



# 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

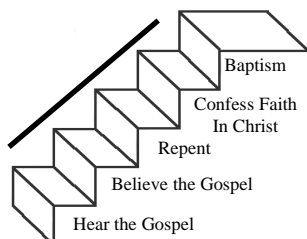
Darrell Allen  
Richard Renfro  
Dean Webb

## 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)



## LEARN TO DENY SELF

**Doug Post**

In teaching about the demands of discipleship, Jesus said, **"If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me"** (Luke 9:23). This summarizes what it means to follow Jesus.

1. **We must choose to follow Him.** He will not force us to be His disciple. We must have the desire to come after Him.
2. **We must be willing to deny self.** Whatever desires, motivations, and goals we have must be made secondary to our primary purpose of following Christ. He must be first in our lives in everything.
3. **We must be willing to take up our cross daily.** Just as Jesus would give His life on the cross for us, we are to give our lives to Him. This is not something we do sporadically or when it is convenient. It is a daily sacrifice and one in which we must be willing even to lay down our lives for Him.

The apostle Paul writes:

**"I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God that present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 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" (Romans 12:1-2).**

Note that we are to present ourselves as a sacrifice to God, which involves refusing to be **"conformed"** to the ways, thinking, and actions of the world (Those outside of Christ). Instead we allow ourselves to be **"transformed by the renewing of our mind."** How do we renew our minds? By allowing God's word to influence our thinking, and in doing so, we **prove** (test, attest, affirm, examine, etc.) His good, acceptable, and perfect **will** (word of God).

Taking up a cross is a big commitment. Most are not willing to do it. We will never do it if we don't make the Lord first in our lives. Let us learn to deny self. Whatever plans and goals we have for ourselves, the Lord's plans for us are far better. Let's be willing to sacrifice anything for 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, Tammy Tomlinson

**Home Bound Members:** Gearldean Jones

**Rehab:** Elma Lawrence (room #516) and **Fernando Ybarra** (room #510) – **Villages on MacArthur**  
**Jackye Jewitt** – **Avante** – (room #112)  
**Glen Kelly** – **Christian Care** – (room #118) - (Mesquite, Tx.)  
**Virginia Stull** – **Morada** – (room #B-118) – (Grand Prairie, Tx.)

### UPDATE:

**David Odom** has been cleared for surgery by his heart doctor. His biopsy was inconclusive.

**Doug Post's** brother **Bruce** in Connecticut had a heart attack. **Doug** and his brother from here went there to be with Bruce. Wednesday **Bruce** was walking some. Please keep this family in your prayers.

**Yolanda Rodriguez** was in a car wreck last Wednesday and received some minor injuries.

**Sharon Haynes** had a cousin that passed away.

**Mary Elaina Vaughan's** father **Don** will be having a Pet Scan to further investigate an abnormality in a lymph node.

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: POTLUCK LUNCHEON** – Our luncheon for **April** will be on Sunday, **April 13<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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**Alice Worthy** is turning **90!** Stop by the Annex on **Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** from **2-4 p.m.** and help her celebrate this wonderful milestone in her life.

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We extend our Deepest Sympathy to the **George Ryan** and **Linda Hogan** family on the passing of **George**. His service will be at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home today, **April 7<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 p.m. with visitation at 1:00 p.m.

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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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**Greeters Scheduled for Sunday Morning – April 13, 2025**

**Front Foyer:** *Thomas & Karen Rathbun*

**Back Foyer:** *Billy Joe Swain & Patti Kidd*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**4/9/25 – Wednesday Night Bible  
Study – 6:30 pm**

**4/13/25 – Potluck Luncheon**

### 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 13, 2025**

**Announcements** – Richard Renfro

**Song Leaders** – a. m. Jerry McKey  
p. m. Jerry McKey

**Prayers** – a.m. Joseph Paul  
George Tripp  
p.m. Thomas Rathbun  
Darrell Allen

**Scripture Reading** – a.m. Thomas Rathbun  
1 Peter 2:4-9  
p.m. Charlie Hall  
John 16:13-15

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

### ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>4/6/25</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
<b>Sunday Class</b>	31	28	50
<b>A.M. Worship</b>	61	56	100
<b>P.M. Worship</b>	28	30	50
<b>Wed. Class</b>	22	25	50
<b>Contribution</b>	\$4,214	\$4,218	\$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*

Just as I had predicted, I went off script Sunday night in my Mission Printing (MP) report and left out some of our important volunteers. Sis. Myrtle Wade loves to collate MP tracts. This activity is at the top of her list and she has a great dedication to being a doer of the word.

Ray Simpson has made great efforts in helping keep the tracts flowing through our work group. He and his late wife, LaFon have worked tirelessly for many years with stapling and collating millions of MP tracts. Ray has done more than I have asked in getting things done quickly and efficiently. Bro. Ray is a doer of the word.

Lilla Tripp told me how much she enjoyed being part of the Thursday morning MP work group. Sis. Lilla is a doer of the word.

May we all be doers of the word!

“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.” James 1:22

**Richard Renfro**

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