



RESILIENT FAITH EPH 6:10

December 5, 2021

TODAY

From the Elders . . .

On October 24, we asked for nominations for additional men to serve as Deacons.

Today the final candidates, along with their families, are being placed before the congregation for consideration.

There will be a one-week period for anyone who may have a concern as to why a candidate who is put forward should not serve. Having no valid scriptural reason why the final candidates should not serve, they will be installed as deacons on Sunday, December 19.

Important operational aspects for this process:

Anyone having a reason why a candidate should not serve is expected to do the following:

1. Personally contact the individual candidate and discuss your concern with that man. If your concern is unresolved after discussion with the candidate, you may then present a written and signed letter to the elders, for their consideration. Unsigned letters of concern will not be considered.

2. We ask for you all to pray diligently about this process. Please read and study I Timothy 3:8-13 to better understand the qualifications to serve, and pray for these men and their families, and for God to provide the men who He knows will best serve this congregation as deacons.

The names of the prospective deacons are as follows:

Matt Brewer
Wes French
Brandon Dixon
Jonathan Pritchard
Mark King
Brendan Huismann
Stephen Smith
Max Dashner
Mike Cowart

- There will be a **Youth Area-Wide** tonight at Hebron Church of Christ.
- **Sisters in Service Hygiene Drive Get Together** will meet today at 4:00 in the Overflow Room.
- **Lads to Leaders Registration Forms** are due today . . .



We need to secure our hotel rooms for Lads Convention and we must have these forms to do that. See Toby Page or Zach Starnes.

Morning Worship Service

Announcements ~ Charles Elliott

Worship Leader ~ Zach Cleghorn

Opening Prayer ~ Charles Wilks

Communion ~ Max Dashner

Contribution

(There are boxes located in the foyer and halls behind the pulpit for you to leave your contribution)

Sermon ~ Steve Smith

Invitation Song ~

Shepherd's Prayer ~ Steve Chandler

Evening Worship Service

Welcome ~ Zach Cleghorn

Opening Prayer ~ Tom Jones

Speaker ~ Steve Smith

Dismiss for Lord's Supper

Closing Prayer ~ Tim Thomas



The Life of Christ:

The Kingdom is in your grasp!

What would make you _____ at the top of your lungs?

Luke 17:11-19

- What is more surprising...the face that _____ person came back, or the fact that _____ didn't?
- Jesus ministers to any who _____ to him... none is _____ away.
- Unexpressed _____ or gratitude is no different than _____.

Rise and go?

- The word _____ is a word that the early Christians would have recognized as having to do with _____.
- New life had come to this man, and he _____ appropriately.

I am wondering if one of our problems is that we don't _____ that we _____ the new life Jesus offers?

There is no difference???

- All sin causes a _____ between us and God... there is no _____.
- In Jesus Christ we can have _____.
- **Romans 6:23**, "*The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life...*"

Luke 17:20-37

- The days of the son of man are the days in which this _____ representing God's true people (Jesus), is finally _____ after suffering. And that vindication will take the form of the _____ of the city, and the temple, and those who have set their face against the _____.

The Kingdom is in the midst of you...

- Jesus isn't just telling us _____ the kingdom is, he is reminding us that we must do _____ about this kingdom.
- The kingdom isn't something that is just going to _____.
- God's plan to put the world to rights is _____ for you to _____ on.

Our Calling...We are called to be _____ for Christ!

- God's plan is to make his _____ presence and his invisible grace _____ through his people.

Three things...We need _____. We need _____. We need _____.

We have been _____ by God to be part of the most important _____ in the universe.

Remember in Prayer . . .

•Members & Regular Attenders...

Daisee Turner will have a procedure for the permanent HF10 spinal chord stimulator implant this week. (48 Sharon Avenue, Trinity—3;5673)

Cindy Cook had gall bladder surgery last week. (2404 Selma St., SW—35603)

Haviland Roach broke his arm in a fall. (704 Eleanor Dr., SW—35601)

Donna Zahnd is now at home from rehab. (1050 Harborview Dr., NE, Apt. 201—35601)

Ward Webster has been undergoing tests for health issues. (2103 Chapel Hill Road, SW—35603)

Morris Reagin is now at home from rehab. (3216 Sweetbriar Rd., SW—35603)

Imogene Jones is under the care of Hospice. (1816 Corrine Ave., SW—35601)

