

Invitation

Welcome everyone. We pray you will be strengthened by your visit with the Brighton Church of Christ. You are not just our guest, but you are welcome and wanted right here. Join our family of imperfect people perfected in by the blood of Jesus. Restrooms are located across the foyer near the front of the auditorium on the upper floor. If you need assistance in any way, ask any member for help.

Mission

The Brighton Church of Christ is a spiritual family with a focus on going to heaven. We are determined to honor God, to strictly follow the teachings of the New Testament, and effectively make that teaching available to the city of Brighton and the surrounding areas.

Leadership

Elders

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Deacons

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Minister

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| Sam Dilbeck | 903-229-8415 |
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Sunday Schedule

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| Welcome | Ron Jensen |
| Song Leader | Ron Jensen |
| Opening Prayer..... | Mark Thacker |
| Lord's Supper Leader..... | Kevin Dunham |
| Lesson | Sam Dilbeck |
| Closing Prayer & Dismissal..... | KD Derbigny |

Wednesday Evening Schedule

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| Class | Sam Dilbeck |
| Closing Prayer..... | Sam Dilbeck |

Service Times

Sundays: Worship 10:30 am

Wednesdays: Ladies Class 10:00 am, Bible Study 6:30 pm



March 21, 2021

Faith and a '66 Chevy Sam Dilbeck

It was a light blue 1966 Chevrolet Belair. He bought it in good condition. In his mind it was impeccable. His vision included a renovated racer that turned heads and deafened ears. The only hindrance was his lack of knowledge about cars. Not only could he not fix it up, but he also couldn't keep it up. He used cheap gas, drove recklessly, and never changed the oil.

One day, he called for help—he was stranded. The gaping hole in the car's hood betrayed a severe engine malfunction and his lack of care and upkeep for the car. However, a few preventative measures could have saved that car.

Auto manufacturers, honest mechanics, and people stuck on the roadside all agree that preventative car maintenance is not an option, but an obligation. By regularly checking fluids, tires, and joints, many break downs and costly repairs can be avoided.

Our faith is a lot like a car. Many of us take faith for granted, like it will always be here and always be ready for use. Yet, like a car, our faith will fail without preventative maintenance. Don't leave your faith unchecked.

We should check the battery. In a car, the battery is the electrical power source and needs to be checked for loose or corroded terminal connectors, and that it is fully charged. We receive our power through Christ (Phi. 4:13). Sometimes we have a weak connection to Christ because the terminals are corroded through disuse and lack of service. If we don't seek Jesus regularly, our faith's power will grow dim. Of course, if our power is low, we can recharge through prayer, meditation, and study. By spending time with Jesus, our faith renews.



We should check the joints. Grease helps preserve the working joints of cars, tractors, trucks, and even skillets by reducing friction. Grease also seals joints to keep dust and dirt out. When it comes to our faith, we need lubricant to preserve the joints between Christians. The church is made of joined Christians working together, supplying love—the joint saving lubricant (Eph. 4:16). Love reduces friction between Christians, and it helps keep the dirt of gossip out of the joints.

We should check the coolant. Engine coolant helps cool the engine while it is running. Sometimes Christians clash and the friction between them heats up. Forbearance is the coolant that allows us to tolerate irritants in others that otherwise would cause us to overheat (Eph. 4:2). Likewise, it also helps others bear our quirks and idiosyncrasies that might cause others to burn toward us. We must keep our forbearance at proper levels.

We should check the oil. Oil is the life blood of an engine. It keeps the internal mechanisms of the engine working properly. The blood of Christ is the Christian's oil. It keeps our life clean by scrubbing away the dirt, gunk, and grime of sin that builds up in our engine. By walking in the light, we keep the blood of Christ flowing freely in our spiritual veins (1 Jno. 1:7).

We should check the tires. The wheels on a car carry the load of the entire vehicle. If the tires are improperly inflated or are worn out, they could go flat or blow out, leaving the vehicle stranded. The tires of our faith are the motivation and desire to carry the gospel to a lost and dying world. If we let our motivation to evangelize go flat, we leave our faith stranded alone in a deserted and dying soul. God looks to us to take the gospel to others (Mark 16:15). Thus, we need to keep our tires properly motivated.

By performing regular maintenance on our faith, we can avoid costly break downs and engine blow ups that jeopardize our eternity. Why not give your faith a checkup today?

Announcements

Prayer List

Tony Lell's sister, Kathryn passed away in Las Vegas. She was widowed and had no children. Please pray for this family in this time of loss.

Continued Prayers

- Ernest Kite's son Terry- recovering from a (non-COVID) virus.
- Penny Anderson, Tim Parker's daughter- seizures
- Eleanor Jatko– recovery from a stroke
- Bill Woloridge, the Austin's friend—cancer
- Jane Hanavan-heart issues
- Dawn Lell-health problems
- KD's supervisor's wife, LaRae Siefert-chemo nerve damage
- Sherry Derbigny's Aunt Jackie– breast cancer
- Sam Sims– health problems
- Joe Martinez-prayers for recovery
- The work in India
- Our work here in Brighton as we try to reach our community through the difficulties of COVID-19

News and Notes

Ladies Bible Class

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

We started a study which takes an in depth look at the missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul. This week we are on Day 1 & 2 Lesson 2.



Please welcome our newest members:

Chris & Carol Welsby

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Directory

Have you checked your information in the new directory? If not please do so and let Ernest Kite know if corrections need to be made.



Bulletin information

The best way to get something in the bulletin is to send it to m.thacker@msn.com. Naomi will see other forms of communication but it works best to send it to the above email. Thank you.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| March 21 | KD Derbigny | Birthday |
| March 21 | James Learned | Birthday |
| March 21 | C. Wayne Manzanares | Birthday |