



WE ARE ALL
CONNECTED
IN CHRIST
EPHESIANS 4:16

November 6, 2022

TODAY

Baby Blessing . . .

We are looking forward to our annual Baby Blessing this evening at the close of our evening worship service.

Thank You . . .

Socktober was a HUGE success!! We are excited to say that we collected over 2400 pairs of socks, with the help of Adventureland who collected 1,150! We donated these to our Next Steps Program, Decatur General West, Hands Across Decatur, The Neighborhood Christian Center, and North Alabama Clothes for Kids.

Thank you for being like Jesus to our community!
~Sisters in Service

Sunday Evening, November 20 . . .

Childhaven Thanksgiving Appeal

We will be given the opportunity to give for the children at Childhaven before and after the evening worship.

There will be a table set up in the foyer.

Please make checks payable to Childhaven.

Wednesday Evening, November 23 . . .

Thanksgiving Devotional at 7:00

All classes will meet in the Main Auditorium.

Disaster Relief - Hurricane Ian . . .

A total of \$9,617 and supplies have been donated.
See Page Three on how you can contribute.

Morning Worship Service

Announcements - Charles Elliott

Worship Leader - Zach Cleghorn

Opening Prayer - Steve Smith

Song ~I Will Call Upon the Lord

Song ~ Let God Arise

Song ~ There is a Fountain

Song ~ In Christ Alone

Communion - Dennis Wallace

Contribution

Song ~ Unbroken Praise

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

Sermon - Steve Smith

Invitation Song ~ Salvation Belongs to Our God

Shepherd's Prayer - Frank Barker

Prayer Requests—An elder is present in Room 202 if you have a need for prayer during the morning worship service. Your request can be included in the Shepherd's prayer at the conclusion of the service.

Evening Worship Service

Song Leader-Zach Cleghorn

Song ~ Hard Fightin' Soldier

Song ~ Blue Skies and Rainbows

Opening Prayer-Rick Davis

Song ~ Revelation Song

Lesson-Steve Smith

Invitation Song ~ I Am Mine No More

Dismiss to Room 206 for Communion

Closing Song ~ Light the Fire

Closing Prayer ~ Gary Hill

Baby Blessing

The Gospel Unleashed – Back to Acts

The Church in Antioch...

- It is here that _____ were first called _____.
- It is here _____ were first welcomed into the church without having to _____ to Judaism.
- This church was amazingly _____ and _____.
- This was the first _____ - _____ church we read about in Scripture.

What are you being asked by God to _____ in the kingdom of God today?

What do We learn from all of this?

1. Our faith journey is going to be full of _____ and _____.

1 Kings 19:15-18

- He allowed him a time of _____ and _____ him.
- He called him out of his _____ and back to _____.
- He called him back to the _____ of God and the _____ he needed.

2. There is no _____ of the gospel without _____.

Acts 13:8; Acts 13:45; Acts 13:50; Acts 14:2; Acts 14:22

What EXPECTING Opposition Does...

- It helps us _____.
- It keeps us from _____.

3. Christian mission is NOT about helping people do a _____ better where they already are...it is about radical _____.

People should see something _____ in our actions, but being a Christian is ALSO about being _____ little by little in EVERY WAY to be like Jesus.

Remember in Prayer . . .

Reported Sick . . .

•Members & Regular Attenders . . .

Bobbie Glenn will be having a procedure on Monday in Birmingham. (210 Paine Avenue, Moulton—35650)

Amy Finch had surgery last Tuesday. (1533 Georgetown St., SW—35603)

Ward Webster had surgery on Friday for colon cancer. (2103 Chapel Hill Rd., SW—35603)

Deborah Truitt has been undergoing tests this past week. (1427 Vernon St., SW—35601)

Katie Shell is having a check-up at MD Anderson on Monday and Tuesday. (2403 Woodland St., SE—35601)

Kevin Ohnemus is recovering from shoulder surgery. (218 Peeble Creek Drive, SW, Madison—35756)

Kelly McMurry will have knee replacement surgery on November 16, at Madison Hospital. (1106 Lane Rd., NW, Hartselle—35640)

Candace Baxley is improving after being in the hospital. (2311 Randolph St., SW—35603)

George Truitt is recovering from surgery. (3709 Sabine Court, SW—35603)

Leelan Neville has shown some improvement but will have another upper endoscopy this month. (113 Dee Ann Road, Trinity—35673)

Continue to recover:

Sarah Mattox (3116 Sweetbriar Rd., SW—35603)

Gayle Dodson (446 Forest Home Drive, Trinity—35673)

Marilyn Morris from hip surgery. (P. O. Box 151, Hillsboro—35643)

