

The Encouragement Group meets on Thursday's at 9 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Come serve with us as we reach into our community!

**Sunday Classes 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:10 a.m.
Wed. Services 6:00 p.m.**

Visitors, please take a card from the back of the pew, fill it out, and put it in the offering tray. We are glad you're here and want you to know that you're welcome in the family of Christ that meets here!

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Family News

- Tim Vest's back surgery went well. He is now at Pioneer for physical therapy and would love to have visitors stop in and say hi. He's in room #313.
- The Encouragement Group will resume meeting on Thursday, January 8th
- There will be a meeting to discuss VBS on Sunday, January 18 @ 5pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Lavonia Roland is home sick. Please keep her in prayer as she recovers.
- Evan Ballard's father, Thomas Ballard, is still in the hospital with fluid on his chest. Please keep Thomas, Evan and their family in prayer.

January 4, 2026

Melbourne Church of Christ

"A family of believers seeking to grow spiritually while sharing Jesus and serving others."

Fear God

by Evan Butler

"I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more they can do. But I will warn you who to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him!" (Luke 12:4-5)

In Jesus' parables we learn of those who did not give God the proper place in their lives. We are reminded of the rich fool in Luke 12. His life consisted of what he wanted to do for himself. He had been successful in his farming ventures. He was out of room to store his crops.

He developed a plan based on his thought that his life consisted of the abundance of his possessions (Luke 12:15). He did not give God the respect due Him and was told, "Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" (Luke 12:20).

Our pursuits should lead us to be rich toward God and His kingdom. To miss this point is to miss a life well lived in the sight and presence of God.

Proper recognition of God should bring about humility like the tax collector in Luke 18, who prayed to God as one in need of God's mercy. We need God's mercy, grace, and kindness. We will draw closer to the goal of seeing ourselves as God would have us to when we fear Him.

"The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil" (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14).

Commitment and Application: Today I will look to develop riches toward eternal things.

Opening Prayer.....Alan Love
Communion Reading.....Shelby Qualls
Closing Prayer.....Daylee Brightwell



JANUARY

Kelley Don Webb
Danny Brightwell

Randy Haney
Brad Sipe

FEBRUARY

Sanders Lee Wyatt
Brent Qualls

Shelby Qualls
Robert Hartgrave

Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 9:15 am

2-4 Yr Old	Sandra in Toddler Classroom #1
K-3rd	Jasmine in Classroom #5 & #6
4th-8th	Sally in Classroom #3
9th-College	Ryan in Classroom #7
Adults	David in the Auditorium

Children's Bible Class During the Sermon for 2026

Month	2-5 Yr Old Rm #2	6-8 Yr Old Rm #5&6
January	Lexi & Shayann	Betty
February	Diana	Tamra
March	Rory & Zori	Jamie
April	Zori & Harris	Natalie
May	Brittany	Valerie
June	Brittany	Christie
July	Brittany	Lacey
August	Anita	Trena
September	Lacey	
October		Abby
November		
December	Zori & Harris	Diana

Matthew 13:33, "He spoke another parable to them, "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three pecks of flour until it was all leavened."

Prayer List

Military: Derek & Allison Love **Officers:** Steve & Sherry Davidson, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson

Nursing Home: Al Gillihan, Debbie Hoskinds, Imodean Webb, Sue Campbell, Barbara Watson, Bill Wiseman, Shirley Hill, Imogene James

Boyde Martin	Wilma Cooper	Phyllis Gilbreath	Dorothy Teague
Ruby Patillo	Joe Guiltner	Cornelia Summers	Tim Smith
Joanna Smith	Wayne Crosby	Brooke Partin	Joe Anne Hendrix
Sanya Austin	Charlotte Cooper	John Young	Regenia Gillihan
			Regina Master

January Birthdays

Eula Faye Fulbright 1 st	Shayann Caraway 2 nd	Emma Caraway 3 rd
Anthony Weston 7 th	Emmitt Weston 8 th	Julie Teague 10 th
Kimberly Hoskinds 12 th	Harper Cotter 13 th	Melissa Lamb 14 th
Kiley Carter 14 th	Arlene Davidson 15 th	Lance Cannon 17 th
Esme' Marie Love 18 th	Charles Everett 19 th	Ken Bone 20 th
Wayne Crosby 20 th	Rusty Treat 20 th	Hannah Lamb 22 nd
David Hoskinds 23 rd	Sharon Watson 23 rd	Rhetha Lamb 24 th
Jeanette Everett 24 th	Trey Lamb 25 th	Daylee Brightwell 25 th
Zori Brightwell 25 th	Joe Paul Smith 28 th	Adam Hoskinds 31 st
		Caleb Gross 31 st

January Anniversaries

John & Marilyn Smith 18th & Jack & Lisa Hendrix 24th

Dates to Remember

Ladies Bible Study will resume in the spring.
Men meet the 3rd Sunday of every month for breakfast @ 8 a.m.
Potluck every 5th Sunday after services, please bring a dish.

Manna House Items Needed Year Round

Canned Tuna and Canned Chicken
Items can be placed in the foyer in the green and blue plastic tubs.

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