

# December 19, 2021

# **TODAY**

### Installation of New Deacons . . .

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

There will be a High School Devo after evening worship at the home of Macy Lawrence 1803 Autumn Ridge Road, SW

### Disaster Relief . . .

With the recent storms that have damaged several of our neighboring states, Beltline is eager to enlist support in any way feasible. That includes logistical and financial support, and yes, actually sending people to assist.

Donation boxes for tangible goods will be located in the lobby this Sunday. Highly requested items include:

> Tarps Roofing nails

Gatorades Electrolyte drink packets Low-prep / No-prep foods BIBLES

Financial donations can be made online or by check to Beltline with memo "Disaster Relief" or to Decatur Church of Christ's "Project Unify" account (please do not leave loose cash or checks in the cardboard boxes).

Beltline's Disaster Relief Team sent out a plea for involvement this past September, and the response was very minimal. If you feel moved by the spirit to lend a hand, please don't hesitate. We need warm bodies and, more importantly, warm hearts to do more than offer hand outs. If you are able to cook, we are interested. If you can lead a Bible study, we want you. If you can sit with a grieving spouse, you are needed. Beltline wants to revitalize the DRT, and that starts with you.

Applications will once again be located in the lobby. God bless you, brothers and sisters. Travis Stetler

# Morning Worship Service

Announcements - Charles Elliott

Worship Leader - Zach Cleghorn

Song - Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Song ~ O Come, All Ye Faithful

Opening Prayer - Rayburn Glenn

Song - Low in the Grave He Lay

Communion ~ Jeff Broadfoot

Contribution

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

Song - Joy to the World

Song - Raise a Hallelujah

Sermon - Steve Smith

Invitation Song - Jesus Paid It All

Shepherd's Prayer - Steve Chandler

Installation of New Deacons

## Evening Worship Service

Welcome ~ Zach Cleghorn

Song - Brethren We Have Met to Worship

Song - Days of Elijah

Opening Prayer - Mark Waters

Song - Behold Our God

Speaker - Trae Durden

Invitation Song - Refiners Fire

Dismiss for Lord's Supper

Closing Prayer - Bo Nelson



#### Immanuel: God with Us

Jesus is	, Jesus is	, and Jesus is
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2. The courage to	give up your right to	
5. The courage to	admit you are a	
How Do We get	the Strength to be Co	ourageous?
• Why did Jesu	is have the courage towe will get our cour	do what he did for us? age the same way.

### Remember in Prayer . . . Reported Sick . . .

•Members & Regular Attenders . . .

Sue Thomas has been in the hospital undergoing tests. Forestview Dr., SW—35603)

Joy Honea had a procedure for a pacemaker last Thursday. (2204 Inverness Lane, SW—35603)

John Gwin had shoulder surgery last Tuesday. (3728 S. Woodtrail Rd., SW-35603

Sarah Mattox is now at home from the hospital. (3116 Sweetbriar Rd., SW—35603)

Linda Heard is recovering from a fall fracturing her ribs. (37 Golden Oak Drive, Trinity—35673)

Daisee Turner had a procedure for the permanent HF10 spinal chord stimulator implant on Tuesday. (48 Sharon Avenue, Trinity—35673)

Jerre Glover is recovering from a recent fall. (1809 Pin Oak Circle,

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

Continue to Recover:

**Donna Zahnd** (1050 Harborview Dr., NE, Apt. 201—35601)

Rodney Jones (1924 Cumberland Ave., SW—35603) Stan Hasting (3714 S. Chapel Hill Rd., SW—35603) Joe Betterton (2704 Avondale Court, SE—35601)

Continue to battle cancer:

Genevieve McCullough (1205 Palisade Ct., SW-35603); Brenda Cagle (1400 Lakecrest Dr., SW—35603)

Continue to remember:

Imogene Jones is under the care of Hospice. (1816 Corrine Ave., Imagene Jones is under the care of Hospice. (1816 Corrine Ave., SW—35601); Morris Reagin (3216 Sweetbriar Rd., SW—35603); Pat Knight (2001 Nelson St., SE—35601); Mavis Byrd (929 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601); 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 .

Lisa Frank, cousin of Jennifer Chandler, is in the hospital with Covid. (4727 Post Street, Jacksonville, FL—32205)

Steve Aponte, father of Rachel, has been diagnosed with kidney

Keith Thomas, brother of Tim, continues to undergo tests to determine surgery/treatment options. (2799 Co. Rd., 358, Trinity—

Pete Hendrix, father of Lee Hasting, has been in the hospital in ICU. (home address: 3903 Fall River Road, Pulaski, TN—38478)
Terri Selph, sister of Bob Deal, is recovering from cancer surgery.

She received good news that the nodes were clear. (1102 Merrick Drive, Peachtree City, GA—30269)

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 recover Carolyn Plumlee, sister of Rita Deal, had to postpone chemo Carolyn Plumlee, sister of Rita Deal, had to postpone chemo treatments due to low counts and is having a difficult time. (4014 Huntington Drive, Cookeville, TN—38501

Camellia Ratliff, sister of Bettie Knight & aunt of Canitha Thomas, has been diagnosed with cancer. (2001 Lowery St., SW—35601)

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)

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Continue to remember:

Lillian Whitney, mother of Alice Evans (206 Lindsey Lane, SW, Hartselle—35640); Shirley Lackey, aunt of Mike Brewer, is recovering from a fall; 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)

### <u>Sympathy is Extended to . . .</u>

John McGuire & Family in the death of his brother, Paul McGuire. (John's address: 2301 McNair St., SW-35603)

Terrence Lee (friend of Hildreth Lyle) in the death of his father, Douglas Richard Lee.