Kellie Holcomb has mostly recovered from her injuries from her accident and has moved back to Montgomery. (Her address is 647 Chatsworth Drive, Montgomery—36109)

Continue to Recover:

Amanda Buchanan (1215 Pennylane, SE—35601)

Rodney Jones (1924 Cumberland Ave., SW—35603)

Stan Hasting (3714 S. Chapel Hill Rd., SW—35603)

Joe Betterton (2704 Avondale Court, SE—35601)

Pat Knight (2001 Nelson St., SE—35601)

Mavis Byrd (929 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601)

Casey Panter (221 Olde Dogwood Trail—35603)

Continue to battle cancer:

Sarah Mattox (3116 Sweetbriar Rd., SW—35603); **Genevieve McCullough** (1205 Palisade Ct., SW—35603); **Brenda Cagle** (1400 Lakecrest Dr., SW—35603)

Continue to remember:

Jerry & Louise Parker (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603); **Ron & Kathy Garner** (81 Shirley Hill Road, Somerville—35670); **Katie Shell** (2403 Woodland St., SE—35601); **Gail Brumback** (2405 Circle Dr., SE—35603); **Mervin & Bernice Owens** (2706 Lexington Ave., SW—35603); **Flara McMunn** (1711 Camellia Dr., SW—35601); **Bob Deal** (4425 Dogwood Dr., SW—35603); **Karla Barrera** (2025 Danville Park Dr., SW, Apt. 32—35603)

NOTE: Please see others in our continue to remember "We Care" List in the Bulletin online.

•Family Members & Friends...

Herb Ford from the Atlanta area had a brain aneurysm and is not doing well. A friend of Steve & Cindy Smith has requested prayers for his recovery.

Dana Watts, daughter of Danny & Deborah Truitt, is recovering from surgery. (1425 North St., SE—35601)

Terri Selph, sister of Bob Deal, will have surgery for cancer on December 6, followed by chemo. (1102 Merrick Drive, Peachtree City, GA—30269)

Carolyn Plumlee, sister of Rita Deal, is undergoing chemo treatments and having a difficult time. (4014 Huntington Drive, Cookeville, TN—38501)

Camellia Ratliff, sister of Bettie Knight & aunt of Canitha Thomas, has been undergoing tests and awaiting results.

Allison Moody is confined to bedrest with her pregnancy. (106 Autumn Ashe Rd., Madison, AL 35756)

Clint Harris, friend of Steve & Cindy Smith, has been diagnosed with cancer. (157 Greene 7740 Road, Paragould, AR—72450)

Meghan Hill has been undergoing consultation with doctors regarding her pain. (3542 Chula Vista Ridge Dr., SW—35603)

Don Latham, brother of Judy Voss, is battling cancer. (493 Cochran Drive, Norcross, GA—30071)

Tim Epperson, husband of Sherry who is a cousin of Phyllis Rommens, received a good report from his surgery for lung cancer. (P. O. Box 132, Medina, TN—38355)

Continue to remember:

Shirley Lackey, aunt of Mike Brewer, is recovering from a broken hip in a fall and also the recent death of her husband.; **Tony Letson**, brother of Dee; **Mike McCollum**, husband of Joan (2511 Danville Rd., SW—35603); **Linda Harris**, cousin of Phyllis Rommens, is being treated for cancer of the eye. (2938 Morgan St., Florence—35630)

Sympathy is Extended to . . .

The Family of Sarah Etheredge in her death on Tuesday. Her funeral will be today at 2:00 at Parkway Funeral Home with Visitation one hour before the service. (send cards c/o her sister Carol Spillers: 2504 McNair St., SW—35603)

The Family of Martin Delgado in his death last week. His funeral was Monday. (wife, Aurora: 1610 7th St., SE—35601)

Camden & Reese Seal, in the death their grandfather, **Randy Grizzard**. (Seal's address: 2908 Lenox Dr., SW—35603)

Contact Elder for DECEMBER—Tim Thomas

**Deacons/Ministry Leaders for
DECEMBER—Adam Jones & Mark Burleson**

Please see Front Page for TODAY'S Events . . .

December Calendar . . .

6—**Monday Night for the Master** will meet at 6:00 in Rm. 406

9—**Daughters of Ruth** will meet at 9:30 in the Fellowship Area

12— *Please join us for a "Come & Go" Reception
as we honor and thank*

Rick Eichelberger—Outreach Minister
for his many years of dedicated service.

*December 12, after evening worship
in the Fireside*

A basket will be provided for your cards.

