



Where families worship,
serve and raise their
children

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 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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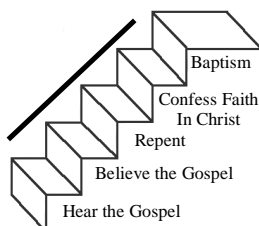
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SECRETARIES

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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)



Parenting 101

“Parents arrested in California after toddler sons found in cages” blasted the headlines recently. “Two parents in northern California were arrested for child endangerment after authorities allegedly found their two toddler sons inside cages bolted to a bedroom wall.” I am not sure how you “allegedly” find children in cages, but that is another question for another time.

More and more it seems that we read and hear about children who have been abused, killed, and even “sold” by their own parents. I worked with abused children so I know first-hand how cruel parents can be to their own children. It is horrifying to see what is done to children by their own parents. You can blame it on drugs, alcohol, “anger issues,” frustration, or apathy, but the bottom line is the children always suffer.

There are no “experts” who know more than God about parenting. The Bible says children are a “heritage from the Lord...a reward” and bring happiness. (Ps. 127:3-5) Parents are commanded to train a child in the way that they are to go for their entire lives. (Prov. 22:6) Included in their training is developing their own parenting skills. We instill in them the ability to be good adults, fathers, husbands, mothers, and wives. (Prov. 4:3-4) We train our children in the admonition of the Lord. (Eph. 6:4) Obviously God would never approve or condone putting our children in a cage, either because we didn’t want to deal with them or as some perverted form of punishment.

Because so many parents today are abusing children, many Christians have bought into the devil’s lie that children must **not** be disciplined by their parents. The truth is, parents who refuse to train and discipline their children are in defiance of God’s commandments. “Do not withhold correction from a child...” (Prov. 23:13) Since “Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of correction will drive it far from him.” (Prov. 22:15) Discipline is part of the training of the child and is essential to their development as adults. “The rod and rebuke give wisdom...” (Prov. 29:15)

Discipline is difficult and never easy to administer. But discipline is critical for our children. Some parents won’t discipline because they say they “love” their children too much. This is not true according to God. “He who spares his rod hates his son, But he who loves him disciplines him promptly.” (Prov. 13:24; Rev. 3:19) When we discipline our children properly in a Godly manner, we “deliver his soul from hell.” (Prov. 23:14) Likewise, our children are commanded to listen to instruction (Prov. 4:1-2; 7:24) and accept the training and discipline of parents. (Heb. 12:5-10)

The problem is easy to understand. Too many people want children but do not want to be parents. Children require parents. Children are NOT capable of parenting themselves! (Prov. 29:15) Prior to having children, everyone should consider whether they want to or are prepared to be parents. If they do not want to be parents, do not have children! Children are too precious to ever be mistreated or unloved by their parents. (Luke 17:2; Matt. 18:10)

Randy Reagan

FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line

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

MAY ASSIGMENTS

GREETERS:

May 12 –Front Foyer – Bobby & Brenda England
Back Foyer – Billy Joe Swain & Nancy Pond

May 19 –Front Foyer – Bill & Linda Matthews
Back Foyer – Richard & Carolyn Renfro

Communion Preparation: Mary Wise & Doris Selby
Contribution Counters: John Mayer & Thomas Rathbun

SERMONS

May 12 – a.m. “Am I Your Enemy?”

Galatians 4:16

p.m. “Partaking Of The Lord’s Supper”

Luke 22:14-20

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

Ongoing Health Concerns: David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Ezra Castro, Nellie Melvin, Grady Fowler, Paul Kelly, Barbara Reagan, Alice Worthy, Sherry Hodge, Bill & Linda Matthews, Polly Roses, 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 **Jim Walters** in your prayers as he is still dealing with skin cancer.

Barbara Reagan will have back surgery again on Tuesday. Please keep her in your prayers.

Debra Alonzo is having heart problems. Her mother **Jean Forbus** has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Please keep both of them in your prayers.

Cindy Derbyshire’s cousin **Cheree Buchanan** has Lymphoma Cancer and needs our prayers.

Jackye Jewett’s son **Jerry** is in ICU in Webster, Tx.

