

Belt Line Road Church of Christ

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

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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

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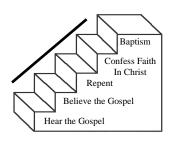
Darrell Allen Richard Renfro Dean Webb

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)



YOUR ANONYMITY IS OBSERVED Doug Post

During Jesus' final visit to Jerusalem before His crucifixion, Mark records Him "observing how the people were putting money into the treasury" (Mark 12:41). Those who were rich were "putting in large sums" (Mark 12:41), which was certainly commendable if their heart was right. Yet Jesus praised another giver.

When He saw a poor widow put in two small coins (Mark 12:42), He said, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the contributors to the treasury; for they all put in out of their surplus, but she, out of her poverty, put in all she owned, all she had to live on" (Mark 12:43-44). Others may not have noticed her gift. The amount she gave may not have done much from a monetary perspective. Yet Jesus commended her for her faith and her sacrifice.

It's sometimes tempting to become discouraged if we think that what we do goes unnoticed. We make efforts to do good and no one pays attention. We try to help in some way and we question whether or not we're making an impact.

Our Lord also taught, saying, "But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly" (Matthew 6:3).

Jesus' command to give in such a way that one hand is unaware of what the other hand is doing is obviously not to be taken literally. Jesus' illustration makes use of hyperbole—purposeful exaggeration to make a point. We should perform our charitable giving with such confidentiality that, if possible, our right hand wouldn't even know what the left hand was giving. We should maintain a low profile when giving gifts and performing acts of mercy. Modesty, not ostentation, is the hallmark of a follower of Christ.

The lesson here is that even what is considered "small acts of faith" are significant with our Lord. Others may receive the praise of men, but we are seeking the praise of God. So remember that the Lord sees our sacrifices and works. Whether others notice or not, He knows of our faithful service. Let us continue to make sacrifices for Him simply because we love Him.

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 – <u>Avante</u> – (room #105)

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

UPDATE:

Darrell's client **Shelly Tingle** had her surgery last Monday. It went well and the doctor said it was a miracle from God.

Cathy Taylor had her boot removed last Thursday. She is now able to get around with a walker and has no pain in her foot.

LaFon Simpson is in room #3119 at Arlington Memorial Hospital.

Brenda Hood is in the hospital and needs our prayers.

David Odom will be having a kidney procedure on Wednesday at USMD in Arlington, Texas

Bobby Garrett, **Jerry Grantham's** son-in-law is at Baylor, Scott & White – North with heart issues. Please keep him in your daily prayers.

Elizabeth Garrison has requested prayers for her friend Pauline Haynes. Her husband suddenly passed away last week.

Good News! Angie Conner obtained the job she was seeking and starts this week.

Please keep **Linda Snead**, mother-in-law of **Phillip Stambaugh** in your prayers. She is at home and reportedly on her last days.

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.

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.

We received a THANK YOU note from **Foster's Home** for Children for our "Green Can" collection of loose change. There was <u>\$547.76</u> that was collected. The money will be put to good use for the children.

Greeters Scheduled for Sunday Morning – January 26, 2025

Front Foyer: Daniel Rodriguez & Mary Elaina Vaughan

Back Fover: Clarine Henson & Myrtle Wade

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1/22/25 Wednesday Night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ray Simpson	1/16
Lilla Tripp	1/17
Lautricia Williams	1/25
Dorris Walker	1/29
Kayla Allen	1/30

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

(None)

THOSE TO SERVE ON: January 26 2025

Announcements – Richard Renfro

Song Leaders – a. m. Darrell Allen

p. m. Darrell Allen

Prayers – a.m. Doug Post

George Tripp

p.m. David Cofer

Richard Renfro

Scripture Reading – a.m. David Cofer

Psalm 107:25-27

p.m. Jerry McKey

Acts 20:32-35

Lord's Table – (Both Services) Darrell Allen & Thomas Rathbun

ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	1/19/25	YTD Avg.	Goal
Sunday Class	30	31	50
A.M. Worship	56	57	100
P.M. Worship	30	29	50
Wed. Class	28	27	50
Contribution	\$4,035	\$4,675	\$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*

How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God When I, in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art

This is one of my favorite songs, thanks Bro. Doug for the Sunday evening lesson on everyone singing in worship!

--- Richard Renfro

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