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WE ARE ALL  
**CONNECTED**  
IN CHRIST  
EPHESIANS 4:16

*October 29, 2023*

## TODAY



### *The 2023 Fall Fest . . .*

Will be this evening from 6:00 to 8:00.  
Be sure to join us and invite your friends!  
Wear your favorite costume.

#### **Activities:**

- Games
- Hayride
- Campfire
- Family Portraits
- Trunk-or-Treat—If you want to participate in Trunk-or-Treat, see Matt or Elizabeth Parker.

#### **Food:**

- Hotdogs
- Chips
- Ice Cream Sandwiches

Feel free to call or text Wes French to work out any details:  
at 256-466-6501.



### *L/L Registration is Now Open . . .*

See Toby Page or Zach Starnes for Forms.

### *Sisters in Service . . .*

Would love for you to join us as we help bring in the holiday season for Haiti! Thru November 5, we will be collecting money to help Harry Hames love on his kids and we are making this easy for you! See Page Three for more information.

### *November is Our Minister Thanksgiving Month . . .*

Watch for more information in your Bible Class.

### *Ladies Mark Your Calendar . . .*

A night of prayer for all the ladies of the congregation  
November 17, at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Room. See inside 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 ~ Matt Parker**

Song ~ Come Let us Sing

Song ~ Firm Foundation

Song ~ Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

Song ~ Only a Holy God

**Opening Prayer ~ David Farris**

Song ~ Lamb of God

Song ~ Come to the Table

**Communion /Offering ~ Todd Cagle**

(Trays will be passed for Offering)

Song ~ Lord we Come Before Thee Now

Song ~ Salvation Has Been Brought Down

**Lesson ~ Steve Smith**

Song ~ In Need

**Shepherds Prayer ~ Bob Walker**

Song ~ Benediction

**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 ~ Matt Parker**

Song ~ Let God Arise

Song ~ Glory to God Forever

Song ~ Shout Hallelujah

**Opening Prayer ~ Adam Jones**

**Lesson ~ Trae Durden**

Song ~ As the Deer

Dismiss for Communion

Song ~ Amazing Grace

**Closing Prayer ~ William Orman**

## The Gospel Unleashed #27 – Acts 28

### Acts 28

- Luke wants us to know that Paul has arrived at the end of the \_\_\_\_\_. **Acts 1:8**
- Luke wants us to know that what Jesus said would \_\_\_\_\_...has \_\_\_\_\_.

God's \_\_\_\_\_ is going to be \_\_\_\_\_.

God's will is going to be done but that doesn't mean it will always \_\_\_\_\_ like we want it to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Question:** Do we walk by \_\_\_\_\_, or do we walk by \_\_\_\_\_?

**Walk by \_\_\_\_\_...**

- Even though life can be difficult and challenging you will get \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- If you walk by faith, you know that there is a \_\_\_\_\_ day coming when all wrongs will be made \_\_\_\_\_, and you will forever be with the one who \_\_\_\_\_ for you.

**Walk by \_\_\_\_\_...**

- You will only get more and more \_\_\_\_\_.
- The accuser will tell you God can't be \_\_\_\_\_, that if he loved you this wouldn't be happening.
- Walk by sight and you begin to listen and believe those \_\_\_\_\_.

**Not everyone will \_\_\_\_\_ to walk by \_\_\_\_\_...but \_\_\_\_\_ will.**

**A few things to remember...**

- Jesus did not come to change \_\_\_\_\_ mind about \_\_\_\_\_...he came to change \_\_\_\_\_ minds about \_\_\_\_\_.
- When you read the Bible so that you can \_\_\_\_\_ certain people \_\_\_\_\_ of God's story...you have read the Bible \_\_\_\_\_.

**3 Truths that make us more like Jesus...**

1. See \_\_\_\_\_...NOT \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Stay \_\_\_\_\_...NOT \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Say \_\_\_\_\_...NOT \_\_\_\_\_.

**The I AM does \_\_\_\_\_.**

**The End...**

- Why no answers? Because this book is not about Peter or Paul, it is about \_\_\_\_\_. He is the only \_\_\_\_\_ of this book.
- Luke's writing has reached its end, but in \_\_\_\_\_ end, we find our \_\_\_\_\_.
- You get to \_\_\_\_\_ the ending to this book by your \_\_\_\_\_.

