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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:
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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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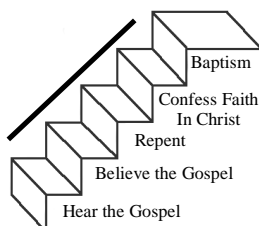
Darrell Allen
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SECRETARIES

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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)



Hate Speech

Satan is such a master of taking a little bit of truth and “repackaging” it to include error or misrepresentation. When Satan tempted Jesus in the wilderness, he took scripture and either took it out of context or only used part of what God had said to tempt Jesus. (Matt. 4:3-11)

So, while God’s word clearly and completely forbids His children from speaking with hate, Satan has taken that teaching and put his own little “twist” to it. Make no mistake; any speech filled with true hate must be condemned. Our speech should always be “with grace.” (Col. 4:6) We should guard our mouths and watch carefully what we say. (Ps. 141:3) James forbade words coming from our tongues he described as “bitter” water. (James 3:11) The same mouth that blesses God cannot utter cursing! (James 3:10)

Satan has taken that teaching and now he is classifying the teaching and defense of God’s word as “hate speech.” For example, in Colorado, cake artist Jack Phillips was compared to a Nazis because he refused to make a cake for a homosexual couple because of God’s teachings on homosexuality. Jack was required to attend a form of sensitivity training.

In Oregon it was suggested that Aaron and Melissa Klein needed to be “rehabilitated” before they had even had a hearing because they refused to make a wedding cake for a homosexual couple. Understand they did not forbid them from purchasing a cake. They simply refused to create a “personalized” cake honoring the homosexual “marriage.” Aaron and Melissa had to pay a penalty of \$135,000 – one of the highest penalties Oregon’s Bureau of Labor and Industries has ever imposed on anyone. Their business was bankrupted. The US Supreme Court recently sent the case back to the Oregon Supreme Court for them to issue a new decision based in part on Colorado’s ruling. Of course, Aaron and Melissa could have avoided all of this by just doing what the state demanded they do: bake the cake. Had they done so, they would have avoided paying a \$135,000 penalty, being told in a gag order not to even talk about the situation, being told they required rehabilitation of their beliefs, and being subjected to an onslaught of vile hate speech from the general public, including death threats to them and their children.

These are just two examples of a dramatic shift in our country when it comes to what God says versus what our government may say/dictate. When the apostles were confronted with just such a choice, it really was no choice to them. Peter and the apostles told the government leaders, “We ought to obey God rather than men.” (Acts 5:29)

We are seeing the same thing play out in the abortion battle. If you stand for the life of the unborn, you are accused of spewing “hate speech.” It may very well be that our future in this country will be determined by whether we obey God or man. Any reference to the Bible and what God says may soon ALL be labeled as hate speech. Are we ready to defend our God and His word?

Randy Reagan

News at Belt Line

FAMILY NEWS:

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

AUGUST ASSIGMENTS

GREETERS:

August 11–Front Foyer–Elizabeth Garrison & Jeanene Heilman
Back Foyer –Mike & Sharon Haynes

August 18 – Front Foyer– Barbara Reagan & Nancy Pond
Back Foyer – Bill & Linda Matthews

Communion Preparation: Robert & Cathy Taylor

Contribution Counters: Glen Kelly & Kenny Mayer

SERMONS

August 11 – a.m. “My Sin Is Always Before Me”

Psalms 51:1-4

p.m. “Will A Man Rob God?”

Malachi 3:6-9

**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

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

Jerry Prox (frequent visitor) has asked for prayers for him and his grandsons. They are going through a difficult time.

Please keep in your prayers **Carolyn Renfro's** brother-in-law **Joe Shero**. He has been having health issues and had a heart catheterization Thursday.

Myrtle Wade is now home recovering from a stay in the hospital last week.

Jeanene Heilman's brother **Joe Farley** needs our prayers as he has cancer.

Leonard Herring, a one year old friend of **Charlie and Sandy Hall** will have day surgery on Tuesday to correct esophageal issues.

Virginia Hart has requested prayers for her granddaughter who has been diagnosed with thyroid cancer.

