

# **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 ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday:

Bible Study .... 7:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday:

Ladies' Bible Class (Sept.–Apr.)

Class meets at 10 a.m.

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#### **ELDERS**

Jerry McKey Richard Renfro Dean Webb

#### **DEACONS**

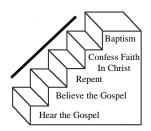
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#### **SECRETARIES**

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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)



## **Honor All People**

In his first epistle written to the "pilgrims of dispersion" (1 Pet. 1:1), Peter begins to describe the way that Christians should be as God's children and also the way we are to conduct ourselves. He says we are "begotten...to a living hope...to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled...reserved in heaven for you...kept by the power of God." (1 Pet. 1:3-5) Even though Christians would be tested by "various trials," the "genuineness of our faith" would lead us to our end goal, "the salvation of your souls." (1 Pet. 1:6-9)

He would then tell Christians to "be holy in all your conduct." (1 Pet. 1:15) This required Christians to change their conduct in a way that would cause others to glorify God. (1 Pet. 2:12)

To accomplish this, Peter would lay out four things to do. (1 Pet. 2:17) First, "honor all people." Note Peter says all people, not just the people we like or the people with whom we agree. Peter is literally in the original language telling us to revere and value all people. Certainly a companion text would be Paul's admonition to do good to "all men." (Gal. 6:10)

Second, Peter says "love the brotherhood." This aligns so well with the epistles written by the Apostle John as well as the very words of our Lord Jesus. Jesus said, "A new commandment I give you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." (Jn. 13:34-35) John would then also write, "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God." (1 Jn. 4:7) It was the message John says was "heard from the beginning." (1 Jn. 3:11)

Third, "fear God." Solomon summed up his entire lifetime with one conclusion, "Fear God and keep His commandments. For this is man's all." (Eccl. 12:13 - the whole of man – Original text) The fear of the Lord is the "beginning of knowledge." (Prov. 1:7) There are three parts to the word Peter uses and all are absolutely applicable. We are to be afraid, frightened, alarmed, and in awe of God. The Hebrew writer would tell us that it is a "fearful" thing to fall into the hands of the living God. (Hebrews 10:31) The other equally important part of the word speaks to the reverence that we are to have for God. "Where is My honor" and "where is My fear" God would ask the Jews in Malachi 1:6.

Last, "honor the King." Earlier in the chapter, Peter had told Christians to submit themselves to the king, the governors and even to those sent by them. (1 Pet. 2:1-2) I cannot imagine how difficult it would have been for the Christians, both Jew and Gentile, to submit themselves to the vile Roman Empire or even the corrupt Jewish government. Yet, as Christians, that is exactly the conduct God required.

Let us consider what Peter taught and all of us bring glory to God with our conduct.

Randy Reagan

#### News at Belt Line

#### **FAMILY NEWS:**

Call in your information to the office at: 972-790-8606 by Sunday evening

Ongoing Health Concerns: David & Faye West, Laquita Baker, Grady Fowler, Polly Roses, Sherry Hodge,

Jeanene Heilman, Anne Herriage, Katherine Cox, Patsy Swain, Marcella Porter, Vera Gleghorn, Marinell Zaun, Joe Farley, Doris Selby, Ray & LaFon Simpson

Home Bound Members: Helen Thomas, Mary Walker

**Nursing Home:** Nellie Melvin – Avalon Memory Care Henry Seidmeyer – Good Life Senior Living

**Military:** Andrea Daniel (Air Force) Curtis Vaughan (Navy) Major Chris & Abby Mathews (Air Force)

The Elders of Belt Line Road church have decided that it is in the best interest of our members to **only** have **Sunday morning worship service** at 10 a.m. at the present time. No Wednesday night service yet.

The Elders have requested that we wear a face covering coming into and leaving the building. If you do not have one, we will provide one for you. We want to protect everyone from getting the COVID-19 illness.

#### All events are still cancelled until further notice.

Please continue to watch Randy's weekly sermons or listen to them on our website or CD if you are not comfortable in attending Sunday Morning Worship service at the present time. His lessons have been excellent.

