## November 30, 2025

## A Message from the Elders —

The Elders have been discussing the need to have additional men join them in service to this body of believers. We feel a congregation of this size needs more men dedicated to serving as Shepherds.

We feel strongly there are men who are already filling a shepherding role as a natural part of who they are. You as a congregation also recognize this. To that end, we ask that all of us prayerfully consider who among us meets the Biblical qualifications of elder and could serve effectively in that role.

For our consideration, please review what the Bible has to say about the qualifications and duties of an elder given in I Timothy 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-9 and I Peter 5:1-3. If you see men you believe meet these qualifications and could fulfill the role of shepherd, please speak with them about their willingness to serve. If they indicate their willingness, please submit their name in writing to any of the elders. We ask that you please submit names by December 7<sup>th</sup>.

## For those that work with our Children & Youth...

We will be providing a very helpful and informative training for anyone interested but especially those that work hand in hand with our children and youth programs!

Alyssa Stetler has been so kind as to organize and provide this mandated reporter training. Please mark your calendars for December 7th. The training will be held at 1:30 pm in the Sunday Overflow Room.

Big thanks for talented and knowledgeable people who care about our youth! The flyer is attached below for more details.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or Sam.

Email: jennifer.watson@beltlinecoc.org sam.welsh@beltlinecoc.org

Sincerely, Jennifer Watson



## 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 10:00 AM



James 1:22

"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves"

## **Morning Worship - 10:00**

Worship Leader - Matt Parker Opening Prayer - David Higginbotham Communion - Taylor Sasser Lesson - Steve Smith Shepherds Prayer - Tim Olinger

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 - 5:30**

Worship Leader – Matt Parker Opening Prayer – Patrick Swinea Lesson - Trae Durden Closing Prayer - Mack Buchanan

Wednesday Evening Bible Study—6:00

## Holiday Schedule—

Christmas Eve-Wednesday night classes will be cancelled, with no devotional.

New Year's Eve-To be determined later

#### **Unattempted #1**

A gospel culture is NOT built on people, but on participants – men and women who choose to attempt what Jesus teaches, trusting his will meet us in the effort.
James 1:22-25  • Jesus doesn't say we will be blessed in the, but we will be blessed in the
1. Talk is!
• The gospel was never meant to be from a distance; it was meant to be
• PROBLEM: Too many times, we confuse with
• The gospel isn't about perfect – it's about faithful
2 matters MORE than
• 1 Samuel 15:22
• is God's love language.
• Matthew 7:21
Matthew 21:28-32
<ul> <li>Obedience, NOT, defines sonship.</li> <li>1 John 3:18; John 13:15</li> </ul>
• 1 John 5:18, John 15:15
The ChallengeMoving from to
• Every step of obedience, no matter how, strengthens a culture.
Practical Steps
1. Start with one small act of
2. Set a 48-hour gospel
3. Replace one with one
4. Create a thing list.
5. Ask one person to you to it.
6. Practice faith.
7. Celebrate, not

### Contact Elder for November—Wayne Speegle

Deacons/Ministry Leaders for November—Jason Spivey & David Higginbotham

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

## Calendar of Events . . .

- Monday Afternoon (Night) for the Master will meet at 4:00 in the Fellowship Area. (Please note change in Name and Time)
- Beltline Recovery and Support Group Meeting are on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
- Primetimers' Wednesday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30 in the Overflow Room (408)

### December Calendar . . .

11—Daughters of Ruth will meet at 10:00 in the Fellowship Room

24-Jan 1—Office will be Closed.

## Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

See Youth Calendar on Page 7

Please also check your "Group Me" and the "New youth web page/site-beltlineyouthgroup.com" - for information and other news.

## News & Notes . . .

### Requested Prayers . . .

Javier Lozano (1610 7th Ave. SE; Decatur, AL-35601) Keyaira Stephens (606 15th Ave. NW; Decatur, AL-35601)

## Notes of Thanks . . .

Have been received from **Our Roach Family and Pamela Bolding & the NCC Ministry Team.** (Notes of Thanks are posted on the bulletin board in the hall and also on Page 5.)

## In Memory . . .

A donation has been made in the memory of James Allison.



