



# Belt Line Road Church of Christ

*"...churches of Christ salute you" (Rom 16:16)*

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972-790-8606

Web site:

[www.beltlinechurch.com](http://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

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## ELDERS

Darrell Allen

Richard Renfro

Dean Webb

## SECRETARIES

Janice Daniel & Jerry Grantham

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## **THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION**

Hear - Romans 10:17

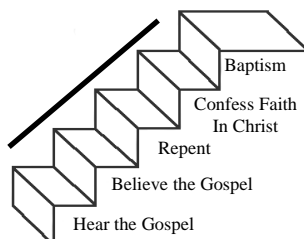
Believe - John 8:24

Repent - Acts 17:30

Confess - Romans 10:10

Be Baptized - Acts 22:16

Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



## **DECISIONS MAKE OUR CHARACTER**

**Doug Post**

There are times when we become dissatisfied with what's going on in our lives. At these moments we can be tempted to blame circumstances that are beyond our control. We might begin to think that we would be better off if God had just "dealt us a better hand." However, we are the product of our decisions. While we do have circumstances we have to deal with, the quality of our lives is determined primarily by our character, not our circumstances — and our character is something within our control.

**In fact, it is the accumulation of the decisions that we make over time that defines our characters.** Whether we realize it or not, each time we make a choice, we add a little bit to our character. Depending on whether we make a good choice or a bad one, we either add something good to our character or we add something bad to it. Either way, our characters are constantly growing and changing.

The Bible tells us there are only two directions in which our characters can grow: we grow in the direction of righteousness or in the direction of wickedness (Rom. 2:6–11). **Ultimately, our eternal destiny will be the completion of whichever direction we are choosing right now whether good or bad.** Heaven and hell will simply be the end of the road we're traveling by the decisions we're presently making. Our "destiny" can't be anything other than the "destination" that we have traveled toward.

One reason why our moment-by-moment choices are so important is that they make it either easier or more difficult for us to do what is right in the future. If I make a bad choice right now, I change my character, making it harder to do what is right the next time. Later in life, I will find it either very easy to live a godly life (because I've been making many choices in that direction) or I will find it very difficult.

It's wise to be careful with our decisions. They all count, every single one of them. They all go into making our character. And our character is what God will judge on the last day. Now is the time to build a godly character, not tomorrow. Eventually, we will reap whatever choices we have sown.

## 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, Polly Roses, Nancy Pond, Jerry Baker, Victor Rathbun, Katherine Cox, Myrtle Wade, Michelle Reed, David West, Patti Kidd, Charlotte Burrows, Carol Partridge, Dean Webb, Jackye Jewett, Karen Rathbun, Alice Worthy

**Home Bound Members:** Gearldean Jones

**Rehab:** Elma Lawrence (room #516) and **Fernando Ybarra** (room #510) – **Villages on MacArthur**  
Polly Roses (room #206) – **West Fork Village**  
Glen Kelly – **Christian Care** – (room #118) - (Mesquite, Tx.)  
Virginia Stull – **Morada** – (room #B118) – (Grand Prairie, Tx.)

### UPDATE:

**Ray Simpson** was in the Arlington Memorial Hospital last week with pneumonia. He got to go home last Wednesday. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Dale Thompson**, a former member, fell from the 2<sup>nd</sup> story while working on his home. He suffered injuries to his pelvis, sternum, and shoulder. Please keep this family in your prayers as he faces a long rehab to overcome his injuries.

**Angela Hoy** is now in a rehab facility getting needed therapy as a result of a car accident. Please keep her in your prayers.

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 victim.

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**SAVE THE DATE: MAY 11<sup>th</sup> – 2-4 p.m.** at the Annex. There will be a Baby Shower for Scot & Michaela Allen to help welcome Baby Elaine. They are registered at Amazon & Babylist.com. If you would like to contribute to a group gift, you can give your contribution to Melissa Allen by the end of April.

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### **REVIVE TEXAS – YOUTH NIGHT**

April 26 from 6-7 p.m.

Brown Street church of Christ

Waxahachie, Texas

Further information on the bulletin board

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**Tamara Kyser** placed membership with us on Sunday. Her info is: 1112 Sea Terrace – Irving, Tx. 75060  
214-417-3894

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**Greeters scheduled for Sunday Morning – April 28, 2024**

**Front Foyer:** *Walt LaHaye & Joseph Paul*

**Back Foyer:** *George Tripp & Sandy Hall*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

*4/24/24 – Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm*

*5/11/24 – Baby Shower for Scot & Michaela Allen – 2-4 pm  
Questions - see Melissa Allen*

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

Glen Kelly	4/1
Jerry Grantham	4/2
Vern Lundquist	4/6
Nelda Bell Newton	4/17
Jeanene Heilman	4/19
Alice Worthy	4/20
Thomas Rathbun	4/21
Doug Post	4/30

**APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

NONE

**THOSE TO SERVE ON: April 28, 2024**

**Announcements** – Richard Renfro

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

**Prayers** – a.m. David Cofer  
George Tripp  
p.m. Thomas Rathbun  
Richard Renfro

**Scripture Reading** – a.m. Joseph Paul  
Hebrews 2:1-4  
p.m. Doug Post  
Various

**Lord’s Table** – (Both Services) Jerry McKey & Kent Conner

**ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS**

	<u>4/21/24</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
<b>Sunday Class</b>	30	31	50
<b>A.M. Worship</b>	59	57	100
<b>P.M. Worship</b>	38	35	50
<b>Wed. Class</b>	30	30	50
<b>Contribution</b>	\$3,522	\$5,124	\$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*

This was in last week's bulletin article from our Bro. Elangwe Gregory, Director of the Bear Valley Preaching School in Wotutu, Cameroon. He is also the preacher for the church there.

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Three weeks ago one of our preachers here, minister Ako Daniel chaplain in the Brightland Christian secondary school, and his wife who was pregnant gave birth to twin babies but unfortunately the boys are premature, this state of babies in Cameroon is very complicated and financially very challenging, please keep them in prayers and if you can be of any financial please do.

This situation really touched the heart of one of our widows who gave funds to help this family.

[2 Corinthians 1:3-5](#)

Comfort in Suffering

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ.

I asked Janice to send the check to David Ballard. He will get it to Ako Daniel through Elangwe. David is the Bear Valley Coordinator for Cameroon and Chad. He is also a great friend of Mission Printing. He transports tracts to and from Mission Printing, from not only his own congregation in Pattonville, but also from College St. Church of Christ in Paris, TX. David wrote a tract for Mission Printing and World Video Bible School made an internet video:

Enjoy this 13 lesson video series entitled "The Good News and Seven Ones."

<https://video.wvbs.org/program/the-good-news-and-the-seven-ones/>

**Richard Renfro**

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