



WE ARE ALL
CONNECTED
IN CHRIST
EPHESIANS 4:16

February 8, 2026

THIS WEEK

Starting Monday, February 9—

A New Small Group Bible Study—

Will meet in the Overflow Room at 6:00 pm. The study will dive deep into the book of 1 Peter and will be led by Steve Smith. Come and grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus!!

Tuesday, February 10—6:30 pm —

***Morgan County Regional Partnership Dinner
supporting Heritage Christian University***

Thursday, February 12—6:00 pm—

***Beltline Ladies Ministry—
in the Fellowship Area—***

In an effort to re-establish the women's ministry, you are invited to attend the first monthly "encourage (HER)" event! Come join your sisters for food, fellowship and fun while we plan a year of intentional connection together. Please bring your favorite finger food, salad or soup to share!

See our Flyer on Page 6.



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 morning service, 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



Ephesians 2:1-3

"And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the flesh and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind."

Morning Worship - 10:00

Worship Leader - Matt Parker

Opening Prayer - Philip Williams

Communion - Mack Buchanan

Lesson - Steve Smith

Shepherds Prayer - Tim Thomas

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 - Zack Starnes

Lesson - Mitch Henry-Faulkner President

Closing Prayer - Taylor Sasser

Wednesday Evening Bible Study—6:00

The Church God Has Always Wanted – February 8, 2026

Ephesians 2:1-10

- Paul's prayer in chapter 1 reminded us that Jesus was _____, but God _____ and _____ him.
- These verses remind us that just as Jesus was _____ and _____, we too were raised and exalted in Christ and delivered from the _____ of death and evil.

1. _____
 - Dead people do not need _____ or encouragement...they need a _____.
 - This wasn't a _____ condition – it was _____.
 - Christianity is NOT about helping _____ people become _____. It is about God making _____ people _____.

Why were we Dead?

- _____ – crossing a known _____, a deviation from the right _____.
 - _____ – missing the mark, falling short of the _____.
 - Outside of Christ, we are both _____ and _____.
2. _____
 - Before Christ, freedom wasn't something we _____; it was something we _____ had.

The World – Society organized without _____ to God.

The Flesh – not skin and bones, but our _____ human _____.

The Devil – Not just the Devil, but the _____ he holds.

Outside was the _____, and inside was the _____, and beyond both, actively working through those two things was the _____, who held us in _____.

3. _____
 - If God had done _____, we would still be dead, and God would have been perfectly _____ in leaving us there.

The wrath of God...is NOT like human _____. It is God's personal, righteous, constant _____ toward evil.

BUT GOD...

- It was not, but we _____. It was not, but we _____.
- It was not, but we _____. It was _____.

God didn't _____ with our sentence – he _____ it. Jesus stepped into the _____. Jesus took the cross. Jesus _____ the _____.

Contact Elder for February—Eric Baxley

Deacons/Ministry Leaders for February—Charles Elliott & Stephen Smith

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

Calendar of Events . . .

- **Monday for the Master** will meet at 4:00 in the Fellowship Area.
- **Beltline Recovery and Support Group Meetings** are on Tuesday at 7:00 pm and Saturday at 6:00 pm
- **Primetimers' Wednesday Morning Bible Study** meets at 10:30 am in the Overflow Room 408

February Calendar . . .

8—**Deacons & Ministry Leaders Monthly Meeting**

9—**New Small Group Bible Study** will begin at 6:00 PM in the Overflow Room. (See front page)

10—**Heritage Christian University Morgan County Regional Partnership Benefit Dinner** (See Flyer on Page 7)

12—**Daughters of Ruth** will meet at 10:00 in the Fellowship Area.

12—**Beltline Ladies Ministry—Ladies Inspiring Growth & Harmony Together**—will meet in the Fellowship Area at 6:00 pm. For more information see front page and our Flyer on Page 6

15— Ladies you are invited to a *Come & Go Bridal Tea for Anna Flood Robinson on Sunday, February 15, from 1:30 to 3:00 pm at the home of Cindy Cook, 2404 Selma Street, SW. Selections at Amazon.com & Target*

Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

See Page 8 for February Calendar
Maywood Registration is now Open

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

News & Notes . . .

Sympathy is Extended to . . .

The Family of Mildred Wright in her death this past week. (1715 Iris St., SW—35601)

Note of Thanks . . .

Has been received from **Lola Peters**. (Notes of Thanks are posted on the bulletin board in the hall and on Page 5.)

Ladies!!

We are continuing to Supply Snacks for the Decatur Morgan Hospital's Mammography Center for another year.

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.

“We Care For You” List

Sick . . .

Members & Regular Attenders . . .

A. C. Connor has been diagnosed with cancer and will have surgery on February 16. (1422 Vestavia Dr SW—35603)

Lola Peters is recovering from back surgery. (2221 Cameron St., SW—35603)

Jennifer Chandler is now at home after being in the hospital. (1408 Bradberry Drive, Murfreesboro, TN—37130);

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

Jennifer Cross has ongoing nerve pain. (4725 County Road 585, Town Creek—35672)

Rayburn Glenn is recovering from Covid. (210 Paine Avenue, Moulton—35650)

Continue to Recover . . .