Brothers and sisters: it is again time to collect money for the Children's Christmas Ministry in Peru. If you would like to donate for this work, please make your checks out to the

Bypass Church of Christ in Vicksburg, Mississippi. So, please find a member of the Foote family, or Lisa Bates and donate. This year the money must be collected before the 15th so that it can be sent to Peru in plenty of time for the preparations to be made. We Thank you from the bottom of our Hearts, and we pray that all of the Glory goes to God! From the Foote Family

### **Beltline Ladies!**

Join us on Thursday, December 4th from 7pm to 8:30pm for a fun evening with your sisters in Christ! This is for all ladies 6th grade and up! Please sign up using the link below.

It will be \$10 per person to cover the cost of the supplies for our ornament crafting night! If you are able to attend, we ask that you bring a yummy dessert or sweet something to share with everyone! We will provide the beverages, and that's to include a hot cocoa and coffee bar! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Jennifer Watson at jennifer.watson@beltlinecoc.org. Sign up here: <a href="https://onrealm.org/BeltlineChurch/PublicRegistrations/Event?">https://onrealm.org/BeltlineChurch/PublicRegistrations/Event?</a> linkString=NzUyNzNIMDItNmIwNy00OWU4LTk4MWItYjM 5NDAxMDhhMTlj We love you and we are looking forward to seeing you on Dec 4th! - Jennifer Watson and Amy Henderson

## Reported Sick . . .

### Members & Regular Attenders . . .

Brendan Huismann is recovering from gall bladder surgery (1940 Red Sunset Dr., SW; Decatur, AL-35603)

Jan Kirk is recovering from gall bladder surgery. (2406 11th St. SE; Decatur, AL-35601)

Jennifer Chandler was hoping to come home last week. (1408 Bradberry Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37130)

Jerre & Shirley Glover are recovering from an auto accident. Please NO Visits and Limited Phone Calls at this time. (1809 Pin Oak Cr., SW—35603)

Karen Truitt is recovering from shingles in her throat. (3709 Sabine Court SW—35603)

Jim Wallace had knee replacement surgery on November 21. (2435 Harpeth Pl., SW—35601)

Sherry Mahaffey is having breathing and lung issues. (2106 11th St., SE—35601)

#### Continue to Recover ...

Jane Smith (4601 Pine Ridge Circle, SE—35603)

Richard Talley (2812 McTavish Ave., SW—35603)

Mary Sturges (2205 Fleetwood Dr., SE-35601)

Tony Anderson (12188 Sprint Road, Tanner—35671)

#### Continue to remember . . .

Gregg Pritchard (686 Hudson Road, SW—35603); Bob Deal (4425 Dogwood Dr., SW—35603); Donnie Lane (2920 Whiteford Ln., SW—35603); Keith Spivey (1904 Manchester Ave., SW—35603); Jim Olinger (2016 Lancaster Ave., SW—35603); Nisey Singleton (50 Wilson St., NE, Harbor Village #117A—35601); Matt Brewer (2203 Martinwood Lane, SW—35603); Jerry Parker (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603); Dee Letson (1801 Summerlane, SE—35601); Bill Lindley (4102 Indian Hills Rd., SE—35603); Tim Shephard (1619 11th St., SE, Apt. 47—35601); Maria Sandavol (1715 Cagle Ave. SW—35601); Margaret Benefield (2447 Cameron St., SW—35603); Bettie Knight (903 Rigel Drive, SW—35603); Edilberto Álvarez (1607 College St., SE—35601); Lindsay Elliott (P. O. Box 1584—35602); Danny & Deborah Truitt (1427 Vernon St., SW—35601); Bonnie Ledlow (901 Fretwell Ave., SW—35601).

#### Family Members & Friends . . .

Steve Aponte, father of Rachel, remains in the hospital. (818 12th Street, West Babylon, NY—11734)

Chris Humphries, son of Kim Pendley, awaiting results from a scan. (3299 Hillard Drive, Vestavia—35243)

Marcy Eastep, niece of the Delashaw's, has been diagnosed with stomach cancer and going to MD Anderson.

Cindy Bruce, niece of Leana Hoogerwerf, is doing better, no longer in a induced coma but still critical. (P. O. Box 1246, Newport, OR—97356)

Tim Mixon, cousin of Ann Stidham, had a successful bone marrow transplant and doing better.