13—**Monday Night for the Master** will meet at 6:00 in Rm. 406

20—**Monday Night for the Master** will meet at 6:00 in Rm. 406

27—**Monday Night for the Master** WILL NOT MEET

Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

See Front Page for Today's Events

DECEMBER

27-30—**Exposure Youth Camp**

Please check your "Group Me" for information and other news

News & Notes . . .

Responses . . .

BAPTISM:

Anna Mitchell (2111 Galahad Drive, SW—35603)

Notes of Thanks . . .

Have been received from **Candice Baxley** and **Stanley, Lee & Luke Hasting**.

In Memory . . .

Donations have been made in memory **Frankie Hyatt**.

Food Committee . . .

DECEMBER—LIFE Class

• **Help is needed** in the Next Steps Benevolence Clothing Room to straighten/arrange and maintain a good selection of clothes for individuals/families that may need clothes thru the next steps program. Our plan currently is to work Dec. 8 and 15, then break for the Holidays and pick up again on Wed., Jan. 5, 2022. Work usually begins at 9:30 each Wed. and lasts till Lunch time. If you are interested and would like more information please Contact Sandra Tucker (256-303-0409) or Allen Orman (256-542-7748), just show up on Wednesday December 8! Thanks for your consideration in this good work.

• **The children's Christmas ministry in Peru** is almost upon us. This ministry funds grocery baskets for families along with toys and some clothes for the children. The country is finally starting to open up after the Pandemic, so we are expecting somewhere between 600 and 1000 children plus parents to show up for the community wide gathering. This is a great opportunity for us to introduce whole families to the Gospel of Christ, but we cannot do this without your help, so please give generously! You can either send a check made out to Bypass Church of Christ in Vicksburg to Bridgette Foote, 1802 Devonshire Dr. SE, Decatur, AL 35601, or there is a Venmo account set up (@Mary-Bates-9) to take electronic donations. We need to gather the money before Dec. 15, so please donate before that date. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts, and we pray that all the Glory goes to God. Chris and Bridgette Foote

DO WE REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF WHAT WE HAVE?

It is hard to believe that many people around the world have never held a bible in their hands or had read one. I own at least ten different bibles in Spanish and English and they are in different versions and different kinds of print. Nowadays one can get a bible by just clicking in the app in our smart phones. One can go to a county fair and there would be people giving away New Testament bibles. This is great for us that live in this great country and for those who try to have a bible because we have grown in the church.

About twenty-four years ago I met a lady. She had a catholic background and was hesitant to come visit the church at Beltline when we gave her the invitation. Once she came, she observed that we only follow the bible. Everything that was said was backed by a book chapter and verse. She did not own a bible and we offered one. She was so excited that she told her husband about this new place of worship that she had found. She brought her husband, and he also was eager to learn about the bible. We also gave a bible to her husband and a few weeks later they both were baptized for the forgiveness of their sins.

Last Monday November 29, at noon we had the funeral of that man named Martin Delgado. Martin read the bible and obeyed the gospel and was baptized he will have eternal life. What a big difference it made that he had a bible to find salvation. Martin grew up in a country like me. In Mexico the catholic church does not encourage people to read the bible. People just follow what they are being told without checking it. Martin was able to read it and check it for himself if what was being taught to him was the truth.

We make our goal in our Hispanic ministry to provide as many people as possible who has never had a bible with one. In Mexico we make efforts to provide people with Mayan and Spanish bible so people will open their eyes when they read the word of God. No matter how many years goes on, the bible, the word of God continues to change lives. It continues to make a difference on where people will spend eternity. The word of God has great value, let us treasure it. Let us learn more about it and put into practice in our daily lives.

I was reading some time ago about this lady in France who was getting ready to sell her house. I wonder how many times she sat at her table in her little kitchen drinking coffee and thinking about how she was going to deal with her economic problems. For many years she had a painting hanging in her kitchen wall. That painting has been in the family for many years. If she knew that painting was very valuable. If she knew that the answer to all her economic problems was just right in front of her. One part of the article that appeared in the newspaper read like this:

"SENLIS, France — A medieval painting that hung for years near the kitchen of an older Frenchwoman before being recognized as a work by the Italian artist Cimabue **was auctioned** on Sunday in France for \$26.8 million." This lady did not realize what she in front of her until an appraiser came to appraise her house to be sold. He saw the painting and suggested the painting to be appraised. She could not believe the value of that painting that for many years she has had.

