



WE ARE ALL
CONNECTED
IN CHRIST
EPHESIANS 4:16

July 12, 2026

TODAY

Morning Worship Service
10:00 AM

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.

Mark Your Calendars



July 15
BLOOD DRIVE
More details on Page 2



Threads for \$30
JULY 12-26, 2026

\$30 provides a child with
7 Tops, 4 Bottoms, 1 New Pack of Socks
and Underwear, 1 New Pair of Tennis Shoes,
1 Hygiene Kit, 1 Coat/Jacket

We will also accept gently used children's clothes.

SCAN TO DONATE:



Clothe Our Kids is not affiliated with the Church of Christ but is a non-profit in our community that supplies clothing and shoes to children in need.



Ephesians 6:23-24

“Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible.”

Morning Worship - 10:00

Worship Leader - Matt Parker
Opening Prayer –
Communion – Frank Barker
Lesson - Steve Smith
Shepherds Prayer - Blake McAnally

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 – Andrew Orman
Lesson— Jaxson McAnally
Closing Prayer - David Higginbotham

Wednesday Evening Bible Study—6:30

The Church God Has Always Wanted – July 12, 2026

How do we stand against the powers? Total Dependence on God.

The focus of Ephesians is NOT on the strength of the enemy but the supremacy of Jesus.

Ephesians 6:18-24

Where Paul has taken us...

1. God has always wanted a church centered on Jesus.
2. God has always wanted a church that lives in grace.
3. God has always wanted one new humanity.
4. God has always wanted a holy church.
5. God has always wanted a church marked by love.
6. God has always wanted a church that displays HIS wisdom.
7. God has always wanted a church that stands firm in Christ's Victory.

Paul's final emphasis: PRAYER.

- Prayer is how God's people remain connected to God's power.

What kind of prayer does Paul describe?

1. Continual Prayer
2. Comprehensive Prayer
3. Corporate Prayer

The church God always wanted is not merely focused inward. It is focused outward. Paul wants the courage to proclaim Jesus.

The mission still matters. People still need Jesus. The church is still called to bear witness.

Bottom Line: God has always wanted a people who look like Jesus.

- Paul leaves us on our knees...not with a strategy. Not with a program. Not with a technique. But with prayer.
- **The question is not whether we understand the letter. The question is whether we will become the people it describes.**

WHY NOT US?

Contact Elder for July - Tim Olinger

Deacons/Ministry Leaders for July—Ben Macklin/Brandon Dixon

Please see Front Page for SUNDAY'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

July Calendar...

15- Summer Series begins at 6:30 - (See page 6 for complete list)
REAL - Real life, Real People, Real Stories of Faith
15 - Blood Drive
28 - Encourag(HER) Ladies Night Out - Christmas in July - see page 5

Beltline Youth Ministry News . . .

See Page 7 for Summer Youth Events

Please also check your "Group Me" and the Youth Group Web page at www.beltlineyouthgroup.com for information and other news.

News & Notes . . .

WORSHIPPING WITH US:

Mr. Connie Mason (700 Cedar LK RD SW; Apt. 224; Decatur, AL-35603)

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

Gayron Hodges and Family in the death of his sister, Sybil Reeves from Indianapolis, IN. She passed away on Tuesday.



GIVE LIFE. GIVE BLOOD.

Beltline Church of Christ Blood Drive

Wednesday, July 15 | 3 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Come to the Service Center prior to going to a bus

Donors receive a commemorative "250 years" t-shirt and a coupon for a free Whitt's barbecue sandwich.

LIFESOUTH
Community Blood Centers

T-shirt for all
blood donors!



colors may vary while supplies last



Make your appointment by QR Code or E-Mail
Caitlin Cowart at cbcawart@gmail.com

“We Care For You” List Sick . . .

Members & Regular Attenders . . .

Hattie Hampton is back at USA Healthcare, Room 102. (3006 Sumac Rd. SW; Decatur, AL-35603)

Linda McAnally is now at home. (1910 Carpenter Dr. SW; Decatur, AL-35603)

Continue to remember . . .

