

## **Belt Line Road Church of Christ**

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

# **August 19, 2024 Volume 16 Number 33**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 ..... 5:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday:

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

#### **MINISTER**

Doug Post Email:

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#### **ELDERS**

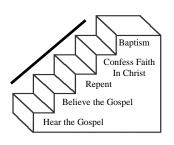
Darrell Allen Richard Renfro Dean Webb

#### **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)



#### **DISCIPLESHIP**

**Doug Post** 

Sometimes we think that when we obeyed the first steps of the gospel, we did all that is necessary to attain heaven. Some think that having obtained membership in the Lord's church, our salvation is certain. But there is a big difference between becoming a "member of the church" and becoming a disciple. It is discipleship that the Lord wants, and without that, nothing else matters very much. Without discipleship there is no salvation.

Discipleship was better understood in the first century than it is now. In those days, before the existence of universities and trade schools, if one wanted to become learned in a certain field or skilled at some craft, one found a scholar or master craftsman and became his "disciple." The disciple often lived with his master. He and the master became intimate friends. The disciple not only learned the information available from his master, but he also patterned his life after him. He ate and drank with his master. He traveled with him. He emulated his master's words and actions and attitudes. He tried to become like his master, believing him to be worthy of such imitation. There was a personal relationship of friendship and trust, in which the master shared what he knew with his disciple and the disciple patterned himself after his master.

We ought to seek that kind of relationship with Christ. He wants us to follow Him and learn from Him, to become His friends. He wants us to "walk" with Him, to live with Him day and night, absorbing His skill in living and adopting His way of thinking. He desires that we become so devoted to Him as our Master that it becomes the height of our ambition to be just like Him. And doing that is a far more personal thing than we often make it out to be. It is more than the dry and dusty obligation of doing what He demands. Instead, it is the privilege of learning life from the Lord of life in a relationship of closest intimacy. Discipleship is not a hoop we have to jump through to gain heaven. Even in the here and now, the requirements of discipleship are a blessing.

Without genuine discipleship, the thing many people call "Christianity" is worthless. Many have thought that having their names on the roll of some faithful congregation assured their entrance into eternal glory. But the gospel that saves is the gospel which produces disciples (Mt. 28:19).

#### **FAMILY NEWS:**

News at Belt Line Road Church of Christ Call in your information to the office at: 972-790-8606 by Sunday evening



Ongoing Health Concerns: Grady Fowler, Nancy Pond, Jerry Baker, Eula Hedrick, Patti Kidd,

Katherine Cox, Myrtle Wade, Michelle Reed, David West, Alice Worthy,

Charlotte Burrows, Dean Webb, Karen Rathbun, Billy Whitfield,

Frank Young, Jackye Jewitt, Dorris Walker, Don Overturf

**Home Bound Members:** Gearldean Jones

**Rehab:** Elma Lawrence (room #516) and Fernando Ybarra (room #510) – Villages on MacArthur

Jackye Jewitt – <u>Avante</u> – (room #105

Glen Kelly – <u>Christian Care</u> – (room #118) - (Mesquite, Tx.) Virginia Stull – <u>Morada</u> – (room #B-118) – (Grand Prairie, Tx.)

#### **UPDATE:**

Please keep in your prayers the Renfro's family members **Ashlyn**, **Dawson** and **Chris** as they all have Covid.

**Jerry Grantham's** granddaughter, **Tandy Garrett** is having some health issues. They are running tests on her to find out why she is having weight loss, fever and passing out. Please keep her in your prayers. It was good to see **Billy Whitfield** at services on Sunday. He still has a long road of recovery ahead of him. Please continue to keep him and Veronica in your prayers.

**Scot and Michaela Allen's** baby is due any day now. Please pray for a successful delivery.

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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We extend our deepest sympathy to **Alice Worthy** and family. Her brother **Eugene LupPlace** passed away Monday night. Services were held last Saturday in Winnsboro.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to Carol Partridge's family as Carol passed away. Services have already been held.

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#### <u>Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – August 25, 2024</u>

**Front Foyer:** *Thomas & Karen Rathbun* 

**Back Fover:** Elizabeth Garrison & Mary Elaina Vaughan

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

8/21/24 – Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

#### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Patti Kidd	8/6
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David Odom	8/11
Pramoda Paul	8/14
Brenda Hood	8/27
Melody Lundquist	8/31

#### **AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

Dorris & Janie Walker	8/5
Jim & Eva Stambaugh	8/17
Thomas & Karen Rathbun	8/26
Patrick & Mariana Pauli	8/29

#### THOSE TO SERVE ON: August 25, 2024

**Announcements** – Dean Webb

**Song Leaders** – a. m. Jerry McKey

p. m. Jerry McKey

**Prayers** – a.m. Richard Renfro

David Cofer

p.m. Darrell Allen

Dean Webb

**Scripture Reading** – a.m. Doug Post

2 Timothy 3:1-5

p.m. Richard Renfro

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Lord's Table – (Both Services) Richard Renfro & Thomas Rathbun

#### ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	8/18/24	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sunday Class	33	31	50
A.M. Worship	66	56	100
P.M. Worship	40	35	50
Wed. Class	35	30	50
Contribution	\$4,183	\$4,915	\$4,871

#### **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* 

As we go through this week, let's think on these scriptures:

#### 1 John 2:1-7 ...

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. Brethren, I write no new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which you heard from the beginning.

#### 1 John 2:15-17 ...

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins and for those who have lost loved ones. Have great we serving God!

**Dean Webb** 

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