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

SUMMER SERIES

Each Wednesday night our guest speakers will cover one chapter. Our speaker this week, August 7th will be **Ken Hope**. His lesson will be from **Song Of Solomon - Chapter 5**. If you can, please read ahead each week so you are already familiar with the material. Equally important, please plan to attend each week.

Don't forget if you want copies of any of the lessons or all of the lessons for our **Summer Series**, please fill out one of the requests located at both entrances to the building. Thank you Brother Matthews for recording and making these copies.

Don't forget we meet at the Annex on Saturday **August 10th** at 11:30 A.M. for personal evangelism and outreach. We have several efforts in process and others in the planning

Please turn in your filled **Green Cans** for Foster's Children's home by **September 4th**.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/7/19 – Ken Hope – guest speaker

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Amber Vaughan	8/5
Patti Kidd	8/6
David Odom	8/11
Donna Davis	8/25
Melody Lundquist	8/31
Sandra Williams	8/31

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Dorris & Janie Walker	8/5
Bill & Linda Matthews	8/22
Thomas & Karen* Rathbun	8/26
Dale & Katherine Cox	8/30
Jerry & Laquita Baker	8/31
Bill & Linda Matthews	8/22

*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)

<u>Front Table</u>	<u>Rear Table</u>
• Purman Cofer	Kenny Mayer
• Richard Renfro	Glen Kelly
• John Mayer	Bobby England
• Nathan Allen	Vern Lundquist
• Thomas Rathbun	
• Kent Conner	

LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)

Alex Mayer & Curtis Vaughan

SONG LEADERS

A.M. Darrell Allen
P.M. Mike Haynes

8/11/19

SUNDAY PRAYERS

A.M. Dean Webb
Darrell Allen
Curtis Vaughan
P.M. John Mayer
Jerry Baker

SCRIPTURE READING

A.M. Kenny Mayer
Psalms 51:1-4
P.M. Richard Renfro
Malachi 3:6-9

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	52	55	100
A.M. Worship	87	86	88	150
P.M. Worship	63	74	61	80
Wed. Class	50	57	50	85
Contribution	\$4946	6788	5461	\$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

We have four more sessions in our summer series. We trust each of us has attended as many Wednesday evenings as we could. Please make an extra effort to attend the remaining services in this series of study.

In this age of chaos and change, what are some unchangeable truths to which we can hold? The Bible teaches:

- 1) Salvation from sin is found only in/through Jesus Christ. (Acts 4:12)
- 2) The church built by Christ is “THE SAVED.” Jesus came to earth to “seek and save the lost.” To accomplish His purpose, He built His church, purchasing it with His precious blood, apart from which there is no remission of sins. Those who are saved are added to Christ’s church by the Lord Himself. Since the Lord adds the saved to His church and since He is the savior of the church, His body, all who are saved are in Christ’s spiritual body – His church. Luke 19:10, Matt. 16:18, Acts 2:47; Acts 20:28, Eph. 5:23, Heb. 9:22)
- 3) The church you read about in the New Testament is not a denomination; rather, it is the body of Christ over which Jesus is the head – the only head. (Eph. 1:22-23; Col. 1:18)
- 4) Salvation from sin requires submission to Christ as Savior and to His plan for salvation. The Lord saves those who believe in Him as the Son of God, repent of their sins and are baptized into Christ for the remission of their sins. (John 8:24; Acts 2:38; Mark 16:15-16)
- 5) Acceptable worship to God, the Father, must be in “spirit & truth.” (John 4:23-24) Worship and living should be to please Him, not ourselves!
- 6) True followers of Jesus are readily identified by their love for one another. (John 13:35) Genuine Christians are “ready unto every good work.” (Titus 3:1) Faithful disciples keep themselves “unspotted from the world” as they “visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction.” (James 1:27) As the “salt of the earth” and the “light of the world,” God’s children live “soberly, righteously and godly” in this present evil world. (Titus 2:11-12)
- 7) The holy scriptures, inspired of God, furnish a man completely unto all good works (2Tim. 3:16-17) The Bible is the standard of authority; it is our guide for life. When respected and obeyed, God’s written word will guide us to eternal life—a home in heaven (Acts 20:32)

Pray for the sick and shut-ins and those undergoing treatments that God will bless them with His healing power. We should all meet with the saints at every opportunity!

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