

# **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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Jerry McKey Richard Renfro Dean Webb

## **DEACONS**

Darrell Allen Glen Kelly John Mayer

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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)



# **How Much Is Too Much?**

Some time back I was made regretfully aware that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) allows a certain level of insects, mold, rodent hair, rodent excrement, cigarette butts, sticks, and "other foreign matter" in the food that we buy. Discounting the thought that I am eating the above in my meals unaware, I cannot help but wonder how someone somewhere determined an acceptable level of these items in food! Those of you who I have not already lost due to revealing things you would probably just as soon not know, may be wondering exactly what this could have to do with anything spiritual.

God has always demanded a level of purity in His people. Under the Old Testament Law of Moses, when the death penalty was enforced invariably the rationale God gave was that the evil had to be removed from the people. (Deut. 13:5; 17:7; 17:12; 19:19; 21:21; 22:21-24; 24:7) The evidence is overwhelming about God's requirements concerning the importance of maintaining purity at all costs.

A similar situation occurred in the church of Corinth. In 1 Corinthians 5, Paul condemns the church because they were not only allowing open known immorality to exist within the congregation, but in this knowledge they had become "puffed up" about the situation. (vs. 2) They were PROUD of this sin. Rather than mourn about the condition as they should, they were glorying in this immorality.

Paul will quickly correct their perception and give them unmistakable direction on what they had to do. They were to deliver this individual who was guilty of the immorality to Satan with the hope of saving his soul. (vs. 5) As Christians, they were to sever the spiritual relationship with him as long as he continued in this sin. (vs. 7) Paul used the example of leaven in bread to emphasize the reasoning for this withdrawal of fellowship. "...a little leaven leavens the whole lump." (vs. 6) An attitude of tolerance, or looking the other way, could not be condoned because allowing this evil to exist in the church would also allow it to spread throughout the whole church. Eventually this evil would corrupt the good that existed within the congregation. (1 Cor. 15:33) When speaking to Timothy, Paul warned about allowing the "cancer" of false teaching to spread throughout the church. (2 Tim. 2:17)

In far too many congregations, we have become like the church at Corinth. In the name of "tolerance," we have arbitrarily determined an "acceptable" amount of evil that should be permitted to exist among the brethren. We should be loving (1 Jn. 2:10) and forgiving towards one another (Matt. 18:22; Mk. 11:26), but this cannot and must not extend to an acceptance of evil conduct within the congregation. Paul insisted the Corinthian church was not to have any association at all with a brother who was actively participating in sinful conduct. (1 Cor. 5:11)

How much is too much? According to the Bible, any "leaven" at all is too much. Same with bugs in my food!

Randy Reagan

#### News at Belt Line

# **FAMILY NEWS:**

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

## OCTOBER ASSIGMENTS

#### **GREETERS:**

Oct. 13 – Front Foyer – Elizabeth Garrison & Nancy Pond Back Foyer – Mike & Sharon Haynes

Oct. 20 – Front Foyer – Bobby & Brenda England Back Foyer – Thomas Rathbun & Doris Selby

**Communion Preparation:** Bill & Linda Matthews

**Contribution Counters:** Darrell Allen & Robert Taylor

## **SERMONS**

Oct. 13 – a.m. "Revive Us Again" Psalms 85:4-8

> p.m. "When I Wake Up You Are Still With Me" Psalms 139:17-18

# 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, Billie Prince, 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

**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.

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# **LADIES**

Ladies Bible Class is Tuesday morning October 8, 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 "Love & Stand Fast" (1<sup>st</sup> half). Please plan on attending and invite your friends and neighbors.

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## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Richard Renfro** is still recovering from his surgery. **Virginia Debrick** fell and broke her right arm. She is also badly bruised.

