

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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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)



Time to Reflect

It cannot escape even the most casual observer a distinct change is occurring in our society. On June 17, 2015, a man walked into a prayer meeting at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charlotte, South Carolina and shot nine people to death for the color of their skin. The shooter had actually participated with the congregants in Bible study that evening prior to pulling a gun and shooting the members. On November 5, 2017, a gunman walked into the First Baptist church in Sutherland Texas with an automatic weapon and murdered 26 people gathered for services. Were it not for a citizen intervening in the attack, it is probable that more would have died that day. On October 27, 2018, a gunman entered a Jewish Synagogue in New York City and murdered 11 congregants because of their nationality. All three incidences were fueled by a hatred of the nationality, religious beliefs, or race of the victims.

It is hard for us to imagine this level of hatred or mental illness but it is becoming all too frequent in our country and every citizen is at risk of becoming a victim of this evil and wickedness. Anyone can have their life taken because of their practice of religion or the chance that someone holds a different view or understanding. The level of vile, hateful language directed at others simply because of skin color, heritage, or nationality should be terrifying to all. For the sake of our children and grandchildren, our country, and our society, this must stop.

The first step to take is simple: return to our roots. Regardless of the "change" to history promoted by many, this country was founded on Christian principles. The founding fathers were imperfect people as we are today. However, they knew what was critical to the success of this nation: God. Consider with me as we reflect on these Biblical truths:

"Righteousness exalts a nation, But sin is a reproach to any people." (Prov. 14:34) "Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance." (Ps. 33:12) "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Gal. 3:28) Then Peter opened his mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him. (Acts 10:34-35) "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith." (Gal. 6:10) "He who does not love does not know God, for God is love." (1 John 4:8)

Is there anyone who would argue that if we fold these simple scriptures into all aspects of life in this country that much of what is going on would immediately cease? Any type of violence, hatred or evil in the name of "religion" is not any part of what the Bible teaches, we believe, or we practice. We should all pray that this nation returns to its roots as we reflect on these things.

Randy Reagan

FAMILY NEWS:

News at Belt Line

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

NOVEMBER ASSIGMENTS

GREETERS:

Nov. 18 – Front Foyer – Richard & Carolyn Renfro Back Foyer – Thomas Rathbun & Polly Roses

Nov. 25 – Front Foyer – Bill & Linda Matthews Back Foyer – Robert & Cathy Taylor

Communion Preparation: Ray & LaFon Simpson **Contribution Counters:** Bobby England & Glen Kelly

SERMONS

Nov 18 – a.m. "Whose Prayer Am I The Answer To?" Exodus 2:23-25

p.m. "When Leaders Lead" Judges 5:1-5

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, Donna Davis

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

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

LADIES

Ladies Bible Class is Tuesday morning November 13, 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 Last Week Of The Life Of Jesus-VI". Please plan on attending and invite your friends and neighbors.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Billie Prince had a seizure and is in Baylor, Scott & White Hospital Irving, room #456. They did remove her breathing tube on Tuesday.

Vera Gleghorn is also in Baylor, Scott & White Hospital, room #352. She is undergoing tests on her knee.

Nelda Bell Newton fell and broke 3 of her toes and her ankle.

Beverly McKey went to the doctor last week and all of her blood work was good.

Rene Zapata, a client of **Darrell Allen**, is waiting on a heart transplant and needs our daily prayers.

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

There are new <u>business cards</u> in both foyers for you to take as many as you want. They serve as a "thank you" for their service and an "invitation" to our services.

<u>39'ers</u>

Our monthly 39'ers potluck get-together will be Monday, **November 19**th at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex. Please bring your favorite dish and come enjoy the wonderful Christian fellowship.

Be sure to check out the new portrait of **Randy** in the front foyer above our picture board. A very special **Thank You** to **Jackye Jewett** for painting the portraits of each of the Elders and Randy. God has given her a very special talent. Also Thank You to Jackye's son **Alan Baker** for the nice framing of Randy's portrait.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/19/18 - 39'ers - Annex - 6:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Julie Roses	11/5
Patsy Swain	11/6
Bill Matthews	11/8
Doris Selby	11/13
Gary Workman	11/14
Nancy Pond	11/15
Katherine Davis	11/17
Nathan Allen	11/17

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Ken & Carol Lee 11/25

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

11/18/18 **LORD'S TABLE (MORNING) SUNDAY PRAYERS**

	Front Table	Rear Table	A.M.	Dean Webb
•	Don Herriage	Bobby Allen		Thomas Rathbun
•	Alex Mayer	Robert Taylor		Mike Haynes
•	Kent Conner	Vern Lundquist	P.M.	John Mayer
•	Kenny Mayer	Nathan Allen		Alex Mayer
•	Richard Renfro			

Dorris Walker

Mike Haynes & Thomas Rathbun

A.M. Richard Renfro LORD'S TABLE (EVENING) Exodus 2:23-25

P.M. Thomas Rathbun Judges 5:1-5

SCRIPTURE READING

SONG LEADERS

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

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Thomas Rathbun

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	Last Week	This Week	YTD Avg.	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday	60	58	61	100
A.M. Worship	84	85	95	150
P.M. Worship	59	56	68	80
Wed. Class	39	53	59	85
Contribution	\$5975	\$3817	\$5352	\$5300

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED

Glen Tattersall – Australia Jose & Miriam Suarez – Mexico Roland & Rose Mohsen – France Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine Charlie & Mary DiPalma – Australia Willie & Del Glev – 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

A Message from Our Shepherds

We say thank you to Bro. Randy Reagan for two very fine Biblical sermons this past Sunday. We were blessed to have several visitors in our mist, also. Next to God, there is nothing like the true precious love of Mother's and memories of those who have gone on before us including many peace keeping War Veterans. It's always good when our physical families spend time together, and worship together in Spirit and in Truth.

Do we choose entertainment or Worship? "THE BIBLE IS RIGHT AND HAS THE ANSWER". There is one body (Eph. 4:4). The body is the Church (Eph. 1:22-23); therefore, there is but one Church. The one Church is composed of the saved (Eph. 5:23; Acts 2:47). Now, how can we find the one Church Christ built that constitutes the saved?

Here are some of the identifying features of the church described in the New Testament: (1) founded by Christ in Jerusalem about 33 A.D. (Matt.16:18; Acts 2); (2)Christ is the head (Col. 1:18); (3) it has a scriptural designation (Rom. 16:16; 1 Cor. 1:2); (4) has no creed or rule of faith except the New Testament (2 John 9-11); (5) has a plea for unity of all Christians (1 Cor. 1:10-13); (6) has the scriptural organization of elders and deacons (Phil. 1:1); (7) has the scriptural worship-prayer, singing, giving, taking of the Lord's Supper each Sunday, and teaching (Acts 2:42; Acts 20:7); (8) has the scriptural terms of entrance-faith, repentance, confession, and water baptism (Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38; Rom. 10:9-10); and (9) has the scriptural nature-denominational (its conditions of entrance are the conditions of salvation (Acts 2:38-47).

If we will take our Bible and find the identifying characteristics of the church described in the Bible and go and find the Church that identifies with them. The Church with all the identifying marks of the New Testament Church is the New Testament Church. The Church of Christ is the New Testament Church. We need to encourage everyone we have contact with to make a personal investigation and see for themselves. Our souls depend on it, for the conditions of salvation are the conditions into this one Church.

Have a great week serving God and don't forsake the assemblies of the Belt Line Road congregation!

Pray for our sick and Shut-in!

---- Dean Webb

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