Tony Anderson (12188 Spring Road, Tanner, AL—35671); **Carol Chew** (1902 Dresden Dr. SW; Decatur, AL-35603); **A. C. Connor** has started treatments. (1422 Vestavia Dr SW—35603); **Max Dashner** (4305 Windy Hill Road; Decatur, AL-35603); **Bob Deal** (4425 Dogwood Dr., SW—35603); **Rick Earwood** has a recurrence of cancer and has begun chemo. (4380 Co. Rd. 1719; Holly Pond, AL-35083); **Freda Fuller** (607 Cherokee LN. NW; Hartselle, AL-35640); **Mary Fuller** (1815 Hermitage Ave., SW; Decatur, AL-35603) **Bobbie Glenn** (210 Paine Avenue, Moulton—35650); **Jerre & Shirley Glover** (1809 Pin Oak Cr., SW—35603); **Hattie Hampton** (3006 Sumac Rd., SW; Decatur, AL-35603); **Steve Harris** (3720 S. Woodtrail Road SW; Decatur, AL-35603); **Bob Honea** (2204 Inverness Lane, SW; Decatur, AL-35603); **Donnie Lane** (2920 Whiteford Ln., SW—35603); **Sherry Mahaffey** (2106 11th St., SE—35601); **Tricia Mitchell** (2008 Murphree SE; Decatur, AL-35601); **Jim Olinger** (2016 Lancaster Ave., SW—35603); **Jerry Parker** (3201 Vicksburg Dr., SW—35603); **Tim Ready** has been diagnosed with cancer. (24311 CR 46; Trinity, AL-35673); **Phyllis Rommens** (1925 S. Brownstone Ct SW; Decatur, AL-35603); **Keith Spivey** (1904 Manchester Ave., SW—35603); **Danny Truitt** (1427 Vernon St., SW—35601)

Family Members & Friends . . .

Ernestine Williams, wife of Larry Williams is recovering from Open Heart Surgery. (1706 Vinca St. SW; Decatur, AL-35601)

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

Monica Wright (Send cards c/o Karen Greene, 1370 Co. Rd. 9, Louisville, AL—36048)

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, is undergoing treatment for a brain tumor. (2324 Springdale Rd., SE—35601)

Continue to remember . . .

Georgia Hames (1814 Eastmeade, SE—35601); **Steve Aponte**, father of Rachel (home address: 818 12th Street, West Babylon, NY—11734;

Phillip Hines has been diagnosed with Colon Cancer and will begin chemo treatments. (809 Weinman St.; Hartselle, AL-35640); **Gary Stewart**, brother of Linda Wallace. (624 Market ST; Scottsboro, AL-35768)

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)

Randy Chew (1902 Dresden Dr. SW; Decatur, AL-35603)

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)

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

Dot Watson (Westminster Assisted Living)

Rosemary Wright (2403 Hideaway Place, SW—35603)

GREETERS**July 12, 2026****Lobby Entrance**

Don/Beverly Hull

Beth Walker/Denise Byrd

GREETERS**July 19, 2026****Lobby Entrance**

Casey/Karen Pirtle

David/Tessa Filyaw

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**July 12, 2026****Infant Nursery 205**

No Attendants

Cradle Roll 204

Jessica Peebles

Emily Roach

Toddler - 207

Molly Dutton

April Gwin

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**July 19, 2026****Infant Nursery 205**

No Attendants

Cradle Roll 204

Laura Pritchard

Beth Walker

Toddler - 207

Jessica McMurry

Debra Robinson

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 - 6:30 p.m.

