



BELTLINE
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WE ARE ALL
CONNECTED
IN CHRIST
EPHESIANS 4:16

July 9, 2023

TODAY

Remember our Youth Mission Team . . .

As they arrive in Houston this morning for a week of Mission Work with Impact Inner City Missions. They will return on Saturday.



Year Round Lads Keepers, Providers & Good Samaritan event . . .

School Supply Shopping

Tuesday-July 11 at 6:00-Meet at Decatur Target

Join us to help shop for school supplies and assemble bags for some of our Hispanic congregation. (All funds will be provided for the supplies, just need helper to shop). This is a great way to kick off your Good Samaritan hours for Lads!

Summer Series — July 12 . . .

We will have Singing from 6:15 until 7:00
On Wednesday evening in the Main Auditorium.
Our speaker this week will be **John Lay**.

Israel Trip . . .

On Friday, July 14, the Israel trip team will be meeting in Steve Smith's office at 9:00 am to purchase airline tickets. If you have questions, please contact Matt Brewer.

Sisters-in-Service . . .

Is partnering with Clothe Our Kids of North Alabama and would love your support! They would like to provide a week of clothing to kids in our community and their goal is 1500 bags of clothing for the fall season! This is where you fit in!

We are asking for each family to donate \$30 during the weeks of July 16-July 31. This \$30 will help supplement the bags they give to students in need.

See Page 3 for more information.

Our "Next Step" Initiative . . .

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 at which time you may exit to the foyer where a team of people will meet you and take you to the Next Step Room, share the GOOD NEWS of Jesus with you, and identify and attempt to meet any needs you may have.

Morning Worship Service

Song Leader ~ Zach Cleghorn

Song ~ All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Song ~ I Will Call Upon the Lord

Song ~ Every Praise

Song ~ Raise a Hallelujah

Opening Prayer ~ Ronnie Solley

Song ~ Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Song ~ Above All

Communion /Offering ~ Ray Solley

(Trays will be passed)

Song ~ Just As I Am (I Come Broken)

Lesson ~ Trae Durden

Invitation Song ~ Surround Us, O Lord

Shepherds Prayer ~ Alan Robinson

Song ~ Because He Lives

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

Evening Worship Service

Song Leader ~ Zach Cleghorn

Song ~ Bless That Wonderful Name

Song ~ Firm Foundation

Song ~ Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Song ~ Cornerstone

Opening Prayer ~ Jonathan Pritchard

Lesson ~ Steve Smith

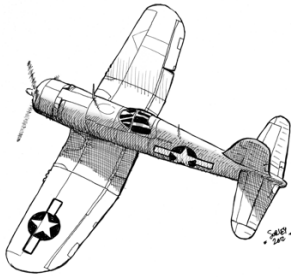
Song ~ I Surrender All

Dismiss for Communion

Song ~ Count Your Blessings

Closing Prayer ~ Max Dashner

The Gospel Unleashed
 “Stability in a Turbulent Culture”
Philippians 4:8



Principle: Use _____ Truth in _____ Places
2 Corinthians 4:17-18, Philippians 4:1-2, Philippians 3:17-21, Revelation 21:1-7
 How do your current circumstances look from God’s point of view?

What is the big truth that the Holy Spirit uses to disarm these arguing Christians?

Practice: Three Disciplines
 The Discipline of _____
Philippians 4:6, Romans 8:28, Philippians 2:13, Matthew 18:1-3
 Every time you are in trouble, or uncertain what should you set your mind on?

The Discipline of _____
Philippians 4:4-5, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Philippians 4:10-13, Luke 10:17-20
 God’s grace makes the _____ bearable and the _____ leave-able!

The Discipline of the _____
Philippians 4:6-9, John 14:27, Philippians 4:19-20
 Are you seeking the _____ of God or the _____ of peace?
 How are you seeking Him?

“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.”

Reported Sick . . .

•Members & Regular Attenders . . .