Judy Thomason, sister-in-law of Leana Hoogerwerf, is undergoing cancer treatments and doing better. (102 Oriole Lane, LaPlata, MD—20646)

Monica Wright is now at the home of her mother. (Send cards c/o Karen Greene, 1370 Co. Rd. 9, Louisville, AL—36048)

James Lanham, grandfather of Alecia Ohnemus, is having health issues. (c/o Valera Brown, 130 Poplar St., Prattville—36066)

**David Johns**, son-in-law of Charles & Judy Voss, is undergoing chemo and radiation treatments for colon cancer. (355 Co. R. 527, Hanceville—35077)

Christy Glenn, daughter-in-law of Rayburn Glenn, struggles with MS. (8632 Co. Rd. 12, Arley—35540)

Kelsey Cameron, niece of Bobbie Glenn, is waiting to hear from the neurosurgeon in NY about her brain surgery.

**Tim Pepper,** brother of Beth Spann, is having health issues with Parkinson's disease.

Rachel Sharp, niece of David Farris, has Hodgkin's Lymphoma and is undergoing chemo treatments. (5933 Hitching Post Ln, Nashville, TN—37211)

John Demas, from Maywood, is having heart problems. (410 McRae Road, Deatsville—36022)

Yvonne Worndle, former missionaries at Beltline, undergoing pancreatic cancer treatments.

David Underwood, friend of Amber McDaniel, has cancer in his throat and on his spine. (David & wife, Pamela, Underwood, 139 Myers Road, Flintville, TN—37335.

Glennis Posey, friend of Lloyd Johnston and Trae Durden, is in rehab after a stroke.

**David Garner,** son of Kathy, has cancer in his spine.

Misty Haston Hice, daughter of Ricky Hice, is undergoing treatments for breast cancer.

#### Continue to remember:

James Lake, former member at Beltline; Beulah Glenn, mother of Rayburn; Dennis Truitt, son of Karen, (936 Eagle Drive, Monticello, GA—31064); Gary Stewart, brother of Linda Wallace, (624 Market St., Scottsboro—35768); Kelly Brown, sister of Amber McDaniel, struggling with health issues. (9162 Segers Rd. #10, Madison—35756); Jim Hampton, brother of Sissi Tanksley; Marie Tank, grandmother of Bailey Tank; Anthony Ryan, son of Diane; Harry & Georgia Hames (1814 Eastmead Ave., SE—35601); Harry Smith, husband of Jane (4601 Pine Ridge Circle, SE—35603); Scott Stringer, relative of Sissi Tanksley; Chris Draper, brother of Matthew & Meghan Letson (902 Enslen Circle SW. Hartselle 35640); Morris Bradford, son-in-law of Ann Melson; Rose Pitt, niece of Cora Sue Morgan, has breast cancer; Nicole Leeph, niece of Pam Kimbrel; Anita Hall, grandmother of Lori Neville; Mary Lou Lanier, grandmother of Lori Neville; Jack Sellers, cousin of Starla Tsosie; Jeremiah Williams (293 Church St..., Hartselle 35640); Meri Leigh Broadfoot, granddaughter of Jeff & Alicia; Roger Perry, brother of Doris Webster; (829 Reynolds Crest, Birmingham, Al. 35242); Nell Dixon, mother of Brandon (106 Alexander Village Place, Florence-35634); Leah Trammell, daughter of Linda Wallace; Jeffry Camp, cousin of Steve Harris (220 Henderson Lane Talladega—35160); 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)

#### SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Martha Baggett (Room 112B, Summerford Healthcare Facility, 4087 Hwy. 31, SW, Falkville—35622)

Libby Birdwell (422 Carridale St., SW—35601)

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

Bill & Marian Lindley (4102 Indian Hills Rd., SE-35603)

Steve McRight (NHC, 300 Hospital Street, Moulton—35650)

Ann McWhorter (1611 Cedar St., SW-35601)

Elise Means (1003 Way thru the Woods, SW)

Dot Watson (Westminster Assisted Living)

Mildred Wright (1715 Iris St., SW—35601)

GREETERS November 23, 2025 Lobby Entrance

Jasper/Carolyn Champion Randy Smith/Vicki Hill GREETERS
December 7, 2025
Lobby Entrance
Steve/Connie Smith
Barbara Ray/ Carolyn Wells

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS November 23, 2025 Infant Nursery 205 No Attendants

Cradle Roll 204
Phyllis Brewer
Shirley Hill
Toddler - 207
Amy Orman

Katie Shell

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS November 30, 2025 <u>Infant Nursery 205</u>

No Attendants
Cradle Roll 204
Jenna Cowart
Amy Tidwell
Toddler - 207
Jessica McMurry
Leighann Underwood