#### A NOTE FROM THE ELDERS

If you do not feel comfortable in returning to worship at the present time, please continue to mail your contribution checks in. The mailing address is: 1202 N. Belt Line Road - Irving, TX 75061.

Please remember that even though we can't get out to visit our shut-ins, we can call them on the phone, email them or send them cards. It's very important that we stay in touch with each other during this pandemic.

## **Updates:**

**Mike Haynes** will start his treatments for his bladder cancer on October 7, 2020. The treatments will be once each week for 6-8 weeks. **Mike** wants to thank everyone for the prayers and needs our continued prayers on his behalf.

**Delia Watley's** mother is improving.

Karen Rathbun is home from the hospital after her surgery.

Susan Krueger's eye sight is improving after her eye procedure.

**Jeanene Heilman** will be consulting with an oral surgeon on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

There is a Thank You Note on the bulletin board from **Brenda Bryant** and the rest of **Pansy Yankey's** family.

October 18 – 2 to 4 p.m. – Come & Go Wedding Shower for Patrick & Mariana Pauli at 1503 E. Union Bower, Irving. Hosted by: Mary Wise, Jackye Jewett, Alice Worthy. <u>Must wear a face mask.</u>

## **Greeters** scheduled for Sunday Morning – October 11, 2020

Front Foyer: Elizabeth Garrison & Jackye Jewett

**Back Foyer**: Jim Walters & Sandy Hall

#### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Anne Herriage	10/5
LaFon Simpson	10/7
Gearldean Jones	10/8
Annette Kaiser	10/10
Carolyn Renfro	10/14
Delia Watley	10/19
Janie Walker	10/19
Marinell Zaun	10/20
Richard Renfro	10/22
Jan Smithson	10/22
Michael Haynes	10/26
Letitia Beverly	10/26
Bobby England	10/30
Sandy Hall	10/31

#### **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Bobby & Brenda England	10/9
Richard & Carolyn Renfro	10/15
Terry & Clarine Henson	10/15
Darrell & Melissa Allen	10/24

#### THOSE TO SERVE

## **A.M. – OCTOBER 11, 2020**

Lead Singing – Darrell Allen Sermon Topic – "The First and Great Commandment"

Scripture – Matthew 22:34-40 Jerry Baker

Prayers – Dean Webb Ken Lee

Attendance a.m. on October 4, 2020 was <u>63</u> YTD Average Contribution <u>\$5,253</u> Goal <u>\$5,360</u>

Please keep our country in your daily prayers that this COVID-19 virus ends very soon and please be mindful of others and stay in during this time.

#### MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED

Glen Tattersall – Australia
Jose & Miriam Suarez – Mexico
Roland & Rose Mohsen – France
Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine
Charlie & Mary DiPalma – Australia
Willie & Del Gley – Ghana/Togo, Africa
David & Paula Tarbet – New Milford, CT
Matthew & Emma Idowu Fola – Lagos, Nigeria
Ted Lingren – Sisophon Bible School – Cambodia
Rohan & Sandra Jones – Cape Town, South Africa
Elangwe & Magdaline Gregory – Wotutu, Cameroon
Dennis & Beth Johnson – Chennai Teacher Training School – India

#### **OTHERS SUPPORTED**

Paper Pulpit – Hurst, Texas
Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, Texas
Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, Texas
The Gospel of Christ
In Search of the Lord's Way
Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution

#### STUDENT PREACHERS SUPPORTED

Brown Trail School of Preaching **Luis Loera – Jaelyn Downing** 

### A Message from Our Shepherd



This is our Nigerian missionary, Bro. Matthew Fola with his wife, Emma who live in Isolo, a suburb of Lagos, Nigeria. Matthew has transported and sent thousands of Mission Printing (MP) boxes of tracts, songbooks and Bibles for us throughout west and central Nigeria for several years. He was of great assistance on my 2014 trip and has been faithful to the work of evangelism for many years. May God bless both of them for their efforts. The next picture is of MP materials being sent to Imeko in Ogun State. The young brother in the middle is supervising the work for now. The other brother brought him to Isolo Church of Christ to carry the material. Remember, this new church in your prayers.

--- Richard Renfro

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