



# Belt Line Road Church of Christ

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

Email:

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## ELDERS

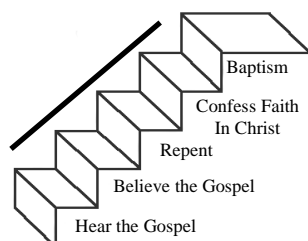
Darrell Allen  
Richard Renfro  
Dean Webb

## 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)



## **"GOD-LIKE"**

**Doug Post**

Different people have different ideas about what would makes them happy. Unfortunately, most find their pursuit of happiness does not lead them where they want to go. They soon discover the things they've been pursuing aren't really the things needed for happiness. As Christians, however, we ought to realize that **the best things in life are the things that make us more like God**. To the extent that we begin to conform ourselves to the mind of God, we will find our lives getting better.

It is an interesting fact that many of the things we would define as "good" because they draw us closer to God are those that the world would define as "bad." For example, difficulty and pain can have a beneficial spiritual effect on us, but to say that these things are good is to say the opposite of what the world would say. James wrote, **"Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness"** (James 1:2-3). Seeing things from God's perspective often causes us to see things differently.

The "blessed" person, according to Jesus' description in the Beatitudes in Mt. 5:1-12, is not blessed because of his bank account, his importance in life, or his power over other people. He is blessed because he is a certain kind of person. He seeks to think and act as God would think and act. The blessedness of those in Christ's kingdom is a blessedness that comes from within the heart, and it has little to do with what is going on in the externals of a person's life. In fact, a person who enjoys the blessedness of godly character can say, "I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content" (Phil. 4:11).

This week, let's strive for a keener sense of what is most important in our lives. Investing in character growth, rather than accumulating the "stuff" the world considers essential for the good life. Let's try to set a better example for our children and grandchildren, showing them (by our deeds as well as our words) that our priorities are straight and that we are wanting, above all, to be the kind of people on the inside that pleases God and receive His blessings. Let's live as those who understand what the "good life" truly is.

## 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, 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

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

### UPDATE:

Please keep **Thomas Rathbun** in your prayers as he was part of the layoffs at Southwest Airlines. His last day will be in a few months.

**Kelli Bryant's** mom is in room #1616 at Baylor, Scott & White Hospital with RSV.

**Sandy Hall** is home sick with a virus. Please keep her in your prayers.

**David Odom** is waiting on test results this week.

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:** Covid, RSV, the flu and pneumonia cases are rising in this area. Please protect yourself from being exposed. If you don't feel well, please stay in so as not to expose others.

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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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We extend our deepest sympathy to **Ken Lee** and family (former members) on the passing of his sister last Tuesday.

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A container destined for Kenya was loaded up last Tuesday at Mission Printing.

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**Greeters Scheduled for Sunday Morning – March 2, 2025**

**Front Foyer:** Daniel Rodriguez & Angie Conner

**Back Foyer:** Jeanene Heilman & Clarine Henson

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**2/26/25 Wednesday Night Bible  
Study – 6:30 pm**

**3/9/25 Time Change**

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Eula Hedrick	2/1
Kelli Bryant	2/12
Cathy Taylor	2/12
Joy Webb	2/12
Mary Elaina	2/19
Vaughan	
Nora Phillips	2/24

### FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

(None)

**THOSE TO SERVE ON: March 2, 2025**

**Announcements** – Darrell Allen

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

**Prayers** – a.m. George Tripp  
Jerry McKey

p.m. Doug Post  
Richard Renfro

**Scripture Reading** – a.m. David Cofer  
Matthew 18:21-22  
p.m. Doug Post  
Hebrews 6:9-12

**Lord's Table** – (Both Services) Dean Webb & Thomas Rathbun

### ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>2/23/25</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
<b>Sunday Class</b>	27	29	50
<b>A.M. Worship</b>	50	56	100
<b>P.M. Worship</b>	35	29	50
<b>Wed. Class</b>	18	23	50
<b>Contribution</b>	\$6,345	\$4,498	\$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*

It is the pattern of the world to “live-in-the-moment” and focus on the immediate circumstances at hand. But Romans 12:2 tells us, “And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.” We should count our blessings and be thankful every day. In 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 we are told, “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” This is the pattern that we are to follow.

1 John 2:15-17 tells us, “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 a great week serving God!

**Dean Webb**

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