Anita Talley will have carotid artery surgery on July 11. (2812 McTavish Ave., SW—35603)

Hattie Hampton is scheduled for surgery on July 17. (3006 Sumac Road, SW—35603)

Brenda Pettey has been diagnosed with breast cancer and is scheduled for surgery on July 18. (P. O. Box 729, Trinity—35673)

Rosemary Wright had an ablation on her heart last Thursday. (2403 Hideaway Place, SW—35603)

Dallas & Mavis Byrd are undergoing rehab at Summerford Healthcare Facility. (4087 Highway 31 SW, Falkville, 35622)

Bernice Owens is undergoing tests. (2706 Lexington Ave., SW—35603)

Jeff Cagle has been diagnosed with bone cancer. (601 Cockrell Ave., SW—35601)

Sherryn Davis is now undergoing radiation treatments. (2106 St. Andrews St., SW—35603)

Continue to recover:

Jim Olinger (2016 Lancaster Ave., SW—35603)

Edilberto Álvarez (1607 College St., SE—35601)

Continue to remember:

Ward Webster (2103 Chapel Hill Rd., SW—35603); **Keith Spivey** (1904 Manchester Ave., SW—35603); **Baileigh Grace Zeanah** is being monitored by the St. Jude clinic in Huntsville. (83 Jackway Way—35603); **Gary Hill** (2404 Crown Circle, SE—35603); **Jennifer Chandler** (622 Canal St., NE—35601); **Sammy Stetler** (1912 Dresden Dr., SW—35603); **Jerry Parker** (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603); **George Wells** (4005 Saddlehorn Bend, SW—35603); **Lee & Lora Lee Brewer** (2009 Jefferson Ave., SW—35603); **Katie Shell** (2403 Woodland St., SE—35601); **Leelan Neville** (113 DeeAnn Road, Trinity—35673); **Lindsay Elliott** (P. O. Box 1584—35602); **Marilyn Morris** (P. O. Box 151, Hillsboro—35643); **Tim Shephard** (1619 11th St., SE, Apt. 47—35601); **Michael Atchley** is undergoing dialysis. (2202 Harrison St., SE—35601); **Danny & Deborah Truitt** (1427 Vernon St., SW—35601); **Ron Garner** (81 Shirley Hill Road, Somerville—35670); **Joan McCollum** (2511 Danville Rd., SW—35603); **Bonnie Ledlow** (901 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601)

Family Members & Friends . . .

Willow Chandler, granddaughter of Armer Mabry, has a recurrence of a brain tumor and has suffered a stroke. She will be having surgery this week to remove the tumor.

Jeffry Camp, cousin of Steve Harris, has cancer and having some complications. (220 Henderson Lane Talladega—35160)

Betty Jones, mother of Angela Free, fell and suffered some broken ribs. (Falkville Healthcare Center, 10 West 3rd Street, Falkville—35622)

Barry Terry, friend of Leah Favors, facing health concerns.

Terri Selph, sister of Bob Deal, continues to undergo tests. (1102 Merrick Drive, Peachtree City, GA—30269)

Jerry Fagan has been diagnosed with cancer. (452 S. Mountain Drive, Trinity—35673)

Beulah Glenn, mother of Rayburn, is having health issues.

Paxton Barksdale, son of Brent & Jennifer Barksdale and grandson of Virginia Terry (sister of Mike Nix), has been undergoing tests. (117 Merganser Blvd., Madison—35758)

Waylon Kyle, father of Tommy (son-in-law of Rick & Sherryn Davis), is undergoing cancer treatments. (173 Co. Rd. 380—35603)

Joshua Fortner, son of Robin Fortner, is recovering from a motorcycle accident. (4071 Perlita Avenue, Los Angeles, CA—90039)

Jonna Barrier, member at Falkville Church of Christ, is undergoing treatments at MD Anderson Hospital in Houston. (1333 Old Spanish Trail, STE G#379, Houston, TX—77054 through July)

Bill Gleason, husband of Francis, is undergoing treatments for a brain tumor. (1541 Bert Stinson Road, Falkville—35622)

James Morgan, brother of Joe, remains in Huntsville Hospital after open heart by-pass surgery.

