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CONNECTED
IN CHRIST
EPHESIANS 4:16

July 30, 2023

TODAY

Sisters-in-Service . . .

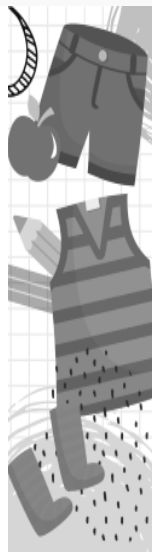


Is partnering with Clothe Our Kids of North Alabama to provide back to school clothes for children in need!

TODAY is the last Sunday!

Thank you for your amazing generosity last week!
We are getting closer to our goal! So far we have helped 178 students receive clothes for this school year!
Please help us get to our goal of 200 by donating this week!

Gently used clothes for kids are also welcome!



Summer Series — August 2 . . .

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

Ladies Class will resume Wednesday, August 2, in the Fireside Room. We will be starting a study on diverse stories from both the Old and New Testament exploring each story's key themes and how it applies to our lives today.

Julie Huismann

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 ~ A Wonderful Savior

Song ~ He Has Made Me Glad

Song ~ I Will Call Upon the Lord

Song ~ Lord, Reign in Me

Opening Prayer ~ Tom Jones

Hallelujah, What a Savior

Jesus Keep me Near the Cross

Communion /Offering ~ Bill Pettey

(Trays will be passed)

Song ~ Living Hope

Lesson ~ Steve Smith

Invitation Song ~ Break My Heart

Shepherds Prayer ~ Alan Robinson

Parting Song ~ What a Mighty God We Serve

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 ~ Matt Parker

Song ~ I Will Call Upon the Lord

Song ~ Prince of Peace

Song ~ Standing on the Promises

Opening Prayer ~ Youth

Song ~ Great are You Lord

Song ~ Awesome God

Lesson ~ Youth

Invitation Song ~ Lord Reign in Me

Dismiss for Communion

Take the Lord With You

Closing Prayer ~ Youth

The Gospel Unleashed – 1 Thessalonians #2

If we don't keep our _____ on Jesus and the _____
to come, we end up trying to turn this poor _____ world
into the _____ it will never be.

Eternity in Our Hearts?

- Our cries are more than cries of _____; they are also
cries of _____ for more and _____ than we will
ever experience in this world.
- All the things that _____ you now are to remind
you that this life is NOT all there is and to cause you to
_____ for the paradise that is to come.

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Characteristics of those Looking for the Life to Come...

1. The Suffering _____ Doesn't Cause Them to _____

- They endured suffering, why? Because they were
_____ at the life to _____.
- 1 Corinthians 4:11-13

2. They _____ the Glory of _____ Above All _____.

- If they were seeking the _____ of men, their
message would have been completely _____.
- One of the proofs of the _____ of the
message they preached is that it didn't _____
when the difficulty came.

What is the POINT?

- You cannot _____ people, so _____ to
please God.
- *What might it look like to _____ the glory of God in
your life?*
- Psalm 139:23-24

3. They _____ the Gospel in _____ and _____.

1 Thessalonians 2:9-16

Worthy Walk?

1. Believing the _____ in our _____. Vs. 13
2. Allowing the _____ to _____ in our _____.
vs. 13
3. Living it out with our _____. Vs. 14

Live for the _____!

Remember the Sick . . .

•Members & Regular Attenders . . .

Bernice Owens is undergoing rehab at NHC in Moulton after surgery. (home address: 2706 Lexington Ave., SW—35603)

Steve Holcomb is now at home after being in the hospital this past week. (2101 Stockton Lane, SW—35603)

Hattie Hampton is recovering from surgery and a recent fall. (3006 Sumac Road, SW—35603)

Hildreth Lyle had an appointment for consultation at Vanderbilt on Friday. (517 N. Seneca Drive, Trinity—35673)

Kristen Zeanah continues to undergo tests. (83 Jackson Way—35603)

Brenda Pettet is recovering from surgery and will be undergoing radiation treatments. (P. O. Box 729, Trinity—35673)

Undergoing treatments:

George Truitt (3709 Sabine Court, SW—35603)

Jeff Cagle (601 Cockrell Ave., SW—35601)

Sherryn Davis (2106 St. Andrews St., SW—35603)

Continue to remember:

Edilberto Alvarez (1607 College St., SE—35601); **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 DecAnn Road, Trinity—35673); **Lindsay Elliott** (P. O. Box 1584—35602); **Marilyn Morris** (P. O. Box 151, Hillsboro—35643); **Tim Shepherd** (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 . . .