Renee McGuire from back surgery. (2301 McNair St., SW—35603)

Continue to remember:

Pauline Johnston is under the care of Hospice. (3241 Upper River Road—35603); **Lindsay Elliott** (P. O. Box 1584—35602); **Jennifer Chandler** (622 Canal St., NE—35601); **Tim Shephard** (1619 11th St., SE, Apt. 47—35601); **Michael Atchley** is undergoing dialysis. (2202 Harrison St., SE—35601); **Danny Truitt** (1427 Vernon St., SW—35601); **Bernice Owens** (2706 Lexington Ave., SW—35603); **Jerry Parker** (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603); **Granville Graves** (1611 Stratford Rd., SE—35601); **Ron Garner** (81 Shirley Hill Road, Somerville—35670); **Bob Deal** (4425 Dogwood Dr., SW—35603); **Joan McCollum** (2511 Danville Rd., SW—35603); **Bonnie Ledlow** (901 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601)

Family Members & Friends . . .

Haley Sharp, niece of Sam Welsh, recovering from surgery for removal of colon and hysterectomy due to colon cancer.

Judith Reynolds, mother of Brooke Welsh, has completed her treatments for cancer and will be scheduled for surgery. (2702 15th Avenue, Haleyville—35565)

Tanesha Sherrod, is in Birmingham after a kidney transplant and is doing well. (send cards to home address: 1515 19th Ave., SE #117—35601)

Betty Perry, sister of Ward Webster, has a recurrence of cancer and had surgery on November 2. (209 N. Pine, Brewton—36426)

Paula Carmichael, mother of Amber McDaniel, has stage 4 kidney failure. (9162 Segers Rd., Lot 10, Madison—35756)

Continue to remember:

Meghan Hill (3542 Chula Vista Ridge Dr., SW—35603); **Meri Leigh Broadfoot**, granddaughter of Jeff & Alicia Broadfoot, (101 Starling Drive, Madison, AL—35757); **Jason Cartee**, brother-in-law of Kristy Suggs, battling cancer. (2025 Co. Rd. 227, Moulton—35650); **Phil & Cindy Geddes**, neighbors of Tim & Canitha Thomas, undergoing cancer treatments. (651 Jackson St., SE—35601); **Judy Cooper**, sister of Jennifer Chandler, battling cancer. (150 Densbrook Lane, Starkville, MS—39759); **Charlie Parsons** undergoing rehab (111 Gordon Drive, Madison—35758); **Lesia Coffee**, friend of Pam Kimbrell, is battling cancer. (426 Co. Rd. 455, Hillsboro—35643); **Dorothy Challus**, friend of Steve Smith, is battling cancer; **Steve Abbott**, friend of Rick & Sherryn Davis (2610 Hickory Hill Rd., SE—35603); **Don Latham**, brother of Judy Voss (493 Cochran Drive, Norcross, GA—30071); **Jennifer French** (530 West Morgan Road, SW—35603); **Carolyn Plumlee**, sister of Rita Deal (4014 Huntington Drive, Cookeville, TN—38501); **Jan Falkner**, sister-in-law of Jennifer Chandler (12902 Royal George Avenue, Odessa FL—33556); **Mike McCollum**, husband of Joan (2511 Danville Rd., SW—35603)

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

Contact Elder for November—Wayne Speegle

Deacons/Ministry Leaders for November—Ben Macklin/Jason Spivey

Please see Front Page for TODAY'S Event (s) . . .

November Calendar . . .

- 7—Monday Night for the Master will meet at 6:00 in the Fellowship Area
10—Daughters of Ruth will meet at 9:30 in the Fellowship Area
13—Deacons' & Ministry Leaders' Monthly Meeting
14—Monday Night for the Master will meet at 6:00 in the Fellowship Area
20—Childhaven Thanksgiving Appeal (See Front Page)
21—Monday Night for the Master WILL NOT MEET
23—Thanksgiving Devotional at 7:00
24 & 25—Office Closed
27—Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group will meet at 4:00 in Room 406
28—Monday Night for the Master will meet at 6:00 in the Fellowship Area

Beltline Recovery and Support Group Meetings . . .
See Back Page for Days and Times.

Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

See Front Page for Today's Events

NOVEMBER . . .

- 8—Tuesday Tour
13—Area-Wide Devo at Beltline
19—North Alabama Flag Football Tournament
20—Middle School Devo
21—Youth Thanksgiving Service Project
27—L/L Year Around Event
27—High School Devo
Please check your "Group Me" for information and other news

News & Notes . . .

Sympathy is Extended to . . .