Continue to remember:

Chris Draper, half brother of Matthew & Meghan Letson; **Harry Smith**, husband of Jane (4601 Pine Ridge Circle, SE—35603); **Charlie Parsons** (111 Gordon Drive, Madison—35758); **Kristi Russell**, friend of Pam Kimbrel; **Meghan Hill** (3542 Chula Vista Drive, SW—35603); **Joe Betterton, Sr.**, father of Joe (1444 2nd Ave., NE, Arab—35016); **David Osborn**, relative of Angela Free (2158 Co. Rd. 362, Trinity—35673); **Daniel Roberts**, nephew of Donna Zahnd (2041 Derbyshire Drive, Macon, GA 31216); **Betty Jones**, mother of Angela Free (2112 Berwick Place, SW—35603); **Roger Thomas**, father of Kristy Suggs; **Haley Sharp**, niece of Sam Welsh; **Betty Perry**, sister of Ward Webster (209 N. Pine, Brewton—36426); **Jason Cartee**, brother-in-law of Kristy Suggs (2025 Co. Rd. 227, Moulton—35650); **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); **Carolyn Plumlee**, sister of Rita Deal (4014 Huntington Drive, Cookeville, TN—38501); **Mike McCollum**, husband of Joan (2511 Danville Rd., SW—35603)

Contact Elder for July—Tim Olinger

Deacons/Ministry Leaders for July— Ben Macklin & Joe Prince

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

July Calendar . . .

- 10—Monday Night for the Master will meet
- 13—Daughters of Ruth will meet at 9:30 in the Fellowship Area
- 14—Israel Trip Meeting—See Front Page
- 17—Monday Night for the Master will meet
- 23—Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes (Year-Round-Events) will meet
- 24—Monday Night for the Master will meet

Beltline Recovery and Support Group Meetings . . .
Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00 pm

Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

Dates to Remember . . .

- Jul 8-15—Houston Mission Trip
- Jul 20-23—Legacy
- Jul 28-30—Ark & Kings Island

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

News & Notes . . .

Sympathy is Extended to . . .

Carolyn Roberson & Family in the death of her daughter, **Karen May**, this past week. (Carolyn's address: 815 Co. Rd. 330, Moulton—35650)

Nell Reagin & Family in the death of **Morris** last Sunday. His funeral was Saturday. (Nell's address: 3216 Sweetbriar, SW—35603)

Connie Hoogerwerf & Family in the death of her mother, **Mary Langford**, in Ozark, Alabama. (Connie's address: 2416 Jarvis St., SW—35603)

The Family of Mark McWilliams, friend of Trae Durden, in his death. A memorial service will be July 15, at 2:00, at Stony Point Church of Christ in Florence. Visitation and a reception will follow.

Baptisms . . .

Rylie, Langston and Harper Ferrell, grandchildren of Keith & Pat Spivey. (11504 Casa Marina Way, Apt. 303, Tampa, FL—33635)

Requested Prayers . . .

Bryan Flowers (179 Cave Spring Road—35603)

Notes of Thanks . . .

Have been received from **Linda Solley; David & Sue Smith; Sarah Henson; Shana McWilliams; and Harold Fuller & Family**. (See the bulletin board in the hall and the online Bulletin)

In Memory . . .

Donations have been made this week in memory of **Joan Humphries, Morris Reagin, Mary Langford and Karen Mays**.

Sisters-in-Service . . .

Clothe Our Kids, Continued . . .

Each bag adopted includes:

- 7 tops, 4 bottoms, 1 coat/jacket
- 1 new pack of socks and underwear
- 1 new pair of tennis shoes, 1 hygiene kit

Clothe our Kids works diligently with school systems to fill clothing closets and provide students with clean/proper clothing. Please donate \$30 in your classrooms to a Sisters-in-Service member or in the drop box on the Sisters-in-Service table in the foyer.

There will also be a clothing box in the foyer if you would like to drop off any gently used kids clothes.

He Missed One Service

Several years ago, Paul Harvey reported on his noon news of a 73-year-old man who was pinned beneath his farm tractor for four days and nights in driving rain and a terrible storm. Concerned friends went to see about him just in time. He survived his ordeal, but did lose a leg below the knee.

