

# **Belt Line Road Church of Christ**

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

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1202 N. Belt Line Road Irving, TX 75061 972/790-8606

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.

#### **MINISTER**

TBA

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#### **ELDERS**

Jerry McKey Richard Renfro Dean Webb

#### **DEACONS**

Darrell Allen John Mayer

#### **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)



Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for the prayers, calls and cards these past few weeks. I am doing much better, but still following doctor's orders to stay in for now. I am truly blessed to be with my family and you, Brethren and Friends. Recovering from a heart stoppage, CPR and electrical shock takes time and prayers. A big "thank you" to Jerry and Richard for all the work they are doing.

On "In Search of the Lord's Way," Phil Sanders taught a lesson on Gospel Truth a few weeks ago. So many of our brethren are disobeying the true doctrine. I thought it would be good for us to refresh our minds.

The Gospel is truth. In the Ephesians epistle Paul said, "Therefore, putting away lying, 'Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,' for we are members of one another" (Eph 4:25). Christians are admonished to put away falsehood and speak that which is truth (what is real and complete). Referencing false brethren, Paul also said, "to whom we did not yield submission even for an hour, that the truth of the gospel might continue with you" (Gal 2:5).

The Gospel is God's Word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth" (John 17:17). The truth is God's word, and it must be obeyed actively just as first century Christians obeyed according to 1 Peter 1:22, where Peter said, "Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, ...." Jesus said, "unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God" (John 3:5). James tells us that we are begotten by the word of God, "Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth ..." (James 1:18). We are to walk in the truth as Gaius, "For I rejoiced greatly when brethren came and testified of the truth that is in you, just as you walk in the truth" (3 John 1:3; 1 Thes. 2:13).

When we do our part, we are obeying the Lord's commands. In Mark 12:30-31 Jesus said, "... 'And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This *is* the first commandment. And the second, like *it*, *is* this; 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

Let us strive to put God's truths into application each day. Please continue to pray for our bereaved, our sick and our shut-ins. Have a great week!

**Dean Webb** 

#### News at Belt Line

#### **FAMILY NEWS:**

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

**Ongoing Health Concerns:** David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Grady Fowler, Polly Roses, Sherry Hodge,

Jeanene Heilman, Anne Herriage, Katherine Cox, Patsy Swain, Marcella Porter, Vera Gleghorn, Marinell Zaun, Doris Selby, Ray & LaFon Simpson, Donna Davis,

Mike Haynes, Alvin Jennings

**Home Bound Members:** Helen Thomas, Mary Walker, Gearldean Jones

**Rehab:** Polly Roses & Anne Herriage – Avante

*Military:* Andrea Daniel (Air Force) Curtis Vaughan (Navy) Major Chris & Abby Mathews (Air Force)

The Elders of Belt Line Road church have decided that it is in the best interest of our members to **only** have **Sunday morning worship service** at 10 a.m. at the present time. No Wednesday night service yet.

The Elders have requested that we wear a face covering coming into and leaving the building. If you do not have one, we will provide one for you. We want to protect everyone from getting the COVID-19 illness.

#### All events are still cancelled until further notice.

Please continue to watch the weekly sermons or listen to them on our website or CD if you are not comfortable in attending Sunday Morning Worship service at the present time. The lessons have been excellent.

#### A NOTE FROM THE ELDERS

If you do not feel comfortable in returning to worship at the present time, please continue to mail your contribution checks in. The mailing address is: 1202 N. Belt Line Road - Irving, TX 75061.

Please remember that even though we can't get out to visit our shut-ins, we can call them on the phone, email them or send them cards. It's very important that we stay in touch with each other during this pandemic.

### **Updates:**

Mariana Pauli's cousin David Silva who was kidnapped in Mexico has been released. He and his family are in the process of moving to a better area. Please keep this family in your prayers. Gearldean Jones is slowly recovering from covid-19.

We have new "The Spiritual Sword" and "Christian Courier" literature in both foyers. Please take as many as you want to read. Also take some to hand out to friends, relatives and neighbors for them to read also.

If you have lost any items, we have a "**lost and found**" box in the library on the counter. It is full of items – keys, glasses, sweater, etc. Please stop by the library and see if the items belong to you.

We have many members who are dealing with ongoing health issues. Please keep them in your daily prayers.

Please be safe and continue to wear your mask and social distance.

#### Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – February 14, 2021

Front Foyer: Bobby Allen and Sandy Hall Back Foyer: Patti Kidd and Myrtle Wade

#### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Eula Hedrick	2/1
Cindy Derbyshire	2/2
Mariana Pauli	2/11
Cathy Taylor	2/12
Joy Webb	2/12
Kelli Bryant	2/12
Alex Mayer	2/16
Carol Partridge	2/28

#### **FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

None this month

#### THOSE TO SERVE

### A.M. - February 14. 2021

Lead Singing – Jerry Baker Sermon Topic – "TBA"

Scripture – Jerry McKey TBA

Prayers – Alex Mayer Darrell Allen

Attendance a.m. on February 7, 2021 was <u>53</u> YTD Average Contribution <u>\$4,551</u> Goal <u>\$5,260</u>

Please keep our country in your daily prayers that this COVID-19 virus ends very soon and please be mindful of others and stay in during this time.

#### MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED

Glen Tattersall – Australia
Jose & Miriam Suarez – Mexico
Roland & Rose Mohsen – France
Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine
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 Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, Texas Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, Texas The Gospel of Christ In Search of the Lord's Way Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

#### STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

(**Brown Trail School of Preaching**) Stephen Woods, Victor Luna, Jose Espinoza

**Southwest Preaching School** – Jessie Moser **Memphis School of Preaching** – Josh Walker

Our late Brother Johnny Ramsey wrote this article many years ago. All of us want to go to Heaven, and we must travel the straight and narrow way to have a hope of getting there (Matt. 7:13-14).

#### The Road to Heaven

When we give ourselves to the Savior, we begin a journey through life that is tremendously abundant and worthwhile. Whatever we give up to become a follower of Christ still makes the choice more than a bargain. When we surrender, we win! We may suffer for His cause, we may deprive ourselves of some things, but such a life is filled with deep and rich satisfaction. Serving Jesus will fill our days with excitement, pleasure and contentment. No one will regret walking in the footsteps of the Master. The great debt we owe should propel us into a closer walk with truth and righteousness. The happiest people on earth will always be ardent and loyal citizens in the kingdom of God's dear Son!

The battle against Satan and sin will be demanding and fierce, but the reward for loyal devotion will make the difficulties fade into oblivion. To march hand in hand with the blessed Lord and the redeemed of all the ages is a blessing beyond measure. The fellowship of fellow Christians, comrades-in-arms, binds us together in noble allegiance to a heavenly goal surpassing all the passing fancies of worldly gain. As we traverse the rugged roads of time, we find sublime anticipation of eternity with our Creator: "Hath begotten us again unto a living hope ... reserved in heaven" (1 Pet. 1:3). Associating with those of "like precious faith" (2 Pet. 1:1) will make life more acceptable on the darkest of days. We can live in sunshine regardless of the devil's weather report!

Since the Savior found me, Took away my sin. I have had the sunlight Of His love within.

What a wonderful song that is to sing! It ought to deepen within each of us a resolve to be more zealous for truth every day. To enjoy the freedom and purity the gospel demands, we must zealously oppose error and uphold the pristine beauty of truth.

When we major in things divine, the road to heaven becomes our balm and challenge when earthly woes beset us. Such things strengthen our determination to successfully defeat Satan.

Let us go onward rejoicing.

-JOHNNY RAMSEY

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