Nell Dixon, mother of Brandon, is having health issues. (106 Alexander Village Place, Florence, AL 35634)

Glen Springer, father of Glenda Burleson, continues to recover from a stroke. (2801 Dunbarton Ct., SW—35603)

Mildred Burleson, mother of Dan, is having health issues.

Jeanne Earwood, mother of Rick, has been undergoing tests for health issues. (send cards c/o Rick: 4380 Co. Rd. 1719, Holly Pond, AL 35083)

Jerry Fagan is being treated for cancer. (452 S. Mountain Drive, Trinity—35673)

Willow Chandler, granddaughter of Armer Mabry, is being treated for a stroke and brain tumor.

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

James Morgan, brother of Joe, is undergoing rehab after heart surgery.

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)

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

Continue to remember:

Lawanda Savage, relative of Hildreth Lyle; **Jeffry Camp**, cousin of Steve Harris (220 Henderson Lane Talladega—35160); **Betty Jones**, mother of Angela Free (Falkville Healthcare Center, 10 West 3rd Street, Falkville—35622); **Barry Terry**, friend of Leah Favors;

Paxton Barksdale, son of Brent & Jennifer Barksdale and grandson of Virginia Terry (sister of Mike Nix)(117 Merganser Blvd., Madison—35758); **Beulah Glenn**, mother of Rayburn, is having health issues; **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); **Roger Thomas**, father of Kristy Suggs; **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.

**Contact Elder for July—Tim Olinger
August—David Farris**

**Deacons/Ministry Leaders for
July—Ben Macklin & Joe Prince
August—Steve Holcomb & Allen Orman**

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

July Calendar . . .

31—**Monday Night for the Master** will meet at 6:00 in the Fellowship Area

August Calendar . . .

5—**Hispanic Lectureship** at Beltline.

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

21—**Monday Night for the Master** will meet at 6:00 in the Fellowship Area

27—**Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Year Around Events**

28—**Monday Night for the Master** will meet at 6:00 in the Fellowship Area

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

Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

Dates to Remember . . .

Jul 30—Return from Trip to the Ark

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

News & Notes . . .

Sympathy is Extended to . . .

Nathan Springer & Family in the death of his father, **Reeder Springer**. A graveside service was Wednesday in Killen. (Nathan's address: 3222 Sweetbriar Rd., SW—35603)

Steve Pendley & Family in the death of his mother, **Betty Pendley**. Her funeral was Wednesday. (Steve's address: 1401 Cedarhurst Ct., SW—35603)

The Family of Helen Noblitt in her death. Her funeral was Thursday. (husband-Ray's address: 1912 Chesapeake Tr., SW—35603; daughter, **Charis Garcia**: send to same address)

Rafael & Lucina Ramirez & Family in the death of their son, **Rafael Ramirez, Jr.** His funeral was Tuesday. (3303 Cedarhurst Ct., SW—35603)

Baptism . . .

Gavin Young (145 James Road, Hartselle—35640)

In Memory . . .

Donations have been made this week in memory of **Morris Reagin**, **Granville Graves**, **Billy Melson**, **Sarah Mattox**, **Mavis Byrd**, **Rafael Ramirez, Jr.**, **Betty Pendley**, and **Helen Noblitt**.

Summer Series 2023 . . .

August 9—Josh Robinson

August 16—Chris Pressnell

August 23—Thad Looser

August 30—Paddy Flanagan

IT IS LIKE THANKSGIVING DAY!

One of my favorite holidays in this amazing country is Thanksgiving. I love how families travel from all over to be with their loved ones and of course I love the delicious food! It is wonderful to see parents, grandparents, uncles and grandchildren all together enjoying that special day.