## 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 Nursery—Room 204

**Toddler Nursery**—Room 207

Younger 2's—Room 208

Two Year Old—305

Three Year Old-306

Four Year Old—311

Faith Boulevard—Small Auditorium & Education Building

Middle School/High School—Rooms 502-508

Young Adults—Room 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

Cornerstone—Rooms 317/318

**S.A.L.T.**—Room 323

Newcomers—Room 206

WBS-Rooms 113/114

## Wednesday Morning Class . . .

Will meet at 10:30 in the Overflow Room (408)

## Wednesday Nights . . .

Nurseries and Two Year Old thru Faith Boulevard

Classes—same as Sunday Morning

Middle School/High School—Rooms 502-508

Serenity—Rick Earwood—Room 401

Ladies Class—Julie Huismann—Fireside Room

Portrait of God—Trae Durden & Wayne Speegle—

Overflow Room (408)

World Bible School—Danny Truitt—Room 113

Hispanic 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

#### Ministers:

Pulpit: Steve Smith Hispanic: Justo Dorantes Connections: Trae Durden

Youth: Sam Welsh

Assistant Youth for Girls: Jennifer Watson

Children: Brooke Welsh Worship: Matt Parker

### Times of Services:

Sunday Bible Study - 9:00 a.m. Worship - 10:00 a.m. Evening - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.
Wifi: Beltline Guest Portal
Password: beltline

2159 Beltline Road, S.W.—Decatur, Alabama 35601 E-mail: office@beltlinechurchofchrist.org Phone: (256) 353-1876 Website: www.beltlinechurchofchrist.org. Fax: (256) 353-7892

#### **REFLECTIONS for 2025**

Our Attendance Last Week	Our Growth			
Worship (English)658	Baptisms			
(Hispanic)56	English/.Hispanic45/4			
Worship Total714	WBS/Cuba			
Bible Study (E & H)448	Requested Prayers-English71			
Evening Worship120+SG	Now Worshipping with Us2			
Wednesday Evening (E & H) NC	English/Hispanic 81/4			
Our Civing Last Work				

#### Our Giving Last Week

Contribution	\$120,938.97	Average	\$43,360.02
	Budget	\$42.754.00	

#### ONLINE GIVING

You can make your contributions by using the **Realm Connect App** or 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, Bailey Gammill & Alex Farris** offer *Counseling Service* to our Beltline Members. Contact information—

Lonnie—Phone :256-882-9799; E-mail: lonjones@bellsouth.net

Bailey—Phone: 256-274-4462 Alex—Phone: 256-207-8173; Email: alex@alexfarriscounseling.com.

Angie Speegle offers Alzheimers/Dementia Service. Contact information Phone: 256-476-4328; E-mail: angiespeegle@gmail.com



For more information call Danny or Deborah Truitt

# rightnow MEDIA.

**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 . . .

DEC 14—Area-Wide Youth Series—Transformed-Crushed to Confident— at Ninth Avenue church of Christ in Haleyville with Chuck Morris speaking at 5:00 pm

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

# Birthdaus:

December 4, Kerri Pickens

December 5, Luke Hasting December 6, Brandon Bell Lee Clark Henry Jones

December 7, Jordan Buchanon December 8, Judd Bailey Rachel Dixon Cecily Lyle Calvin McBride

December 9. Bob Hoogerwerf

December 10. Xander Parker Cecil Founders

# News & Notes, Cont'd:

### *Ladies!!*

We continue to 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.

Consider Donating . . .

To the Christian Education Scholarship Fund or the Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund (also known as the Mike Nix Scholarship Fund). Donations can be made Online. They also can be made by check to Beltline Church of Christ with the Scholarship Fund to which you are giving noted in the memo line.

#### ONLINE DIRECTORY:

Realm Connect will be our source to see our member online directory. So that we can make sure that we keep your information as secure as possible, this will only be available to our members here at Beltline.

We ask that you send an e-mail to office@beltlinechurchofchrist.org and request an invite to Realm and you will be sent an e-mail with instructions on how to access your account.

