

## please PRAY for...

**Karen Williams** – fell last Sunday and went to hospital; now recuperating at home  
**Theresa Johnson** – (Dianne Ndem’s cousin) personal struggles  
**Celina Linville** – (daughter of a co-worker of Dorsey’s) 42 yrs. old; diabetic; losing eyesight  
**Mary Armstrong** – (Naomi Shield’s mother) congestive heart failure; recent accident  
**Mary Paxton** – (Naomi Shield’s niece) recent accident  
**Belinda Miller** – having pacemaker replaced Tuesday  
**Amanda O’Dell** – (student at Brookville H.S.) diagnosed with leukemia  
**Nick Noe** – (fiance of Dougan’s) doing much better after skull fracture; moved to rehab; family is now worried about his mental capacity getting back to where it should be; also pray for his fiance, Erin  
**Mike Greenwood** – started proton radiation; 20-minute treatment for 20 days; when radiation is complete, the plan is for a bone marrow transplant to be done  
**Linda Ning** – recent lung scans; upcoming tests  
**Karen** – (Linda Ning’s sister) stint in brain for blood clot  
**Glen Mansfeild** – (son of a visitor) 46 years old and has ALS  
**John Dafler** – (Jean Rayburg’s nephew) back pain  
**John Paxton** – (Naomi Shields’ nephew) complications from stomach surgery; now home  
**Dianne Ndem** – work and family struggles; spiritual growth  
**Kate Killion** – (Peggy Spear’s neice) high blood pressure  
**Mary Fay** – knee; pray for lifted spirits  
**Sean Oliver** – (Cheryl Dougan’s nephew) 32 years old; 2nd heart attack; doing better  
**John & Diana Wood** – keep in prayers  
**Tiffany Williams** – lots of swelling and pain in left leg  
**Sherry Allen** – pancreatitis  
**Karen Williams** – cellulitis  
**Della Gutwein** – multiple blood clots  
**Dennis Dunn** – (friend of the Hampton’s) Parkinson’s disease  
**Jenny Tucker** – (Krissy Truex’s sister) personal struggles  
**Sarah Oakes** – (Gail Oake’s mother) health  
**Daisy (Barty) Cornet** – released from hospital  
**The Gannons**– (friends of the Taylors) serious health problems; invited to attend Belmont  
**Molly & Morgan Hoopes** – now receiving treatment for addiction, currently drug-free  
**Naomi Shields** – general health; recent tests

## ministry contacts

### Elders

Gary Clasby 293-6290 (Home)  
Wayne Hampton 429-9454 (Home)  
672-2418 (Cell)

Please call an elder if you’d like to schedule a meeting.

### Deacons

Shane Bowen Outreach/Missions  
Bill Pittman Bldg. & Grounds

### Minister

Interim – Shane Bowen

## contact information

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### Secretary’s Office Hours

Monday and Tuesday – 9a.m. to 1p.m.

### WORSHIP TIMES

#### Sundays

Classes 9:30a.m.

Worship 10:30a.m.

P.M. Worship 6:00p.m.

#### Wednesdays

Classes for all ages – 6:30p.m.

### www.belmontchurch.org

Sunday sermons may be heard on our website.

Samantha Dougan is our Webmaster.

# Belmont church of Christ

A Family of Faith,  
Glorifying God  
by Reaching Out to Others,  
Sharing the Good News

**To Our Visitors:** Welcome! You are our honored guests! Please fill out a visitor’s card located on the back of the pews and place it in the collection plate.

Before the worship service, please check your cellular phones and other electronic devices to ensure they will not disrupt our time of worship.

### Why Even Try?

I have played and watched a lot of tennis over the years. I’m not as good as I once was, but I’m still a decent player. Recently I was playing tennis with my father, who is a very good tennis player. While we were playing, I hit an approach shot and ran up to the net to try and win the point. My father hit a lob shot that went over my head and landed just inside the baseline. I watched the ball go over my head and started to run it down, but after a couple of steps, I stopped. I thought to myself, “That shot is too good. I can’t reach it, so why even try?”

Later that evening, I was watching Roger Federer playing in the US Open tennis tournament. During the final game of his match, he charged up to the net to return a short ball. His opponent hit an excellent lob shot over his head just inside the baseline. Federer ran after the ball and, at the last second, hit the ball the only way that he could, between his legs! Not only did he hit the ball, he hit it so well that he won the point! After the match he said, “It was the greatest shot I ever hit in my life.”

Sometimes in life we can get beaten down by our opponent and feel that everything is against us. We want to give up and stop even trying. If you give up, then your failure is guaranteed. But if you keep trying even in the face of great odds, then you never know when you might hit the “shot of a lifetime.”

– Shane Bowen

### Today’s Worship

77 – Glorify Thy Name

*Welcome/Opening Prayer*

97 – I Sing Praise (1)

163 – His Name is Wonderful  
*Prayer*

379 – If That Isn’t Love (1)

*Lord’s Supper*

290 – Shine Jesus Shine

*Offering*

*Scripture Reading –*  
Matthew 22:36-40 (NIV)

448 – The Greatest Commands

*Sermon – “Highway to the  
Danger Zone”  
Shane Bowen*

945 – Kneel at the Cross

622 – Ring Out the Message (1,2)

*Closing Prayer*



September 20, 2009

## family news & announcements

**Helping Those in Need** – Please continue to fill the boxes with items for the homeless and others in need. We are continuing to collect winter clothing and backpacks in addition to the other items listed on the bulletin board. Thank you for helping others.

**Young Adult and Singles Class** – We recently started a new class for our young adults, single or married from ages 18-45. Our aim in this study is to have everyone not only improve Bible knowledge and concepts but to work on Christian family applications. We will do this by study, open discussion, and sharing personal examples. This opportunity will help our young adult group to get to know each other better and build some strong relationships. We would like to encourage everyone in this age group to make a special effort to attend. Come and be with us next week if you missed this week.

