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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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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.

## MINISTER

Randy Reagan

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## ELDERS

Jerry McKey  
Richard Renfro  
Dean Webb

## DEACONS

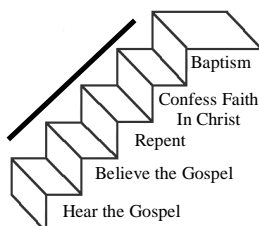
Darrell Allen  
Glen Kelly  
John Mayer

## SECRETARIES

Janice Daniel & Jerry Grantham  
beltlinechurch@sbcglobal.net

## **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)



## “Can a Christian Be Politically Correct?”

In the world in which we live, it is becoming more and more difficult to keep up with the “social norms” when it comes to what can and cannot be said. Granted, our speech should always be “with grace, seasoned with salt” (Col 4:6) but it should always be “bold” (1 Thes. 2:2; 2 Cor. 3:12) when it comes to the word of God. There are many in our world who are trying to control the spread of the Gospel by demanding that only those things of which they approve are spoken. If what can be preached and taught is controlled or limited then the Gospel message is diminished in its power to save the lost soul (Rom. 1:16).

The Bible is full of examples of God’s people suffering persecution for telling the truth. Jeremiah was thrown in prison because he refused to write and prophesy falsely to please the people (Jer. 38:1-6).

When Peter and John were pulled before the Sanhedrin for their preaching and teaching Peter told them “we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.” (Acts 4:20) Paul suffered tremendously because he refused to be “politically correct” with his preaching and teaching (2 Cor. 11:23-28). Paul warned Timothy that the time would come when Christians would seek teachers who would only teach the “politically correct” things for them to hear (2 Tim. 4:3-4). Jesus was murdered by the Jews because of what He said (Matt 26:65).

So, for the faithful child of God, rather than speak those things which will “tickle” the politically correct of the world, we commit to please God with what we say rather than men (Gal 1:10; Acts 5:29). When the words of the Bible are branded as “hate speech” we must have the courage to fight for the faith as delivered to the saints (Jude vs. 3). When our own brethren demand that we not speak the truth in love (Eph. 4:15) but rather speak “smooth words” as well as lies and deceits (Isa. 30:10), we must become even more bold in our determination to stand against the “wiles of the devil.” (Eph. 6:11).

There is a saying that history repeats itself. The landscape of history is littered with the bodies of those who have refused to bow to the god of “political correctness.” It may very well be in our lifetime in this country that the time will come where we will be forced to make the choice of serving God and truth or the world and the devil. The fight gets more intense every day. Inch by inch we see more and more the push to punish those who stand with God’s word and truth. In many countries of the world persecution and death is an everyday possibility because what one says does not conform with societies norms. Let us pray that when that time comes for us that God will give us the courage to remain strong and never deny our Lord in order to be acceptable to the world (Matt. 10:32-33).

**Randy Reagan**

## FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line

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

### OCTOBER ASSIGNMENTS

#### **GREETERS:**

**Oct. 7** – Front Foyer – Don & Anne Herriage  
Back Foyer – Donna Davis & Myrtle Wade

**Oct. 14** – Front Foyer – Robert & Cathy Taylor  
Back Foyer – Mike & Sharon Haynes

**Communion Preparation:** Bill & Linda Matthews  
**Contribution Counters:** Darrell Allen & Robert Taylor

### SERMONS

**Oct. 7** – a.m. “A Light Set on a Hill ”  
John 1:1-5  
p.m. “All Liars  
Revelation 21:3-8

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

**Ongoing Health Concerns:** Carol Swinney, David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Ezra Castro, Nellie Melvin, Grady Fowler, Paul Kelly, Beverly McKey, Barbara Reagan, Alice Worthy, Sherry Hodge, Polly Roses, Anne Herriage, Bill & Linda Matthews, Laura Jenkins, Dale Cox, Don Walker, Clyde Beard, Billie Prince, David Porter, Elaine Neill, Jennifer Sassano

**Home Bound Members:** Helen Thomas, Mary Walker, Denzil Myers

**Nursing Home:** Nellie Melvin – Avalon Memory Care

Dale Cox - Avante

**Military:** Chris & Abigail Mathews

### 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. Please come help us and enjoy the wonderful Christian fellowship.