## Reported Sick...

### • Members & Regular Attenders...

**Rosemary Wright** is recovering from knee replacement surgery last Tuesday and is doing well. (2403 Hideaway Pl. SE—35603). **Gail Hembree** is recovering from surgery. (909 Whispering Pines Trail SW—35603) **Richard Talley** is recovering from a broken wrist. (2812 McTavish Ave., SW—35603) **Judy Cunningham** continues to recover. (2512 Jarvis St. SW—35603) **Jennifer Chandler** has been dismissed from the Hospital in Murfreesboro. (send cards to: The Cannon, 203 Eleanor Way, Apartment 4106, Murfreesboro, TN 37130) **Bobbie Rhoades** is still experiencing heart problems. (2226 Almon Way SW—35603) **Sammy Stetler** is recovering from surgery for repairs on his foot. (1912 Dresden Dr., SW—35603)

### **Undergoing treatments:**

**Keith Spivey** (1904 Manchester Ave., SW—35603)

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

### **Continue to remember:**

**Bettie Knight** (903 Rigel Drive, SW—35603); **David Mahaffey** is having health problems. (2106 11th St. SE, 35601); **Leelan Neville** has a recurrence of health problems. (113 Deann Road, Trinity 35673); **Maria Sandoval** (1715 Cagle Ave., SW—35601); **Kristen Zeanah & Baileigh Grace** (83 Jackson Way—35603); **Edilberto Alvarez** (1607 College St., SE—35601); **Tim Shephard** (1619 11th St., SE, Apt. 47—35601); **Gary Hill** (2404 Crown Circle, SE—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); **Lindsay Elliott** (P. O. Box 1584—35602); **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...

**Harry Hames** will have heart valve replacement surgery on Wednesday at Huntsville Hospital. (1814 Eastmead Ave., SE—35601) **Nell Dixon**, mother of Brandon, will have sinus surgery on Monday; it was postponed last week. (106 Alexander Village Place, Florence—35634)

**Mac Stillwell**, (brother-in-law of Nancy Wallace & Diane Ryan) fell from a tree and is in Huntsville Hospital in serious condition. (1563 Blackhall Lane SE—35601)

**Chloe James**, 6-month-old granddaughter of Beth James at Adventureland and niece of Nan Walden, will have surgery to repair a hole in her heart on October 31. (parents: Chris and Alison James, 1199 Co. Rd. 358, Trinity—35673)

**Willie Johnson**, cousin of Hildreth Lyle, is recovering from a stroke.

**Willow Chandler**, granddaughter of Armer Mabry, undergoing chemo and radiation for brain tumors. (send cards c/o of Armer: 305 Courtney Drive, SW, Apt. 402—35603)

**Charlie Parsons** is recovering from surgery. (111 Gordon Drive, Madison—35758)

**Robin Willingham**, friend of Bobbie Glenn, is recovering from heart surgery. (425 Richmond Ave., Boaz—35957)

**Frances Ponders**, Cecil's mother, is undergoing rehab. (108 Harris Dr. Florence, AL 35634)

**Jonna Barrier**, member at Falkville Church of Christ, battling cancer. (311 Woodfield Street, Hartselle 35640).

**Lisa Smith**, sister of Rebecca Clark, is undergoing radiation treatments. (99 Lee Rd 2152, Valley, AL—36854)

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

**Will Lancaster**, friend of Amber McDaniel. (c/o Jerry Minor, 3014 Johnson Road, Huntsville—35805)

### **Continue to remember:**

**Jerry Fagan** (452 S. Mountain Drive, Trinity—35673); **Vicki Shelton**, friend of Jennifer Chandler, has lung cancer. (2004 County Park Road, Scottsboro—35769); **Melody Feekes**, daughter of Dino Roussos, has breast cancer. (3718 Voltaire Drive, Frisco, TX—75033); **Leah Trammell**, daughter of Linda Wallace, **James Morgan**, brother of Joe; **Lawanda Savage**, relative of Hildreth Lyle; **Jeffery Camp**, cousin of Steve Harris (220 Henderson Lane Talladega—35160); **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); **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 Perry**, sister-in-law of Doris Webster (209 N. Pine, Brewton—36426); **Jason Cartee**, brother-in-law of Kristy Suggs (2025 Co. Rd. 227, Moulton—35650); **Don Latham**, brother of Judy Voss (493 Cochran Drive, Norcross, GA—30071); **Mike McCollum**, husband of Joan.