OUR THANKSGIVING IN AUGUST

On Saturday, August 5, 2023 we will have our annual "North Alabama Lectureships". This event is every year and we do it at Beltline. We have been having these lectureships for the last ten years. This is like a thanksgiving for us. It is a time that we see each other after a whole year and encourage each other. We praise God, we eat together, we talk, we hug, we share our problems and pray for each other. It is a wonderful time to glorify God together.

WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?

Most of the congregations that attend the lectureships are congregations that we had a hand in helping them start. When there is an English-speaking congregation that wants to start a Hispanic congregation in their area, we help them by sending some of our families in that town to get them started. On many occasions those families decided to stay in that town and become a part of that new congregation. This is what we have been doing in the last twenty-six years at Beltline. We contact, we convert, we train, and we send them away to start new churches.

MANY NATIONS

When we get together during our lectureships, there are at least twenty-five countries represented. You can hear Spanish being spoken with a Cuban accent or an accent from Colombia or Peru and many others more. We have speakers from different countries who are preaching in the United States. We have classes for children, teens, men and women. This is a special day to sing and grow in the knowledge of our Savior Jesus Christ.

A WORD OF THANKS

There are not enough words to thank the Beltline congregation for all they have done to help start the Hispanic ministry. Twenty-six years ago, there was not even one Hispanic congregation in the State of Alabama. Twenty-six years later, not only a church has been established in Decatur and the state of Alabama, but also there are many that have been established inside the United States. Many others have been established in other countries. Not only that, but we continue to encourage with classes and with these lectureships to those congregations that have been established.

*"to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen".
Ephesians 3:21*

~Justo
Beltline Iglesia de Cristo

GREETERS

July 30, 2023

Nathan Jenkins-Lobby Entrance
Jason Duke
Ryan Perkins- North Entrance
Tyler Wilemon

GREETERS

August 6, 2023

Jasper Champion-Lobby Entrance
Carolyn Champion
Joe Prince-North Entrance
Michelle Prince

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

July 30, 2023 - AM Worship
Infant Nursery - 205

Rita Deal
Shirley Hill
Cradle Roll 204
Rachel Dixon
Jennifer McBride
Toddler - 207
Molly Dutton
Connie Smith

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

August 6, 2023 - AM Worship
Infant Nursery 205

Amy Orman
Connie Pritchard
Cradle Roll 204
Alicia Broadfoot
Jennifer Crowe
Toddler - 207
Nancy Brewer
Linda Hearad

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)..... 593
(Hispanic)..... 62
Worship Total 655
Bible Study (E & H) 456
Evening Worship (E/H) 258
Wednesday Evening (E & H) ... 267

Our Growth

Baptisms
English/Hispanic..... 27/5
WBS/Cuba..... 24/90
Requested Prayers-English 26
Now Worshipping with Us-
English/Hispanic 31/5

Our Giving Last Week

Contribution.....\$29,623.38 Average.....\$38,949.82
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



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/Young Adults—Room 116
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

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For more information
call Danny or
Deborah Truitt

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Area Events . . .

AUG 6—**Homecoming** at Plainview Church of Christ with Ley Jean Speaking. Morning Worship at 9:00 am, Bible Study at 10:30 and Afternoon Service at 12:30 pm

AUG 6—**3rd Annual College & Young Professionals Area-Wide Worship** at 6:00 PM at Killen Park in Killen, AL (in case of rain, worship will be at Killen Church of Christ) No Cost but Bring a Chair and Games. RSVP by July 28 to 256-777-4944 or 256-227-0714.

AUG 11—**Singing** at Weatherly Height Church of Christ at 7:00 pm

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

Birthdays:

August 3,

*Rayburn Glenn
Whitney Lawrence
Deborah Fruitt*

August 6,

*Jennifer Crowe
Carol Hamilton
Mike Neville
Abigail Pritchard*

August 4,

*Daisee Turner
Elijah Woodruff*

August 7,

*Pat Middlebrooks
Dan Fruitt*

August 5,

*Phyllis Brewer
Michael Delashaw*

August 8,

Boone Prince

August 9,

*Scott Bailey
Danny Fruitt*

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

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)

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)