

**February 3, 2025** *Volume* **17** *Number 5* 1202 N. Belt Line Road Irving, TX 75061 972-790-8606

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# **Schedule of Services**

**Sunday:** Bible Class ...... 9:00 a.m. AM Worship .... 10:00 a.m. PM Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.

#### **MINISTER**

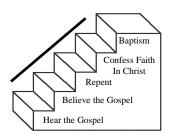
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#### THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

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)



# **Belt Line Road Church of Christ**

"...churches of Christ salute you" (Rom 16:16) Established 33 AD

# BUT YOU KNEW THAT! Doug Post

Jesus said: "Man cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4). Most of us recognize the need for regular Bible study. Our spiritual health requires regular nourishment from God's word. But in our private lives we often do not study as regularly as we should. This week, let's remind ourselves that we should read and study the Bible every day, but you knew that!

Many of us have heard the Bible preached and taught all our lives. Certain phrases, passages, and stories are so familiar they are second nature to us. But the familiarity with which we recognize certain things as being from the Bible is not the same thing as an actual working knowledge of the Bible itself. No matter how familiar the sound of certain things is to us, if we are not able to use the Bible daily in the ways God wants us to use them, then we need to study more.

Paul spoke about "**rightly dividing the word of truth**" (2 Tim. 2:15 NKJV). "**Rightly dividing**" means more than correctly distinguishing the Old Testament from the New. It means being able to use the Scriptures accurately and skillfully to meet the needs of real life. The Bible is not a museum relic to be put on a shelf and admired. It is a working tool meant to be used every day. Time spent each day developing our working knowledge of God's truth is time well spent.

Quality study of the Bible is as pleasurable as it is profitable. Just as we enjoy good food, the person who deeply feels his need for God — that is, the person who hungers and thirsts for righteousness (Mt. 5:6) — finds meditation on the word of God deeply satisfying. To the one who loves God deeply, the precepts of God are more to be desired than "gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb" (Psa. 19:10). The Scriptures are not only for "reviving the soul" (Psa. 19:7), but they are for "rejoicing the heart" (Psa. 19:8).

Life is rough. The negative pressures on our spiritual lives are heavy almost beyond our ability to bear. We need the Bible — and we need to see our need for the Bible! In our families, there is no greater work than helping our children and grandchildren form strong habits of daily Bible study. They will not be likely to develop those habits, however, if they do not see their parents and grandparents engaged in the work of digesting the Scriptures. This week, let's make it our aim to study the Bible more, recognizing not only the importance but the blessing of doing so. Bible study is good for us, **but you knew that!** 

# FAMILY NEWS:



<u>Ongoing Health Concerns</u>: Grady Fowler, Nancy Pond, Jerry Baker, Don Overturf, Paul Hughes, Katherine Cox, David West, Alice Worthy, Jeanene Heilman, Kent Conner, Billy & Veronica Whitfield, Jackye Jewett, Dorris & Janie Walker, Deidra Sutton, Dena Spencer, Tandy Garrett

Home Bound Members: Gearldean Jones

<u>Rehab:</u>Elma Lawrence (room #516) and Fernando Ybarra (room #510) – Villages on MacArthur<br/>Jackye Jewitt – <u>Avante</u> – (room #105)<br/>Glen Kelly – <u>Christian Care</u> – (room #118) - (Mesquite, Tx.)<br/>Virginia Stull – <u>Morada</u> – (room #B-118) – (Grand Prairie, Tx.)

# **UPDATE:**

**David Odom** is out of the hospital. He will be going to an oncologist this week. They saw something in his right lung that could be cancer. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Myrtle Wade fell and was taken to the ER, nothing was broken.

**LaFon Simpson** is very weak and having trouble standing on her own. Please keep her and Ray in your daily prayers for her to get stronger.

George Tripp is not feeling well.

Karen Rathbun's friend Sandeen is having some major heal issues and prayers have been requested on her behalf.

We have many of our number who are experiencing various health issues. Please keep them in your daily prayers. Daily prayers are also needed for our missionaries, military, first responders and weather-related victims.

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**REMINDER: POTLUCK LUNCHEON** – Our luncheon for **February** will be on Sunday, **February** 9<sup>th</sup> right after morning worship services. Invite your friends to worship service and to stay after for the luncheon. Please bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy the wonderful fellowship.

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**MEMBERS:** In the future, if you are approached by a visitor asking for money for food, gas, rent or a place to stay – please refer them to one of the Elders so they can be helped.

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**<u>Greeters</u>** Scheduled for Sunday Morning – February 9, 2025

**Front Foyer:** *Walt LaHaye & Billy Joe Swain* **Back Foyer:** *Patti Kidd & Myrtle Wade* 

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2/5/25 Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

2/9/25 – Potluck Luncheon – (after morning worship)

#### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2/1
2/12
2/12
2/12
2/19
2/24

#### FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

(None)

# THOSE TO SERVE ON: February 9, 2025

### Announcements – Dean Webb

Song Leaders – a. m. Darrell Allen p. m. Darrell Allen

Prayers – a.m. David Cofer Thomas Rathbun

> p.m. Jerry McKey Darrell Allen

Scripture Reading – a.m. George Tripp 1 Corinthians 9:23-27 p.m. David Cofer Luke 10:38-42

Lord's Table – (Both Services) Richard Renfro & Walt LaHaye

# ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	2/2/25	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sunday Class	29	29	50
A.M. Worship	56	57	100
P.M. Worship	23	29	50
Wed. Class	0	22	50
Contribution	\$4,590	\$4,377	\$4,890

## **MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED**

Willie & Del Gley – Ghana/Togo, Africa David & Paula Tarbet – New Milford, CT Matthew & Emma Idowu Fola – Lagos, Nigeria Rohan & Sandra Jones – Cape Town, South Africa Elangwe & Magdaline Gregory – Wotutu, Cameroon

## **OTHERS SUPPORTED**

Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, Texas Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, Texas Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

## STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

Southeast School of Preaching – Trevor Tattersall

How can anyone who reads the Bible be confused about what is required to become a Christian?

I Jn 2:1-7......" My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked. Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning."

I Jn 2:15-17 tells us, "Love not the World or the things that are in the World. If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

Have a great week serving the Lord. Remember to pray for the sick and shut-ins and for those who have lost loved ones.

# **Dean Webb**

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