64	69	85
Contribution	\$4451	\$5310	\$5284	\$5470

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

#### **MISSIONS**

Willie & Del Gley - Ghana/Togo, Africa

Charlie & Mary DiPalma - Australia

Roland & Rose Mohsen - France

Glen Tattersall - Australia

Gary & Nadya Workman - Ukraine

Oleg & Natasha Yakimenko - Russia

Wil & Telanda Sadler - Military Missions

Christ's Haven Children's Home - Keller, TX Foster's Home for Children - Stephenville, TX

Wayne Jackson - Christian Courier on the Web

Preaching Student – Roy Conner

Ted Lingren - Sisophon Bible School - Cambodia

Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

Terry & Pam Laurence - Ft. Defiance, Arizona - Navajo Nation

Dennis & Beth Johnson - Chennai Teacher Training School - India

Rohan & Sandra Jones - Cape Town, South Africa

David & Paula Tarbet - New Milford, CT

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