Wifi: Beltline Guest Portal**Password: beltline****2159 Beltline Road, S.W.—Decatur, Alabama 35601**E-mail: office@beltlinechurchofchrist.org Phone: (256) 353-1876Website: www.beltlinechurchofchrist.org Fax: (256) 353-7892**REFLECTIONS for 2026****Our Attendance for 7/5/2026**

Bible Study (E & H) 388

Worship (English)..... 629

(Hispanic)..... 62

Worship Total 691

Evening Worship N/A

Wednesday Evening (7/1/2026) 228

Our Growth

Baptisms

English/Hispanic.....9/8

WBS/Cuba.....9/

Requested Prayers-English 22

Now Worshipping with Us

English/Hispanic 25/4

Our Giving Last Week

Contribution..... \$42,673.16 Average.....\$45,453.34

Budget.....\$43,728.00

ONLINE GIVINGYou 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.** Contactinformation Phone : 256-476-4328; E-mail: angiespeegle@gmail.com**WORLD
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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 . . .****EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE at FLINT CHURCH OF CHRIST**
begins at 7:45**Midway Church of Christ Summer Series** on Wednesday nights at 7:00
(Information and Speakers on the bulletin board)***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.

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 Staffed)**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

Room 402

Abundant Life—Room 408**Seekers**—Fireside Room**Cornerstone**—Rooms 317/318**S.A.L.T.**—Room 323**Newcomers**—Room**WBS**—Rooms 113/114**Spanish Speaking**—Rooms 319/320***Wednesday Nights . . .*****Nurseries and Two Year Old thru Faith Boulevard****Classes**—same as Sunday Morning**Middle School/High School**—Rooms 502-508**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:

July 16

Reed Burleson
Bonnie Ledlow

July 17

Leah Favors
Matthew Letson

July 18

Brendan Huismann

July 19

Lily Anna Dutton
Joy Honea

July 20

Michael Buchanan
Lamonte Byrd
Jon Canada
Adley Hastings
Hayden Page

July 22

Phoenix Ayers

July 23

Jenna Barrett
Vivienne Elliott

News & Notes, Cont'd:

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.

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.



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A SUMMER SERIES THAT EXPLORES
WHAT IT MEANS TO LIVE A *REAL* FAITH



GOD'S WORD
APPLIED



REAL QUESTIONS
REAL ANSWERS



FAITH THAT
MAKES A DIFFERENCE



SUMMER 2026

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 PM



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ALL ARE WELCOME — BRING A FRIEND AND JOIN US!

MAY 6, 2026	GRACE REJECTED / GRACE RECEIVED
MAY 13, 2026	BREAKING FREE – FAITH AND ADDICTION
MAY 20, 2026	GROWING UP IN FAITH PART 1
MAY 27, 2026	DAVID WRIGHT
JUNE 3, 2026	GROWING UP IN FAITH PART 2
JUNE 10, 2026	OVERCOMING LOSS
JUNE 17, 2026	FAITH WHEN THE WHEELS COME OFF
JUNE 24, 2026	FAITH IN LOSS PART 1
JULY 1, 2026	FAITHFUL PERSEVERANCE
JULY 8, 2026	FAITH IN THE STORM OF SICKNESS
JULY 15, 2026	FAITH FROM DIFFICULT BEGINNINGS
JULY 22, 2026	FAITH IN LOSS PART 2
JULY 29, 2026	CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

*"They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony..."*

REVELATION 12:11

BYG SUMMER BUCKET LIST

- ☐ Maywood (May 24th-30th)
- ☐ 6th-12th Trash Panda Game (June 5th @6:30)
- ☐ VBS Prep Days (See calendar)
- ☐ Volunteer with VBS (June 15th-17th)
- ☐ HS Braves/Six Flags Trip (Jun 19th-20th)
- ☐ MS Night Out (June 25th)
- ☐ Houston Prep Days (See calendar)
- ☐ Impact Houston (July 4th-10th)
- ☐ Legacy @Faulkner (July 16th-19th)
- ☐ Rafting Trip (July 25th)
- ☐ Lectureship Prep Days (see calendar)
- ☐ Volunteer with Hispanic Lectureship (Aug 1)

- ☐ See Calendar for all of the following:
- ☐ Monday AM Hikes
- ☐ Open Gyms on Tues & Thurs Nights
- ☐ Sunday PM Devos
- ☐ Work Camp Days (see calendar)
- ☐ Late PM Shenanigans & trips to Waffle House