**Ladies Retreat** – Saturday, October 24th, 9am through lunch at Mid-County Church of Christ, 1580 N. Dorset Lytle Road, Troy, Ohio. The theme is “Apples of Gold; The Awesome Power of the Tongue,” and the guest speaker is well-known author Jane McWhorter. We are praying that this morning of retreat will bless all women and girls Jr. High age and up. Please plan to attend and bring a friend!

**Focus Group** – has been formed to identify needs of the congregation and recommend ways to fulfill those needs. The members of the Focus Group are Joe Hampton, Ted Taylor, Fergus Lloyd, and Samantha Dougan. At their first meeting, they discussed youth activities, community outreach, classroom materials, sermon structure, annual events, church purpose/goals, building appearance, connection with visitors and holding a teacher’s meeting to discuss priorities. If anyone is interested in giving specific ideas about these topics, send any of the members your ideas, and they will discuss in detail at the next meeting.  
Emails: Ted – [tbttaylor@ameritech.net](mailto:tbttaylor@ameritech.net), Fergus – [ferguslloyd@att.net](mailto:ferguslloyd@att.net), Joe – [scubajoe9200@yahoo.com](mailto:scubajoe9200@yahoo.com), or Sam – [angelfish723@yahoo.com](mailto:angelfish723@yahoo.com)

**Fay Young** – Fay’s daughter Brenda said he is doing O.K. in his new surroundings. He is confused but they are hoping that is temporary and will go away after this transition period. He is in a nice ranch house run by a nurse and her helpers. It has bedrooms, kitchen, dining room and 2 large sitting areas with a large TV. It is beautifully decorated and is very clean. She has 5 to 6 residents at a time. Fay has his own bedroom with his own furniture and decorations. They are hoping he will become more comfortable over time. They ask for your prayers. His address is Providence Assisted Living, 12775 Providence Rd., Alpharetta GA 30009, (770) 410-9447

**Mike Greenwood’s Temporary Address** – Mail can be sent to him all the way through September 30th to the following address: Michael Greenwood, c/o Crowne Plaza, 8686 Kirby Drive, Houston, TX 77054. Any mail after September 30th should go to his home in Huber Heights. Home is: 8760 Deer Plains Way, Huber Heights, OH 45424. Mike’s new e-mail address is [michael.g.ohio@gmail.com](mailto:michael.g.ohio@gmail.com).

## Belmont Youth Calendar

Schedules and other information are posted on the youth activity board.

### class schedule

#### Sunday Morning

**Adult** (main auditorium) – Howard Carson

#### Youth (downstairs)

Kristy Bowen – Toddlers

Nancy Clasby – K – Grade 2

Margie Hubbs – Grades 3 & 4

Ron Cooper – Grades 5 – 8

#### Sunday Evening

– Al Stroop

#### Wednesday Evening

**Classes for Kids** – (Carpenter’s Kids Chapel)

– Wayne Hampton

#### Study of Ephesians

– Shane Bowen

### birthdays & anniversaries this week

September 14 – Margaret Isom

September 15 – Amanda Nichols

September 15 – @ Bill & Betty Pittman

September 16 – Mike Williamson

September 17 – Tiera Hoban

September 20 – Myra Harmeling



**Tim and Belinda Miller’s Address** – Their zip code has changed again. New address is 42491 Good Vibrations Road, Maricopa AZ, 85138.

**Care Package Kick-Off** – It’s that time again. We are going to be preparing packages for the troops. You may have noticed the poster in the lobby with a list of items needed. There is also a copy of the list you may take with you. We will be accepting donations until Sunday, October 18th, before evening services. That is when we will be packaging the items and they will be mailed that Monday morning. If you have an address for someone in the service (any branch) that you would like us to send a care package to, or if you have any questions, please contact Jen Hoban at 937-245-9914. We have invited other youth groups and congregations to join us in this event. Monetary donations to help with postage should be given to one of the elders.

## please PRAY for...

**Angela Scribber** – (Lew Surber’s co-worker) young mother with breast cancer, undergoing radiation

**Jennifer Samler** – (former member) expecting 2nd child, a girl, possibly premature

**Dianne Harrington** – (friend of Cheryl Dougan) family problems

**Bill Lister** – doing better, now home

**Jerline Stafford** – (Sharon’s mother-in-law) blood work done for possible cyst in one of her glands

**Rebekah Carson** – (Howard’s niece) back in school, although only at about 20% of full health; also keep her parents Keith and Julie in your prayers

**Maggie Hammond** – (friend of Cheryl Dougan’s) chemo, then double mastectomy and radiation in September

**Traveling** – Dave & Celia Bond, Ron & Brenda Cooper

**Seeking Employment** – Rebecca Dye, Gary Thurow, Ray Baker, Ann Bateman, Kenny Yancey, Marc Dougan

**Please continue to remember...** Clyde Johnson, Bill & Eveyln McClain, Edna Smith, Mayra Waymire, Deanne Lawrence, Mark Crist, Mike Spoerl, Helen Normhold, Don Sottoway, Lou Copeland, Edith Lloyd, Richard King, Frances Stroop, Norman Parker, Betty Kincaid, Glenda Thomas (Ursula’s daughter-in-law), Betty Pittman, Fay Young

**Our Shut-ins** – Mattie England, John Miller, Ursula Thomas

### September 20

**Carpenter’s Kids** – Kristy Bowen

**Toddler Room** – Margie Hubbs

### September 27

**Carpenter’s Kids**

**Toddler Room** – Linda Ning

### September Greeters

Cheryl Dougan

### September Communion Trays

Danielle Hoopes