

# 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

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## ELDERS

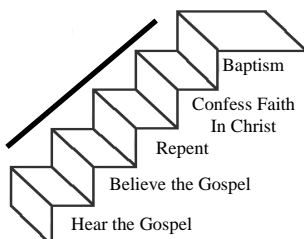
Darrell Allen  
Richard Renfro  
Dean Webb

## 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)



## YOU OR YOU?

Doug Post

No matter what English translation of the Bible one reads, it is difficult to know whether the pronoun “you” is singular or plural. Often the context will help determine whether “you” is singular or plural in number. But there are occasions where even the context does not help. However, it is critical to know whether “you” is to be understood as singular or plural.

For instance, in 1 Corinthians 3:16-17, in writing to the church in Corinth, the apostle Paul says: “**Do you know that you are temple of God and the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy that person. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.**”

We note that every “you” within the context is plural, not singular, which reads thusly: “**Do you (plural, *you all*) not know that you (plural, *you all*) all are the temple (singular, not *temples*) of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in (*among, or in the midst of*) you (plural, *you all*)? If anyone destroys the temple (singular, not *temples*) of God, God will destroy that person. For the temple (singular, not *temples*) is holy, which temple you (plural, *you all*) are.**”

Paul is dealing with division within the church in Corinthians (1:10-13). Paul wants them to know that, collectively, they form the *temple of God*, and that the Spirit was in (or among) them, corporately, as the temple of God. And, if any individual destroys that temple/church (singular), God will destroy that person. Paul is addressing the church in Corinth as a whole.

Paul tells us plainly how the temple of God in Corinth was being destroyed: “**For you all are still carnal, For where there are envy, strife, and divisions in (among) you all, are you all not carnal and behaving like mere men?**” (1 Cor. 3:3). The local church can be destroyed by its members, and most certainly by its preacher and elders. Unfortunately, destruction of the temple of God is likely where carnal thinking, carnal motives, or carnal actions exist.

Of course, if any individual destroys the temple of God (and refuses to repent), God’s promise is that He will destroy them. Therefore, we all must take God’s threat very seriously. Grammatically, the several occurrences of the pronoun “you” are plural, and within the context, Paul is describing the church as a whole, not an individual.

## 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, Michelle Reed, David West, Alice Worthy, Jean Coffey, Karen Rathbun, Billy & Veronica Whitfield, Jackye Jewett, Frank Young, Dorris Walker

**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:

**Tandy Garrett** is doing better. She went back to college last week. She wanted to thank everyone for the prayers.

**Michelle Reed's** cancer has returned. It has spread through the lymph nodes and to the bones. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Jean Coffey** has been very sick, please keep her in your prayers. She has made some improvements.

**Paul Hughes** is having some health issues and needs our prayers.

**Veronica Whitfield** is waiting on test results.

The **Walker's** were able to be back at services Sunday after Dorris's fall.

The **Young's** were also able to be back at services Sunday after Frank's fall.

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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Congratulations to **Scot & Michaela Allen** on the birth of **Elaine Katherine Allen**. She weighed in at 6 lbs. 13 oz. and 18 in. long. Proud Grandparents are **Darrell & Melissa Allen** and proud Great Grandpa **Jerry Mckey**.

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**REMINDER: POTLUCK LUNCHEON** – Our luncheon for **September** will be on Sunday, **September 8<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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**Greeters** scheduled for **Sunday Morning** – **September 1, 2024**

**Front Foyer:** *Billy Joe Swain & Myrtle Wade*

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

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**8/28/24 – Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm**

**9/8/24 – Potluck Luncheon – After morning worship service - Annex**

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Patti Kidd	8/6
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: September 1, 2024**

**Announcements** – Darrell Allen

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

**Prayers** – a.m. George Tripp  
Joseph Paul  
p.m. Dean Webb  
David Cofer

**Scripture Reading** – a.m. Richard Renfro  
Psalm 59:16-17  
p.m. Darrell Allen  
Titus 2:11-15

**Lord’s Table** – (Both Services) Jerry McKey & Walt LaHaye

**ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS**

	<u>8/25/24</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
<b>Sunday Class</b>	35	31	50
<b>A.M. Worship</b>	62	56	100
<b>P.M. Worship</b>	38	35	50
<b>Wed. Class</b>	29	30	50
<b>Contribution</b>	\$3,586	\$4,875	\$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

Often, we hear people comment about time. They will make statements like, “when I have time” or “while I have time” and then add what *they* plan to do. Brethren, only God knows about our time here on earth. James 4:15 tells us, “Instead you *ought* to say, “If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that.” This acknowledges that any time we have is given by God, and it is only by His grace and with His help are we able to accomplish anything. Time is very valuable because during the time we are given on earth, our destiny is determined and sealed. You see, it’s not how long we live, but how well we live. It’s not the quantity of time, but the quality of life (Eccles. 3:1-15 and 12:13-14.) Life on earth is man’s probationary period. Neglecting God will result in eternal loss of our souls (2 Thess. 1:7-9). Our future destiny depends upon the decisions we make and the actions we take now. Take a few minutes to read 2 Thess. 2:13-17.

Let us strive to make the most of every day by studying God’s word, putting God’s truths into application, and serving Him in all that we do. Please continue to pray for our bereaved, our sick and our shut-ins. Have a great week!

**Dean Webb**

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