# Notes of Thanks

To our Beltline Family, Thank you from the deepest places of our hearts. tenfold the Kindness, Your Support, your prayers, your love, and the way you have stepped in as the literal hands and feet of Jesus, have carried our family in ways well never forget. This is what grateful looks like on every spectrum; because of you. We love you more than we Can express, and we pray That God's richest blessings Continue to Gall upon each

family represented here. May He return to you compassion, and generosity you've poured into us. With all our love & grutitude, Your Roach Family Dear Beltling CoC Sisters in Service Shank you Sornuck for all the Socks and under we are you in Held Blding nece ministry Jean

## Letter from Bob Walker...

In July, 2000 I was granted the greatest opportunity of a lifetime - appointment as an elder of the Beltline Church of Christ. After 25+ years I believe it is time to step aside and let someone have my seat at the table of elders. This will be effective as of 1/1/26. I do not leave because of concerns I have for the direction of the Beltline Church. I am not hurt and I am not angry. In my mind, it is time. Many good men of this great church are qualified to serve in the role of elder/shepherd and now is the time to step forward. The Beltline Church is not perfect and no doubt we would get reprimanded for some things if we were the eighth church mentioned in Revelation. However, I believe that the Beltline Church is committed to the work of the Lord, is growing and positioned to grow exponentially over the next few years. You are a good church. Now is a good time to be seated at the table of elders. I thank you for this wonderful opportunity given to me. I will continue to "shepherd" as to the best of my ability even though I will not carry the title. I thank Beth who has been a faithful support as a shepherd's wife and will continue to serve in every way that she can. I thank my children, Charlie, Mary Kyle and Claire for their understanding and support back in the earlier years when they were still under our roof. I have full confidence and trust in our leaders. They are faithful and committed men of God and they pray constantly for each of you. They have your best interest and the interest of the church as a whole at heart. They care for your soul. It has been a privilege to work with them and I count it a privilege to work under them. I have always called them the greatest "small group" of the church. May the Lord bless each of you.

Thank you, Bob Walker

## Wednesday Night Classes for Adults Beginning November 5...

### Serenity

What are the gods in your life, and what is most important to you? Is it your sexuality, money, work, power, relationships, activities, alcohol, or other drugs? Do any of these areas dominate your thinking and your actions? If so, they may represent dependencies. **Serenity®**, a book that addresses this problem, can assist you in restoring these areas of your life to proper balance by examining how God speaks to your dependency and how He can liberate you and restore you to wholeness stability, and a perfect relationship with him.

#### **Rick Earwood**

Room 401

#### Ladies Class

This class will be about the first coming of Christ, looking at key verses from creation to the birth of Jesus.

#### Julie Huismann

Fireside Room

#### Portrait of God

Join us as we journey through the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelation and discover how everything in the Bible points us to Jesus!

"If you took a figurative pin and pricked any book of the Bible, any chapter of any book, any verse of any chapter, any word in any verse, any letter in any word of the Bible it will bleed with the blood of Christ!" - Frank Chesser, Portrait of God

### Trae Durden and Wayne Speegle

Overflow Room

#### World Bible School

#### **Danny Truitt**

Room 113

#### Hispanic Class

#### **Justo Dorantes**

Rooms 119/120



# November 2025 NEWSLETTER

# **Upcoming Events**

- Flag Football—Nov 22nd
- Girls' Craft Night -- Dec 4th
- Area Wide Devo
   @Cullman--Dec 7th
- BYG XMAS Party-Dec 17th
- EYC-- Dec 27th-30th
- MAYWOOD
   REGISTRATION Jan 1st

# **Weekly/Monthly Activities**

- Life Groups (1<sup>st</sup>
   Wednesday of the
   Month) --Nov 5th @6PM
- Fwednesday--NOV 19th at 7PM (Come hangout; bring \$2 for a treat after class)

# **Winter Quarter Classes**

Sunday AM Classes (Nov-Jan)

6th-8th (RM 502)--Acts 9th/10th (RM 505)--1st Corinthians 11th/12th (RM 508)--Revelation

Wed PM Classes (Nov-Jan)

6th-8th (Rm 502)--Truth Be Told 9th/10<sup>th</sup> (Rm 505)-- Grace 11th/12<sup>th</sup> (Rm 508)--Defending Your Faith

# **Important Reminders**

- Wednesday Classes are at 6PM!
- Flag Football practices are scheduled on the BYG Google Calendar.
- Registration for GULF &
   Winterfest are open for 2026.
- PLEASE help us wrap up our budget for 2025, if you have any outstanding payments from summer or other events, please use the pay later form on our website mentioned below.
- Any questions or special requests? Please ask!



Please remember to check our calendar! All events are updated on the Google Calendar on the website. Visit us at www.beltlineyouthgroup.com
We love you and God loves you! -Sam & Jenn