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### LADIES

**Ladies Bible Class** is Tuesday morning **October 2, 2018** at 9:30 for the Meet & Greet and 10:00 for the lesson. This will be in the Annex. The lesson will be “**The Rich Ruler**”. Please plan on attending and invite your friends and neighbors.

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### PRAYER CONCERNS

**Beverly McKey** had a endoscopy done last week and they also took some biopsies from the esophagus. They are waiting on the results.

**Linda Matthews** was able to be at services Sunday.

**Dale Cox** is making progress slowly. They will not be putting the shunt in as he is not strong enough.

**Jerry Grantham** has requested prayers for her friend **Peggy Harmon**. She is in ICU in a medical induced coma at Baylor Irving.

**Thomas Rathbun** was taken to the ER yesterday with a rapid heartbeat.

**Billie Prince** was released from the hospital and has gone to stay with her daughter Pam for a few days.

**Donna Davis** is not feeling well and the doctor ran some tests on her last week. She is waiting on results.

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

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### Address Change

**Henry Seidmeyer** – Lakewood Village Retirement  
5100 Randol Mill Rd., #5129  
Fort Worth, Texas 76112

**Sherry Hodge** – Avendelle at Lavendale Circle  
7205 Lavendale Circle  
Dallas, Texas 75230

**Sherry** would welcome visits and cards to make her stay a little more pleasant during her rehab.

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I hope everyone will begin to make plans concerning our upcoming **Gospel Meeting with Bro. Ken Hope October 14-17**. This is the perfect timing and opportunity for us to put into practice what we have studied about the spiritual growth of this congregation AND evangelism within our community.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

10/14 – 10/17/18 – Gospel Meeting

10/15/18 – NO 39'ers this month

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Anne Herriage	10/5
LaFon Simpson	10/7
Gearldean Jones	10/8
Annette Kaiser	10/10
Carolyn Renfro	10/14
Janie Walker	10/19
Marinell Zaun	10/20
Tori Morris	10/21
Richard Renfro	10/22
Jan Smithson	10/22
Barbara Hatcher	10/24
Letitia Beverly	10/26
Michael 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)**

10/7/18

**SUNDAY PRAYERS**

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b><u>Front Table</u></b> | <b><u>Rear Table</u></b> |
| • Thomas Rathbun          | Bobby England            |
| • Nathan Allen            | Alex Mayer               |
| • Kenny Mayer             | Glen Kelly               |
| • Ray Simpson             | Robert Taylor            |
| • John Mayer              |                          |
| • Purman Cofer            |                          |

A.M. Richard Renfro  
Jerry Baker  
Alex Mayer  
P.M. Don Herriage  
Ken Lee

**SCRIPTURE READING**

A.M. Dean Webb  
John 1:1-5  
P.M. Alex Mayer  
Rev. 21:3-8

**LORD'S TABLE (EVENING)**

Dean Webb & Darrell Allen

**SONG LEADERS**

A.M. Darrell Allen  
P.M. Nathan Allen

**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>
<b>Sunday</b>	57	60	62	100
<b>A.M. Worship</b>	91	94	96	150
<b>P.M. Worship</b>	54	70	69	80
<b>Wed. Class</b>	49	48	60	85
<b>Contribution</b>	\$3767	\$6531	\$5425	\$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  
 Terry & Pam Laurence – Ft. Defiance, Arizona – Navajo  
 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  
 Willie Alvarenga – Brown Trail School of Preaching  
 Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

**STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED**

Brown Trail School of Preaching – Bedford, Texas  
 Joseph Harris, Nathan Boyd, William Garcia  
 Southwest School of Bible Studies – Garrett English

**THANK YOU**

We want to thank everyone at Belt Line Rd. for all the cards, calls, visits and prayers during Dale's illness. Please continue to remember us as he recovers from the stroke.

**Dale & Katherine Cox**

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Due to our Gospel Meeting on Monday night at 7:00 p.m. **October 15th**, we will **not have** our monthly 39'ers get-together that evening.

**Please check out our new displays in both foyers.** The literature is provided for you to take, read and enrich your Christian Journey. There are also **Sign-Up sheets** for various things as well as a suggestion box for your suggestions.

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