The Family of Joseph Wright in his death. His Visitation will be Sunday, November 13, from 1:00 until 2:00 with a Memorial Service following at 2:00 at Beltline. Addresses: Rosemary's- 2403 Hideaway Place, SE—35603; ; Stephen - 106 Top of Tree Lane, Hoover—35244; Jason - 2406 Hideaway Place, SE—35603)

Notes of Thanks . . .

Have been received from Jennifer Page and Shirley Smith.

In Memory . . .

Donations have been made in memory of Carolyn Parker, Bobby Turner, Keith Thomas and Rick Clark.

Food Committee . . .

NOVEMBER—SALT Class

Public Opinion vs. Truth

One method that is used to change people's belief is the use of public opinion polls. It's a clever approach because we as humans — for the most part — like to blend in with the rest of society.

Daily we are confronted with "statistics" which are gathered from polls as to whether something is right or wrong. A colorful bar-graph in the corner of a newspaper may inform us that 55 percent of all Americans believe that one's "sexual preference" should not be a factor in determining whether they should be accepted into military; a TV network news program, before going to a commercial, may display a graphic showing that a majority of Americans believe the elderly and infirm ought to be able to commit suicide; a talk-show host may cite the results of a national poll that reveals that most Americans want the public schools to provide their children birth control advice and products. And the list goes on.

We are being fooled if we think this is anything other than an attempt to gradually change people's beliefs. The frightening part is that it's working. People are actually swayed by the results of polls. Confronted day after day that I am out of step with society, I am inclined to think that there must be something wrong with my thinking. Gradually, most people come around to thinking like most others in society.

The fact of the matter is that public opinion has absolutely nothing to do with determining truth. Though polls might be of interest to us, they should not influence our beliefs about right and wrong. A poll taken in Iraq would likely show that most of that nation favors the destruction of America. Does that make it right?

Of course, Christians are aware that our Lord expect us to be different from most of our neighbors. We are warned that we are not to be "conformed to this world" ([Rom.12:2](#)). So, it should not affect our convictions when we hear that we are not in the mainstream of our society. Our convictions are based on God's word, which does not change with the polls.

When told that most people believe one thing, let's not be ashamed to say that we believe something else — and that we believe it because our Creator has revealed the truth on the matter ([Rom. 1:16](#)). We need to remember that the vast majority of those polled are running headlong to destruction ([Matt.7:13](#)).

I once saw a sign which declared, "The Lord and I make a majority." That sounds good on the surface, but in reality, the Lord makes a majority whether I am with Him or not! It is my task to make sure that I am following Him — not "what seems right" which in reality is "the way of death" ([Prov. 14:12](#)).

One final point: What applies to polls of the general public, also applies to polls among brethren. Truth cannot be determined by finding out what most brethren believe and/or practice.

~From Al Diestelkamp

~Justo
Beltline Iglesia de Cristo

Disaster Relief News, continued . . .

Funds may be donated in multiple ways:

Beltline's Tithe.ly online donations portal now has a fund selection option specifically for Disaster Relief!

https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithe.ly/give-one-time/2220383?widget=1

Any checks deposited in the contribution boxes outside the auditorium should have "Disaster Relief" written in the memo/note/for line. Cash donated in such fashion should be placed in a similarly labeled envelope or given directly to myself.

Physical supplies may be left at the church office during business hours listed on the website, or in the lobby during service hours. Most desired items include water (gallon or bottled), no-prep or low-prep foods (bread, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, canned goods, sealed fruits, tuna packs, pudding cups, drink mix, baby food & formula), can openers, plastic cutlery, baby bottles, diapers, wipes, toilet paper, hygienic items & toiletries, tarps, 5 gallon buckets, Lifestraw drinking filters, trash bags, etc.

GREETERS

Nov. 6, 2022
Don Hull
Beverly Hull
Mary Sturges
Janice Cooke

GREETERS

Nov. 13, 2022
Danny Grissom
Fran Grissom
Steve Smith
Connie Smith

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Nov. 6, 2022 - AM Worship
Infant Nursery - 205

Pam French
Kristen Swinea
Cradle Roll - 204
Sarah Chew
Kaylan Orman
Toddler - 207
Rachel Dixon
Molly Dutton

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Nov. 13, 2022 - AM Worship
Infant Nursery - 205

Rachel Dixon
Donna Harris
Cradle Roll 204
Vanessa Macklin
Connie Pritchard
Toddler - 207
Nancy Brewer
Jennifer Crowe

Ministers:

Pulpit : Steve Smith
Hispanic: Justo Dorantes
Connections: Trae Durden
Youth: Sam Welsh
Worship: Zach Cleghorn
Young Adults: Taylor Sasser

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 2022

Our Attendance Last Week

Worship (English)..... 538
(Hispanic)..... 62
Worship Total 600
Bible Study (E & H) 439
Evening Worship (E/H) 342
Wednesday Evening (E & H) ... 338

Our Growth

Baptisms
English/Hispanic.....25/8
WBS/Cuba..... 51/60
Requested Prayers-English 44
Now Worshipping with Us-
English/Hispanic 47/8

Our Giving Last Week

Contribution.....\$36,523.59 Average.....\$33,723.04
Budget.....\$39,265.00

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



**WORLD
BIBLE
SCHOOL**

For more information
call Danny or
Deborah Truitt



Our "Next Step" 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.