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

There will be **NO Ladies Bible Class** until September.

There will be a **TEEN WORKDAY** on **May 18th**. If you have any work for them to do around your home, please contact Darrell Allen or John Mayer.

LADIES

Ladies we need your help for next year’s **Ladies Half-Day Event**. Please submit to the office your suggestions for a **speaker** and a **topic** that you would like to hear. We need these by **May 20th** so we can contact the speaker.

ADDRESS CHANGE

Marcella Porter: 3700 Silverio Trail
Bedford, Texas 76021
Phone: 214-621-4661

LADIES DAY EVENT

There is a Ladies Day at Village Creek Church of Christ on May 18, 2019. Further information is on the bulletin board.

Our **39’ers** get-together this month on **May 20th** will be a **“build your own taco meal.”** The meat, some fixings and dessert will be provided. Items needed to finish the meal are: beans, soft tortillas, olives, tomatoes, onions, fruit.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

5/20/19 – 39’ers – Annex – 6:30 p.m.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Vicki Catlin	5/1
Curtis Vaughan	5/11
Kati Mimms	5/13
Jerry McKey	5/14
Janice Daniel	5/16
Myrtle Wade	5/21
Hannah Derbyshire	5/24
Susan Krueger	5/27
Margaret Lewis	5/27
Polly Roses	5/30

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Anne Herriage	5/18
Dean & Joy Webb	5/23

*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)

5/12/19

SUNDAY PRAYERS

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Front Table</u> | <u>Rear Table</u> |
| • Ken Lee | Bobby England |
| • Richard Renfro | Nathan Allen |
| • Dorris Walker | Vern Lundquist |
| • Kenny Mayer | Robert Taylor |
| • Alex Mayer | |
| • Don Herriage | |

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| A.M. | Dean Webb |
| | Jerry Baker |
| | Alex Mayer |
| P.M. | Kenny Mayer |
| | Thomas Rathbun |

LORD’S TABLE (EVENING)

Mike Haynes & John Mayer

SONG LEADERS

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

SCRIPTURE READING

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| A.M. | Don Herriage |
| | Galatians 4:16 |
| P.M. | Alex Mayer |
| | Luke 22:14-20 |

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Darrell Allen

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday	54	57	55	100
A.M. Worship	89	84	88	150
P.M. Worship	75	63	61	80
Wed. Class	50	48	47	85
Contribution	\$6256	\$5528	\$5623	\$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

NOTICE: When walking through our parking lot be careful to not step on the crack sealant. It seems some of the filled cracks is with tar only. They were supposed to use virgin Rubber sealant. Warmer temperatures cause Tar to soften and stick to your shoe. We are going to try to deal with it in the near future.

The Belt Line congregation has always maintained support to carry on its work without desperation. The elders highly commend you, and hopefully we'll be able to continue our good works keeping the tradition. Belt Line has always arisen to every special need that has been presented to the congregation by the eldership in years gone by. Therefore, by your generosity and love for the truth makes Belt Line a God fearing shining light in the brotherhood and community.

Every effort being put forth at Belt Line is dedicated to teaching and preaching the truth. Our teachers, our preacher and our members are totally committed to having God's truth taught in a pure and understanding way to build us up, and convict and convert the lost.

Truth is the most precious commodity on the market. The wise man Solomon said, "buy the truth, and sell it not" (Prov. 23:23). All truth comes from God for God cannot lie (Titus 1:2). All falsehood comes from the Devil, who is a liar with no truth in him (John 8:44).

Christ, the Son of God, told the people of His day, "ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). It is truth that men must believe and obey to be saved (1 Peter 1:22). It is the truth by which men must live, and it is the truth by which men will someday be judged (John 12:48). The only reason for believing and practicing any religious doctrine is because it is the truth. Truth is absolute and is not changed by what men think about it. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6).

The elders wish we could have more in attendance at all of our services. Our concerns are being directed to those who are able, but not willing to put forth the effort. We need to do a self examination, and see if the results can't be greatly improved. Hope to see everyone possible at our next meeting times!

Keep in your prayers all of our sick and shut-in, and have a great week serving God!

--- Dean Webb

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