If we have a bible, if we have read it and obeyed the gospel; thank God for it. Let us make the effort to share with others the precious word of God that leads to salvation. Paul reminds us on how important the word of God is: 2 Timothy 3:16-17 *"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God² may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."*

~Justo

Beltline Iglesia de Cristo

Our "Next Steps" Program . . .

We want to help people take the next step with Jesus. We believe helping people in need is a huge part in helping people take that next step. Our desire is to meet physical and financial needs as a door to the most important needs of all ... **spiritual needs.**

At the conclusion of the services, an invitation will be made to come to the next steps room where a team of people will meet you, share the GOOD NEWS of Jesus with you, and identify and attempt to meet any needs you may have.

Online Worship Services . . .

We are live streaming our services through our web site and YouTube. The morning service will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the evening service will begin at 5:30 p.m.

If you are unable to watch at 10:00, you will be able to watch later that day if you search for Beltline Church of Christ on YouTube. It will be posted on the web site later in the week.

Sunday Morning Classes . . .

Cradle Roll thru 4-year-old Classes

(Attended Infant Nursery is not available during class)

Faith Boulevard—Education Building

Middle School/High School—Rooms 502-508

College Age—Room 505

Young Professionals—Rooms 405/406

C.O.O.L.—Room 501

C.R.E.W.—Room 401

L.I.F.E.—Room 402

E.theR.—Room 408

Seekers—Room 111

S.A.L.T.—Room 323

Cornerstone—Rooms 317/318

WBS—Rooms 113/114

Spanish Speaking—Small Auditorium in Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday Night Adult Bible Classes . . .

- **Singing and Praise**—For those who want to learn new songs as well as spend time with others lifting your voices in an outpouring of praise to God.—**Zach Cleghorn**—Room 408 (Overflow Room in New Wing – 1st floor)
- **One Another**—A study of twelve of the "One Another" passages found in the New Testament, teaching us about Christian Living.—**Matt Brewer**—Room 401 (New Wing – 1st floor)
- **Ladies Class**—*Set Free - A study out of the book of Exodus*—**Julie Huismann**—Fireside Room
- **God's Grace In...**—A look at God's grace at work in various situations through the lives of His people.—**Patrick Swinea**—Room 402 (New Wing – 1st floor)
- **World Bible School**—**Danny Truitt**—Room 113
- **Spanish Speaking**—**Justo Dorantes**—Small Auditorium in Education Bldg.

Picking up Communion . . .

This Week—You may come by the office Monday –Wednesday from 8:00 until 4:00 and Friday from 8:00 until 12:00 noon to pick up communion.

You may also leave your contribution at that time if you prefer instead of giving online or sending by mail.

Ministers:

Pulpit : Steve Smith
Hispanic: Justo Dorantes
Outreach: Rick Eichelberger
Connections: Trae Durden
Youth: Sam Welsh
Associate Youth: Keith Jett
Worship: Zach Cleghorn

Times of Services:

Sunday
Bible Study - 9:00 a.m.
Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Evening - 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

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REFLECTIONS for 2021

Our Attendance Last Week

Worship (English)..... 528
(Hispanic)..... 54
Worship Total 582
Bible Study (E & H) 436
Evening Worship (E/H) 245
Wednesday Evening (E & H) ... 251

Our Growth

Baptisms-
English/Hispanic.....28/7
Prison/WBS/Cuba..... 2/14/1
Requested Prayers-English 44
Now Worshipping with Us-
English/Hispanic 47/7

Our Giving Last Week

Contribution.....\$26,537.57 Average.....\$33,922.39
Budget.....\$38,718.00

ONLINE GIVING

You can make your contributions by going to:

www.beltlinechurchofchrist.org **ONLINE GIVING TAB.**

You can use your DEBIT CARD, CREDIT CARD or E-CHECK

BY MAIL: 2159 Beltline Road, SW—Decatur, AL 35601

Lonnie Jones offers *Counseling Service* to our Beltline Members.

Contact information—Phone : 256-882-9799;

E-mail: lonjones@bellsouth.net

Angie Speegle offers *Alzheimers/Dementia Service*. Contact

information Phone : 256-476-4328; E-mail: angiespeegle@gmail.com

Beltline Recovery Meetings: Sundays—3:00 pm Education Building
Tuesdays—7:00 pm Education Building



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call Danny or
Deborah Truitt

Online Pictorial Directory for Beltline Members



If anyone needs help (including app on phone) or has any questions about the directory, please email David Higginbotham: davejh34@gmail.com.