**Contact Elder for October—Wayne Speegle  
November—Alan Robinson**

**Deacons/Ministry Leaders for  
October—Chad Lawrence & Mark King  
November—Jason Spivey & David Higginbotham**

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

### ***October Calendar . . .***

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

### ***November Calendar . . .***



5—**Daylight Saving Time Ends**

5—**Deacon's & Ministry Leaders' Monthly Meeting**  
In the Overflow Room

5—**Baby Blessing**

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

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

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

14—**Sisters in Service Bible Study** at 6:00 in the Fireside Room

17—**Ladies' Prayer Night**

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

23 & 24—Office Closed

26—**Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes** Year Round Events

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

28—**Sisters in Service Bible Study** at 6:00 in the Fireside Room

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

### ***News & Notes . . .***

#### ***New Baby . . .***

Congratulations to **Curt & Corianne Burton** on their baby boy, **Clyde Everett Burton**, born on Monday. (35 Co. Rd. 390, Trinity—35673)

#### ***In Memory . . .***

A donation has been received this week in memory of **Nell Reagin**.

#### ***Ladies' Prayer Night . . .***

We will have a night of prayer for all the ladies of the congregation November 17, at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Room. Please contact Alecia Ohnemus to RSVP (334.467.8734) and to sign up to bring a soup or salad to share! We look forward to seeing all of you!

#### ***Sisters in Service . . .***

Helping Haiti Kids—

There are two options! Choose one or both!

**Quarter Cards**—Challenge yourself to fill the card with quarters and this helps students stay off the Hunger Bench at Bonnette Elementary for 20 days!

**Harry's Kids Blessing Bags**—An easy way to spread holiday happiness! Bags can be filled with any monetary gift of your choice - \$25 is the suggested amount. This money will purchase Christmas gifts for the children in Haiti.

We will have a table in the foyer for you to pick up bags or cards. Please make your checks out to Flint Church of Christ and note Blessing Bags. Help us reach our goal of 700 Blessing Bags!

### ***The Walking Stick***

A few weeks ago, a dear old friend asked if I would make him a walking stick. I went to the barn and found a maple stick that I've had drying for several years. Taking it to the workshop, I peeled the bark away, sawed off the knots, and sanded it down smooth. Several coats of finish were then added along with a paracord wrap for a handle. I even took the wood burner and put his initials near the top. I believe it will be a good walking staff and serve him well.

The walking stick is a great tool for the walker and can lend great assistance. The use of a walking stick or staff has been around for a long, long time. Early in the Bible record, Jacob said that he used his staff to assist him in crossing over Jordan (Gen. 32:10). In many ways, the use of a staff can be compared to the Bible, God's word.

The shepherd's staff provided protection and comfort to the flock (Ps 23:4), God's Word gives us comfort as well with His promises of love, forgiveness, and eternal life. The walking stick can prevent the traveler from stumbling and falling. Developing the godly characteristics described in the Bible will also prevent us from spiritual stumbling (2 Peter 1:2-10).

The staff can also be used as a weapon to ward off danger. Having God's word in our minds and hearts will help us defeat the devil when he tries to destroy our faith (1 Peter 5:8). A good, strong walking stick can serve you for many years. The inspired Scriptures, once learned and applied, can and will take us through our lives and into eternity (2 Tim. 3:15).

~Via Jay Launius

~Justo

***Beltline Iglesia de Cristo***

### ***Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .***

**See Front Page for Today's Events**

#### ***Dates to Remember . . .***

Oct 30—Deadline for Sign-up & Payment for EYC

Nov 5—**Worship Tour** at Cullman Church of Christ

Nov 12—**Family Devo** at the Smiths' (not the preacher) from 6:30 to 8:30

Nov 15—Deadline to sign up and pay for Fall Retreat

Nov 19—**M.S. Devo** at the Nevilles' from 6:30 to 8:30

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

#### ***Ladies!!***

**We Supply Snacks for the Decatur Morgan Hospital's Mammography Center—**

Your snacks (i.e. Cheese Crackers, Peanuts, Rice Krispie Treats, Granola Bars, Peanut Butter Crackers, etc.) can be dropped in the basket in the foyer. We will also accept monetary donations.