Several newspapers picked up on this little story and centered upon the amazing fact that a 73-year-old man could live after being pinned beneath a tractor for four days. Yes, all of that is amazing, but a more amazing fact is what caused his friends to go to see about him. One friend gave as the reason for this visit that "He missed prayer meeting Wednesday night." That's all? He just missed one service and his friends went to check on him.

As one preacher remarked, "I believe there are two possible suppositions we can make about this incident.

"On the one hand we could suppose that this man was so faithful and regular in his church attendance that everyone knew if he was not there, something had to be seriously wrong.

A question. What if you had been the one pinned under the tractor? Would your absence have been noticed? Or, are you so irregular in attendance that everyone would assume you decided to sleep in, or go to the lake? How many services have you missed in the last three months? Could you honestly classify yourself as a faithful, regular worshiper?

"On the other hand, we could assume that the people in this man's congregation had such a concern for the souls of men that when anyone, no matter how regular or irregular, missed a service they went to see about them."

I don't know which of the preacher's assumptions might be the more plausible, but I would like to see more men and more congregations like what he was describing.

Christians need to read Hebrews 10.22-25. No Christian can draw near unto God, hold fast the confession of his hope, or consider his brethren to provoke them unto love and good works who forsakes the assembling of the brethren together.

I have observed some church members that pick and choose which services to attend according to their mood or by what TV program is showing. These folks are here-again-gone-again and hit-and-miss at the services.

Weak brethren seem to think, "Well, so what if I'm just at services just every now and then? If that's the worst sin I ever commit, I'll make it to heaven." But are you sure of that? My Bible says that all sin separates us from God (Isaiah 59.1,2; Romans 6.23). We can lose our souls over just one sin not repented of (Acts 8.13-24).

How many times does a person have to miss to be wrong? The first time is a sin as much as the fourth time or the fortieth time if it is willful absence.

Jesus said, "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth" ([Revelation 3.15,16](#)).

Are you cold? Just exactly how faithful are you? Would you be missed if you missed just one service?

~orig. author unknown,
edited by jeremy paschall

~Justo

Beltline Iglesia de Cristo

Summer Series 2023 . . .

July 19—Jack Wilkie

July 26—Jason Helton

August 2—Lane Widick

August 9—Josh Robinson

August 16—Chris Pressnell

August 23—Thad Looser

August 30—Paddy Flanagan

GREETERS

July 9, 2023

Danny Grissom-Lobby Entrance
Fran Grissom
James Allison—North Entrance
Janice Cooke

GREETERS

July 16, 2023

Peg Roach-Lobby Entrance
Robin Fortner
Don Hull—North Entrance
Beverly Hull

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

July 9, 2023 - AM Worship
Infant Nursery - 205

Vanessa Macklin
Connie Pritchard
Cradle Roll 204
Donna Harris
Connie Holcomb
Toddler - 207
Deborah Hunkapillar
Michelle Prince

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

July 16, 2023 - AM Worship
Infant Nursery 205

Amy Orman
Katie Shell
Cradle Roll 204
Peg Roach
Kim Sinclair
Toddler - 207
Debra Curtis
Linda Heard

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 . . .

Infant Nursery—Room 205 (Not attended)
Cradle Roll—Room 204
Toddler—Room 207
Younger 2's—Room 208
Three Year Old—306
Four Year Old—311
Faith Boulevard—Education Building—Small Auditorium
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
Abundance—Room 408
Seekers—Fireside Room
S.A.L.T.—Room 323
Cornerstone—Rooms 317/318
WBS—Rooms 113/114
Spanish Speaking—Rooms 319/320

Ministers:

Pulpit : Steve Smith
Hispanic: Justo Dorantes
Connections: Trae Durden
Youth: Sam Welsh
Worship: Zach Cleghorn &
Matt Parker
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 2023

Our Attendance Last Week

Worship (English)..... 617
(Hispanic)..... 63
Worship Total 680
Bible Study (E & H) 582
Evening Worship (E/H) 249
Wednesday Evening (E & H) ... NC

Our Growth

Baptisms
English/Hispanic..... 23/5
WBS/Cuba..... 24/90
Requested Prayers-English 25
Now Worshipping with Us-
English/Hispanic 27/5

Our Giving Last Week

Contribution.....\$38,612.56 Average.....\$39,242.09
Budget.....\$40,856 .00

ONLINE GIVING

You can make your contributions by using the PushPay App or 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: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7:00 pm



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For more information
call Danny or
Deborah Truitt

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Reaching the World!