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RightNow Media Access—The QR code gives you access to the biggest video Bible study library in the world! It is provided free of charge to anyone who would like access from the Beltline church of Christ. Just scan it into your phone, create your account and begin to enjoy 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 . . .

11-12—**Sisters Retreat** at Gulf Shores Church of Christ
Hosted by Decatur Highway Church of Christ. Cost: \$25.
Register by October.

Dec 2—**Benefit Dinner at Freed-Hardeman** with Kurt Warner.
Learn more at Fhu.edu/giving/dinner or call 800-FHU-FHU1,
ext 6017

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

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
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
EtHe R —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 . . .

•Ladies Class

Why God Gave Us Memories

Julie Huismann—Fireside Room

•The Bible From 30,000 Feet

There will be two classrooms available, each with multiple facilitators.

Overflow Room
Room 402

•Young Adult Class—Ages 18-25

Taylor Sasser—Room 505

•World Bible School

Danny Truitt—Room 113

Need a Ride to our Services . . .

Please call the following phone number and leave a message with your name and phone number. The bus driver will get in contact with you. (256) 274-3007

“We Care For You” List

We Continue to Remember our Members & Regular Attenders

Karla Barrera (2025 Danville Park Dr., SW, Apt. 32—35603)
Margaret Benefield (200 Autumnwood Trail—35603)
Gail Brumback (2405 Circle Dr., SE—35603)
Tara Cheatham (1420 Blackbriar Circle, Hartselle—35640)
Ed & Pat Fricks (36 Eagle Wing Drive—35603)
Craig Hoge (1211-A Brookline Ave., SW—35603)
Hildreth Lyle (517 North Seneca Drive, Trinity—35673)
Tricia Mitchell (2008 Murphree Rd., SE—35601)
Ruth Prosser (700 Cedar Lake Rd., SW, Apt. 328—35603)

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Mavis Byrd (929 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601)
Leah Favors Room 8 at River City Healthcare Facility (1350 14th Ave., SE—35601)
Nancy Gillette (3980 Hwy. 109, Columbiana, AL 35051)
Granville Graves (1611 Stratford Rd., SE—35601);
Janice Holder (Country Cottage, 2515 Old Moulton Rd., SW—35603)
Pauline Johnston (3241 Upper River Road—35603)
Steve McRight (West Minster Assisted Living , Apt. 110)
Ann McWhorter (1611 Cedar St., SW-35601)
Elise Means (2821 Sandlin Road, SW, Apt. 3C—35603)
Jerry Parker (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603)
Sharon Province (2208 13th St., SE—35601)
Morris Reagin (3216 Sweetbriar Rd. SW—35603)
Mildred Wright (1715 Iris St., SW—35601)

SHUT-INS of FAMILY & FRIENDS

Betty Jones, mother of Angela Free (902 Spring Ct., SW—35603)

“We Pray” for Others List

We Continue to Remember Family & Friends

Steve Aponte, father of Rachel (818 12th Street, West Babylon, NY—11704)

Ann Beaty, mother of Kim Farris

Chris Draper, half brother of Matthew & Meghan Letson, on dialysis. (1404 Cypress St., SE—35601)

Kay Durden, mother of Trac

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

Georgia Hames is being treated with medication for heart issues. (1814 Eastmeade, SE—35601)

Clint Harris, friend of Steve & Cindy Smith (157 Greene 7740 Road, Paragould, AR—72450)

Molly Norris, cousin of Jason Cagle

Roger Perry, brother of Doris Webster

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

Terri Selph, sister of Bob Deal (1102 Merrick Drive, Peachtree City, GA—30269)

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

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

Birthdays:

Nov. 10,
Julie Huismann

Nov. 11,
Nolan Peters
Dennis Wallace

Nov. 12,
Brenda Pettey

Nov. 13,
Travis Smith
Judy Voss
Gail Wilks

Nov. 14,
A.J. Bell
Wiley Welsh

Nov. 15,
Billie Stipe
Marley Walden

Nov. 17,
Granville Graves
Melvin Russell