Each Family is responsible for updating their Family information in the online directory. If you need help, please contact David Higginbotham.

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Area Events . . .

EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE at **FLINT CHURCH OF CHRIST** begins at 7:45

“We Care For You” List

We Continue to Remember our Members & Regular Attenders

Michael Atchley (2008 12th St., SE—35601)
Margaret Benefield (200 Autumnwood Trail—35603)
Tara Cheatham (1420 Blackbriar Circle, Hartselle—35640)
Donnie Lane (2920 Whiteford Dr., SW—35603)
Tricia Mitchell (2008 Murphree Rd., SE—35601)
Marilyn Morris (P.O. Box 151, Hillsboro—35643)
Ruth Prosser (700 Cedar Lake Rd., SW, Apt. 328—35603)
Hildreth Lyle (517 North Seneca Drive, Trinity—35673)
Craig Hoge (1211-A Brookline Ave., SW—35603)
Bonnie Ledlow (901 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601)
Karla Barrera (2025 Danville Park Drive, SW, Apt. 32—35603)
Lindsay Elliott (P. O. Box 1584 — 35602)
Joan McCollum (2511 Danville Rd., SW—35603)

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Jo Bates (P. O. Box 185, Trinity—35673)
Leah Favors Room 8 at River City Healthcare Facility (1350 14th Ave., SE—35601)
Nancy Gillette (3980 Hwy. 109, Columbiana, AL 35051)
Howard Hendrix (1922 Azalea Circle, SW—35601)
Janice Holder (Country Cottage, 2515 Old Moulton Rd., SW—35603)
Pat Knight (2001 Nelson St., SE—35601)
Flara McMunn (1711 Camellia Dr., SW—35601);
Ann McWhorter (1611 Cedar St., SW-35601)
Elise Means (2821 Sandlin Road, SW, Apt. 3C—35603)
Sharon Province (2208 13th St., SE—35601)
Joseph Wright (2403 Hideaway Place, SE—35603)
Mildred Wright (1715 Iris St., SW—35601)

SHUT-INS of FAMILY & FRIENDS

Betty Jones, mother of Angela Free (902 Spring Ct., SW—35603)
Mildred Clemons, mother of John (Falkville Health & Rehab, 10 West 3rd St., P. O. Box 409, Falkville—35622)
Jean Meadows, mother of Amy Finch (2411 Shady Grove Lane SW-35603)

“We Pray” for Others List

We Continue to Remember Family & Friends

Tommy Reid, father of Phyllis Brewer

Stephanie Meagan NeSmith, niece of Bobbie Glenn

Ann Norton, aunt of Beth Spann (20524 Johnson Road, Athens—35613)

Beth Graves, daughter-in-law of Granville & Frances (323 Needham Blvd., Rockville, TN—371530)

Sarah Pepper, mother of Beth Spann, (14739 McCulley Mill Road, Athens—35613)

Jackson Broadfoot, a relative of Jeff (645 Boys Ranch Road, Hartselle—35640)

Mary Reece, friend of Anita Talley, has ALS. (2412 Aldingham Dr., SW—35603)

Beulah Glenn, mother of Rayburn

Stephanie White, cousin of Richard Talley, (2225 Bruce Road, Boaz—35957)

Leah Young, niece of Rachel Aponte

Barbara Richardson (165 Dobbins Pike, Gallatin, TN—37066-2009)

Tim McAnally, brother of Blake

Dan Winkler (1000 Revere Place, Apt. 31, 310 Springhill, TN 37174)

Diane Shell, mother of Kyle (1605 Parnell Drive, Leeds, AL—35094)

Patsy Ogle, sister of Vicki Linley (1318 Huntington Court, Auburn—36830)

Debbie Finley, friend and former neighbor of Donna Zahnd (120 Spenser Lane, Doyline, LA—71023)

Roger Perry, brother of Doris Webster

Kay Durden, mother of Trae

Ann Beaty, mother of Kim Farris

Martha Lewis, sister of Granville Graves (8500 Pine Top Rd., Hornsby, TN—38044)

Birthdays:

December 9

Bob Hoogerwerf

December 10

Xander Parker

Cecil Ponders

December 11

Lydia Smith

Glenda Williams

December 12

Seddrick Williams

December 13

Ella Baxley

Olivia Higginbotham

December 14

Margaret Atchley

Frances Graves