Area Events . . .

- JUL 9-12—**Gospel Meeting** at Dancy's Chapel Church of Christ with Chris Olive speaking. Sunday 9:30 Bible Study, 10:30 Worship with lunch following, 7:30 Worship and Monday-Wednesday at 7:00 pm
- JUL 22—**Ladies' Day—Finding your Place & Purpose**—at Lincoln Church of Christ. Registration begins at 8:15 am (light refreshments) Program begins at 9:00 am with Lunch served at 11:00. Register by July 17: Email: office@lincolnchurch.org or call 256-536-7211
- JUL 28—**Gospel Singing** at Decatur Church of Christ—7:00 until 9:00 pm. For more information— Web Page: www.decaturocc.com or Email: wearedecaturocc@gmail.com
- AUG 12—**Men's Seminar—How to Maintain a Sound Congregation**—at East Main Church of Christ from 8:30 am until 1:00 pm. Registration begins at 8:00 am. Lunch will be served.
- AUG 26—**Heritage Christian University Music Showcase** at Marriott Shoals Conference Center. Please contact Pat Moon at 256-766-6610 x. 334 for more information.
- SEP 8—**Ladies Conference** at Leconte Center Pigeon Forge, TN. For more information <https://www.TLCLADIES.org>.
- SEP 9—**Girls' Day—Choosing Him**—at East Main Church of Christ. Registration begins at 8:45 am. Lunch will be served.
- EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE** at FLINT CHURCH OF CHRIST begins at 7:45

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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

Birthdays:

July 13,

*Brooks Blaxton
Debbie Hetrick
Kendal Ledlow
Jessica Pritchard*

July 14,

Joan McCollum

July 15,

Katie Shell

July 16,

*Reed Burleson
Bonnie Ledlow
Gregg Pritchard*

July 17,

*Leah Favors
Matthew Letson*

July 18,

*Brendan Huisman
Tim Shephard*

July 19,

*Lily Ann Dutton
Joy Honea*

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Mavis Byrd (Summerford Healthcare Facility, 4087 Highway 31 SW, Falkville, 35622)

Leah Favors Room 8 at River City Healthcare Facility (1350 14th Ave., SE—35601)

Janice Holder (Country Cottage, 2515 Old Moulton Rd., SW—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)

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 (Falkville Nursing Home, 10 West 3rd Street, Falkville—35622)

Notes of Thanks . . .

From Shana McWilliams

"The family wishes to thank everyone who reached out and prayed for Mark and us during this difficult time. All the acts of love and kindness are appreciated."

Beltline Church of Christ
Thank you for
helping us celebrate
our 50th wedding
anniversary.

The beautiful Bible
cards, and words
of congratulation
were very much
appreciated!

In Christian love,
David & Sue Smith

Dear Beltline family,

6-30-23

Thank you so much for
all the acts of kindness during
the sickness and death of
our dear sister. Joanne
Humphries.

May God bless each one
of you.

In love

Linda Sulley

Thank you so very much
for the visits, phone calls,
cards and most of all your
prayers during my hospital
stay! They were all very
much appreciated!

In Christian Love,
Harold Fuller and Family

Dear fellow Brothers & Sisters,

Thank you from my
whole heart for the kind-
ness that you showed
my family during the
loss of my mother. Your
love was such a light
in one of the most
saddest times of our
lives. Your love will never
be forgotten.

Never too busy to say thanks to
someone as nice as you.

From all my heart,
♥ Sarah Henson