Contact Beverly Ashby at 256-466-5924 with any questions.



**GREETERS****Oct. 29, 2023**

Ray Ashby - Lobby Entrance  
 Beverly Ashby  
 Stephen Sanders  
 Evonna Sanders

**GREETERS****Nov. 5, 2023**

- Lobby Entrance

**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS****Oct. 29, 2023- AM Worship****Infant Nursery - 205**

No Attendants

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No Attendants

**Cradle Roll 204**

Katie Obert

Peg Roach

**Toddler - 207**

Debra Curtis

Linda Heard

**Cradle Roll 204**

Pam French

Connie Holcomb

**Toddler - 207**

Nancy Brewer

Kaylan Orman

**Ministers:**

Pulpit : Steve Smith

Hispanic: Justo Dorantes

Connections: Trae Durden

Youth: Sam Welsh

Worship: 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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Worship (English)..... 578

(Hispanic)..... 64

Worship Total ..... 642

Bible Study (E &amp; H) ..... 483

Evening Worship ..... (E) 171+SG

Wednesday Evening (E &amp; H) ... NC

**Our Growth**

Baptisms

English/Hispanic..... 32/6

WBS/Cuba..... 28/107

Requested Prayers-English ..... 39

Now Worshipping with Us-

English/Hispanic ..... 34/6

**Our Giving Last Week**

Contribution.....\$29,565.12 Average.....\$38,021.69

Budget.....\$40,856 .00

**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

Two Year Old—305

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 115

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

**Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Classes . . .****Christian Sexuality—Trae Durden and Ben Macklin—**

Overflow Room 408

**A Study Out of Colossians and Philemon—Steve Smith,****Andrew Shaw, & Patrick Swinea—Rooms 401/402****Ladies Class—Julie Huismann—Fireside Room****Young Adults Class Ages 18-25—Taylor Sasser—Room 115****World Bible School—Danny Truitt—Room 113****Hispanic Class - Spanish speaking class—Justo Dorantes—**

Rooms 319/320

**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

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Contact information— Phone : 256-882-9799;

E-mail: [lonjones@bellsouth.net](mailto:lonjones@bellsouth.net)**Angie Speegle** offers **Alzheimers/Dementia Service.** Contactinformation Phone : 256-476-4328; E-mail: [angiespeegle@gmail.com](mailto:angiespeegle@gmail.com)**Beltline Recovery Meetings: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7:00 pm**

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call Danny or  
Deborah Truitt*

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**Area Events . . .****NOV 2—Ladies' Night—Driving through a Storm with the Top**

Down—at Meridianville Church of Christ. Registration

At 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm, Program following.

Speaker: Teddy Copeland. To register call 256-828-3448

**NOV 7—Annual Benefit Dinner** for UNA Christian Student

Center at Keestone Resort (Loretto, TN) at 7:00 pm.

Tickets \$100—call 256-764-9439 or email [unacsf@Comcast.net](mailto:unacsf@Comcast.net)**NOV 14—Heritage Christian University—Ladies' Mental****Health Forum—Managing Stress & Anxiety**—from

6:00 until 8:30 pm. For more information visit

<https://forms.gle/WQm49EkDj6r6dZAfA>**DEC 1—Freed-Hardeman Dinner** with Phil Simms &

Boomer Esiason. For more information go to:

[fhu.edu/giving/dinner](http://fhu.edu/giving/dinner) or call: 800-FHU-FHU1, ext 6017**EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE at FLINT CHURCH OF CHRIST**

begins at 7:45

## *Birthdays:*

*November 1,*

*Emma Reece Hettrick*

*Katie Lynne Page*

*David Smith*

*Nancy Wallace*

*Jack Wilson*

*November 2,*

*Brooks Olinger*

*Joan Olinger*

*Maggie Olinger*

*November 3,*

*Rodney Blevins*

*Abigail Curtis*

*November 6,*

*Elizabeth Elliott*

*November 7,*

*Brandon French*

*November 8,*

*Stephen Smith*

*Austin Williams*

## **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)