#### The Messiah is Born

"But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Too little to be among the clans of Judah, From you One will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel. His goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity." (Micah 5:2)

"Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel." (Isaiah 7:14)

"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom,

To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this." (Isaiah 9:6-7)

The time had come. God had been preparing the people for the Messiah since the very first prophecy after sin had entered the world (Gen 3:15). The prophets had looked ahead to this very time: "And likewise, all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and his successors onward, also announced these days" (Acts 3:24).

However, the prophets did not understand exactly how it would all happen. Peter notes:

"As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow. It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look" (1 Peter 1:10-12).

Even so, Jesus Christ is the clear fulfillment of all that God had promised. This promise He would fulfill through a young woman named Mary. Joseph, her betrothed, was told not to be afraid to take her as his wife: "for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins" (Matt 1:20-21).

This was not just anyone. This was God manifested in the flesh, the One through whom all had been made (John 1:1-5). "And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

When Jesus was born, the announcement was made, appropriately enough, to shepherds. An angel brought "tidings of great joy" because "today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:10-11). "And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased" (vv. 13-14). So great was the birth of Jesus that even kings from the east recognized it and worshiped Jesus: "After coming into the house they saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell to the ground and worshiped (Matt 2:11).

At eight days, Jesus was presented at the temple. A righteous and devout man named Simon was "looking for the consolation of Israel," and by the Holy Spirit he was told he would not die Continued in next column . . .

#### 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 . . .

20—Monday Night for the Master will meet at 6:00 in Rm. 406 23 & 24—Office will be Closed

27—Monday Night for the Master WILL NOT MEET

### Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

See Front Page for Todays Events

#### DECEMBER

27-30—Exposure Youth Camp

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

#### News & Notes...

### Responses . . .

BAPTISM:

Josh Jarrett (179 Cave Spring Road—35603)

#### New Babies . . .

Congratulations to Trent & Sarah Derrick on the birth of a son, Lane Johnson Derrick, on December 16. Lane was 8 weeks early weighing 4 lb. 3 oz. Sarah and Lane are both doing well. Proud grandparents are Donnie & Dianne Lane.

And to Zach & Jenna Barrett on the birth of a son, James Douglas Barrett, on December 15. Proud grandparents are Kenny & Jenny Hedges Harbin and the late Jim Hedges.

Note of Thanks . . .
Has been received from Charlene Hagood.

<u>In Memory . . .</u> A donation has been made in memory Janice Blade.

### Food Committee . . .

DECEMBER—LIFE Class

#### The Messiah is Born Cont'd from previous column . . .

before seeing "the Lord's Christ" (Luke 3:25-26). When he took Jesus into his arms, he praised God, saying, "my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a Light of revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel" (vv. 30-32). Likewise, a prophetess at the temple, Anna, gave "thanks to God, and continued to speak of Him to all those who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem" (v. 38).

Indeed, the birth of Jesus Christ meant that the salvation promised so long before was finally coming to fruition. His names was called "Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins" (Matt 1:21). Jesus came into this world set for the task of procuring salvation for all who, by faith, would come to Him. Jesus was not just a plan. He was the plan. He wasn't just any way. He was the way. He is still the only way.

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me" (John 14:6).

By coming as a man into this world, He could then taste death for all, and thereby provide the means for forgiveness of sins through the shedding of His blood (Heb 2:14-18; 9:22). Praise God that He is always faithful to His word, and that He is merciful and desires the fellowship of those made in His image! ~Justo

~From Doy Moyer

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 . . .

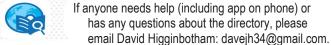
- Singing and Praise—For those who want to learn new songs as well as spend time with others lifting your voices in an outpouring of praise to God.—Zach Cleghorn—Room 408 (Overflow Room in New Wing – 1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- One Another—A study of twelve of the "One Another" passages found in the New 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 to pick up communion.

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

#### Online Pictorial Directory for Beltline Members



#### 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	Our Growth		
Worship (English)577	Baptisms-		
(Hispanic)128	English/Hispanic29/7		
Worship Total 705	Prison/WBS/Cuba2/19/1		
Bible Study (E & H)557	Requested Prayers-English45		
Evening Worship (É/H)281	Now Worshipping with Us-		
Wednesday Evening (É & H)	Now Worshipping with Us- English/Hispanic		
Our Giving Last Week			
Contribution\$43,138.26	Average\$34,172.89		
Budget\$38,718.00			

#### ONLINE GIVING

You can make your contributions by going to:
<a href="https://www.beltlinechurchofchrist.org">www.beltlinechurchofchrist.org</a> 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



Teaching the **Word**. Reaching the **World!** 

More teachers are Needed. For more information call Danny or Deborah Truitt

• 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. 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 Wed. Dec. 15! Thanks for your consideration in this good work.

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tons of spiritually uplifting content. Including a KIDS section with hours of fun learning! We hope you will use this valuable resource and share it with others.

### 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—

-35603) 112-35640)

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, Čolumbiana, 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 23

Joe Wilson

December 24

Donnie Lane Elizabeth Summerford Tyler Wright

December 25

Pat Knight

December 26

Ronnie Knox Morris Reagin

December 29

Joe Betterton Anna Higginbotham Emma McDaniel Leelan Neville Jonnie Simmons Kristen Swinea Roger Turner December 30

Jonah Flood