**Bobby Allen** is recovering from eyelid surgery.

**Jim Walters** has requested prayers as he will be having tests on his legs.

**Kent Conner** has requested prayers for his ongoing chronic health issues.

**Delisa Banister** has requested prayers for her family and especially for her daughter **Kaylea**.

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

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We extend our deepest sympathy to **Barbara Reagan** on the passing of her adopted mother yesterday. Her service will be Tuesday in Plano.

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**Ladies** – please mark your calendar for our Annual <u>Solo</u> <u>Sister's Luncheon</u>. It will be **November 16**<sup>th</sup> (11:00 – 1:00 p.m.)

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## 39'ers Monthly Pot Luck

Due to our Gospel Meeting on Monday night at 7:00 p.m. October 21<sup>st</sup>, we will **not** have our monthly 39'ers get-together that evening.

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We will have a workday on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> to get ready for our Gospel Meeting. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is needed to come help us as there is plenty to be done.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# No 39'ers for October

## **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Anne Herriage	10/5
LaFon Simpson	10/7
Gearldean Jones	10/8
Annette Kaiser	10/10
Carolyn Renfro	10/14
Delia Watley	10/19
Janie Walker	10/19
Marinell Zaun	10/20
Tori Morris	10/21
Jan Smithson	10/22
Richard Renfro	10/22
Barbara Hatcher	10/24
Letitia Beverly	10/26
Mike Haynes	10/26
Bobby England	10/30
Sandy Hall	10/31

#### **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Bobby & Brenda England	10/9
Robert & Betty Ruckman	10/10
Richard & Carolyn Renfro	10/15
Darrell & Melissa Allen	10/24

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)**

## 10/13/19

#### **SUNDAY PRAYERS**

Front Table	Rear Table	A.M.	Richard Renfro
Thomas Rathbun	Vern Lundquist		Dean Webb
Nathan Allen	Billy Joe Swain		Ken Lee
Kenny Mayer	Glen Kelly	P.M.	Curtis Vaughan
Mike Haynes	Robert Taylor		Kenny Mayer

# Curtis Vaughan

#### Purman Cofer

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

A.M. Jerry Baker Psalms 85:4-8 P.M. Mike Haynes Psalms 139:17-18

# LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Dean Webb & Darrell Allen

## **COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS**

Robert Taylor

**SONG LEADERS** A.M. Jerry McKey Nathan Allen P.M.

#### FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	Last Week	This Week	YTD Avg.	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday	52	54	55	100
A.M. Worship	91	93	89	150
P.M. Worship	67	65	62	80
Wed. Class	55	59	51	85
Contribution	\$4593	\$6499	\$5353	\$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

# A Message from Our Shepherd

This is the email that Bro. Randy read an excerpt from, Sunday morning. Please pray for Bro. Rene and his family as they go through so much distressing hard times.

#### **REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 2019**

Your selfless sacrifice in the encouragement and spreading of the Gospel in this part of the world, through your hard-earned dollar has actually saved many lives both spiritually and materially. This month witnessed the greatest challenges both in worship and evangelism. The Cameroon crises between the regular French troops and the separatist fighters (Amba Boys) resulted in the loss of many lives and high displacement of families which include Christians. We were temporally holding worship activities in a hideout in the bushes. We lost two brethren at Bandum who died because of no medical facilities.

In the midst of this, my son Good luck Caleb (sickle cell anemia) experience one of his worst crises. I took him to neighboring Nigeria. We thank God he is gradually recovering. My mother and wife all took ill, even at the moment, there is no medical attention provided for them. This is my greatest challenge for the moment.

I request that you pray for my family. Even where they are for the moment, there is no security and I don't know how I can move them to Nigeria due to financial challenges.

This report was supposed to be backed by details images but my phone does not support storage. I pray if I can service the phone that I would be giving details report.

May our good Lord greatly reward you both in this life and in the hereafter. Let your light so shine before men, that they may glorify your father in Heaven.

Thank and remain bless. AYIME RENE (His August email:)

Richard Renfro

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