Shirley Hill (2404 Crown Circle, SE—35603)

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

Joe Wilson is undergoing rehab. (home address: 100 Wilson St., NE, Apt. 904—35601)

Karen Truitt (3709 Sabine Court SW—35603)

Sherry Mahaffey continues to have lung issues. (2106 11th St., SE—35601)

Jerre & Shirley Glover (1809 Pin Oak Cr., SW—35603)

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

Continue to remember . . .

Gail Brumback (home address: 2405 Circle Dr., SW—35603); **Richard & Anita Talley** (2812 McTavish Ave., SW—35603); **Bobbie Glenn**

(210 Paine Avenue, Moulton—35650); **Bob Deal** (4425 Dogwood Dr., SW—35603); **Donnie Lane** (2920 Whiteford Ln., SW—35603); **Keith**

Spivey (1904 Manchester Ave., SW—35603); **Jerry Parker** (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603); **Maria Sandavol** (1715 Cagle Ave. SW—

35601)

Family Members & Friends . . .

Ty Glenn, son of Rayburn, had leg surgery last year after an accident. He had surgery last Thursday at UAB to remove the hardware due to infection.

Joyce Massey, sister of Gail Delashaw, suffered a stroke.

Donna Bain Brannan, sister of Brenda Pettey, has been diagnosed with lung melanoma.

Jennifer Noblitt, daughter-in-law of Ray, was injured in a fall.

Jo Anna Allen, mother of April Gwin, is undergoing chemo treatments for colon cancer. (10274 Hwy. 43, Killen—35645)

Russ Harrelson, friend of several at Beltline and our insurance agent, has been diagnosed with brain tumor. (2324 Springdale Rd., SE—35601)

Georgia Hames is recovering from a fall. (1814 Eastmead SE—35601)

Joyce Fuller, mother of Karen Pirtle is in NHC, Room 115-A with a broken hip and fractured shoulder. She is also the sister-in-law to Freda Fuller.

(NHC Healthcare, 300 Hospital St., Room 115-A, Moulton—35650)

Reba Williams, aunt of Karen Pirtle, is in NHC recovering from a broken femur. (NHC Healthcare, 300 Hospital St., Room 115-B, Moulton—35650)

Chris Humphries, son of Kim Pendley, has thyroid cancer and undergoing treatment. (3299 Hillard Drive, Vestavia—35243)

Steve Aponte, father of Rachel, is not doing well. (home address: 818 12th Street, West Babylon, NY—11734)

James Lake has a recurrence of cancer.

Beth Sheldon, niece of the Delashaw's, was to have cancer surgery in Colorado.

Marcy Eastep, niece of the Delashaw's, has started treatments and consulting Emory hoping to enroll in a trial.

Cindy Bruce, niece of Leana Hoogerwerf, is slowing improving. (P. O. Box 1246, Newport, OR—97356)

PLEASE NOTE:

To help keep the Family Members & Friends list active, the family member or friend will remain on the lists for two to three weeks. Please give us an update if they need to be on the list for a longer period of time.

Thank you for your help.

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

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

Margaret Benefield (2447 Cameron St., SW—35603);

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 is in NHC in Moulton (home address: 1003 Way thru the Woods, SW)

Jerry Parker (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603)

Dot Watson (Westminster Assisted Living)

Rosemary Wright (2403 Hideaway Place, SW—35603)

GREETERS
February 8, 2026
Lobby Entrance
Jonathan/Rebekah Clark
Stanley/Melinda Allen

GREETERS
February 15, 2026
Lobby Entrance
Casey/Karen Pirtle
Barbara Ray/Carolyn Wells

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS
February 8, 2026
Infant Nursery 205
No Attendants
Cradle Roll 204
Phyllis Brewer
Peg Roach
Toddler - 207
Taylor Farris
Leigh Ann Underwood

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS
February 15, 2026
Infant Nursery 205
No Attendants
Cradle Roll 204
Katie Shell
Canitha Thomas
Toddler - 207
Sarah Chew
Cindy Cook

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

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REFLECTIONS for 2026

Our Attendance Last Week	Our Growth
Worship (English)..... 624	Baptisms
(Hispanic)..... 64	English/Hispanic..... 1/4
Worship Total 688	WBS/Cuba..... /
Bible Study (E & H) 501	Requested Prayers-English 5
Evening Worship 108	Now Worshipping with Us
Wednesday Evening (E & H)	English/Hispanic 4/4
Our Giving Last Week	
Contribution.....\$41,609.97	Average.....\$41,921.03
Budget.....\$43,728.00	

ONLINE GIVING

You can make your contributions by using the **Realm Connect 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, 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



**WORLD
BIBLE
SCHOOL**

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 . . .

- FEB 10—**Morgan Co. Regional Partnership Dinner** supporting Heritage Christian University at Beltline. See page 7.
- FEB 28—**Ladies Day**—Empowered by the Holy Spirit—Speaker: Lorri Boyd—at Madison Church of Christ from 10:00 until 2:00 pm. Cost: \$25—BBQ Potato Bar & T-Shirt included. Register online
- MAR 7—**Valley & Furnace Men's Conference** at Riverchase Church Of Christ from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm. For information to register: office @riverchasechurch.org
- MAR 14—**Ladies' Day**—You Can't Always Have It Your Way—Speaker: Celicia Grider at Guntersville Church of Christ—9:00 am-1:00 (Lite Breakfast & Lunch Provided—Childcare Provided) RSVP by March 1: 256-582-2494
- MAR 14—**Ladies' Day**—If the Shoe Fits—Speakers: Emily Knighten & Melody Oglesby at Oneonta Church of Christ—Registration at 8:15: Session 9:00-11:00 am (Lunch provided)
- 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 . . .

- Infant Nursery—Room 205 (Not attended)
- Cradle Roll Nursery—Room 204
- Toddler Nursery—Room 207
- 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
- Spanish Speaking—Rooms 319/320

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 Class—Rick Earwood—Room 401
- Women: Growing Fruit Where You Are—Margie Tidwell,
Sandra Sandlin, Christy Williams—Room 402
- Ladies Class—Julie Huisman—Fireside Room
- Portrait of God—Trae Durden & Wayne Speegle—
Overflow Room (408)
- Marriage: Journeying Together—David Farris &
Alex Farris—Fellowship Area
- 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

Birthdays:

February 12,
Bo Spivey

February 17,
Joe Morgan
Brad White

February 14,
Kim Pendley
Adam Tidwell

February 18,
Braxton Zelinsky

February 16,
Tara Cheatham
Max Dashner
Anna Harbin
Louise Parker

News & Notes, Cont'd:

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.

Note of Thanks

Thanks Beltline Family for
the prayers, food & cards &
love, after my back surgery!
You don't know how important
your brothers & sisters are
until a sickness!

May God Bless Each
of you
Lala Petters

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Classes Started February 4, 2026 . . .

Serenity Class

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

Women: Growing Fruit Where You Are

This class is designed to help ladies incorporate the fruits of the Spirit in their daily lives at any stage of life. We will use Biblical examples of women of the Old and New Testaments to see how we can grow these fruits and use them to become more unoffendable.

Margie Tidwell, Sandra Sandlin, and Christy Williams
Room 402

Marriage: Journeying Together

Learn ways to bring your mind and heart closer to God and closer to each other.

David Farris and Alex Farris
Fellowship Area—Service Center

Ladies Class

A study of the minor prophets in chronological order. This study will go through the division of the kingdom of Israel, the kings who ruled, what led to exile, the exile period and post-exile leading up to the period of silence between the Testaments.

Julie Huisman
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



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MORGAN COUNTY REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP DINNER

supporting

Heritage Christian University

Tuesday, February 10th at 6:30 PM

at

Beltline Church of Christ
2159 Beltline Road SW
Decatur, AL 35601



Please join us for the annual Morgan County Partnership Dinner. The cost to attend is \$500 per table of ten or \$50 per individual seat. The deadline for reservations is February 3rd.

For reservations or for more information, e-mail Terri Brown at tbrown@hcu.edu or call 256-766-6610.

Upcoming Events

- **Heritage Benefit Dinner--
Feb 10th**
 - **Winterfest--Feb 13th-
16th**
 - **Barrels of Love--March 6th
& 7th**
 - **L2L--April 2nd-5th**
 - **BYG Life Group Retreat--
April 17-19th**
 - **Girls Weekend--May 1st-
2nd**
- ### Weekly/Monthly Activities
- **Area Wide Devo--Feb 1st**
 - **Life Groups (1st
Wednesday of the Month)
--Feb 4th**
 - **Heritage Benefit Dinner**
 - **Need youth to help!**
 - **FWednesday--Jan 21st
(@7pm in RM 508)**

Spring Quarter Classes

Sunday AM Classes (Feb-Apr)

- 6th-8th (RM 502)--Acts
- 9th/10th (RM 505)--Fruit of the Spirit
- 11th/12th (RM 508)--Isaiah

Wed PM Classes (Feb-Apr)

- 6th-8th Boys (Rm 505)--How to Study the Bible
- 6th-8th Girls (Rm 502)--How to Study the Bible
- 9th/10th (Rm 508)-- Jesus (The Chosen)
- 11th/12th (The Vineyard)--World Religions

Important Reminders

- **Need volunteers for the
Heritage Benefit Dinner!**
- **Sign up for BYG Life
Group Retreat in now!**
 - Our Retreat speaker is going to be Matt Miller! You don't wanna miss!!
- **Girls and Moms interested in doing our Girls Weekend/Girls Day in May please sign up!**



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