

**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 was released from Pioneer and is now recovering from back surgery at home.
- There will be a meeting to discuss VBS on Sunday, January 18 @ 5pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- Evan Ballard's father, Thomas Ballard, passed away. Please keep Evan, Lexi, and all the Ballard family in prayer.
- Ken Bone's surgery went well, and he is now at home recovering.
- Payton Oliver, Chris & Shyanne's daughter, had a brain tumor removed. She is currently in Children's Hospital. Please keep the Oliver family in prayer.
- Tamra Brightwell's surgery went well and she is recovering from home.

January 11, 2026

## Melbourne Church of Christ

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

### **Becoming a Man or a Woman after God's Own Heart**

by Chuck Swindoll

**When God scans the earth for potential leaders, He is not on a search for angels in the flesh. He is certainly not looking for perfect people, since there are none. He is searching for men and women like you and me, mere people made up of flesh. But He is also looking for people who share the same qualities He found in David. God is looking for men and women "after His own heart" (1 Samuel 13:14). What does it mean to be a person after God's own heart? It means your life is in harmony with the Lord. What is important to Him is important to you. What burdens Him burdens you. When He says, "Go to the right," you go to the right. When He says, "Stop that in your life," you stop it. When He says, "This is wrong and I want you to change," you come to terms with it because you have a heart for God. That's bottom-line, biblical Christianity. When you are a man or woman after God's heart, you are deeply sensitive to spiritual things. 2 Chronicles 16:9, "For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is *completely* His."**

**What is God looking for? Men and women whose hearts are His *completely*. That means no locked closets. Nothing swept under rugs. That means when you do wrong, you admit it and come to terms with it. You long to please Him in your actions. You care deeply about the motivations behind your actions. God is not looking for magnificent specimens of humanity. He's looking for deeply spiritual, genuinely humble, honest-to-the-core servants who have integrity.**

**Synonyms for "integrity" are "complete, whole, innocent, having the simplicity of life, wholesome, sound, unimpaired." It's what you are when nobody's looking. We live in a world that says, "If you just make a good impression, that's all that matters." But you will never be a man or woman of God if that's your philosophy. Never. You can't fake it with the Almighty. He's not impressed with externals. He always focuses on inward qualities, like the character of the heart, those things that take time and discipline to cultivate.**

Opening Prayer.....Zach Harber  
 Communion Reading.....Dalton Grigg  
 Closing Prayer.....Danny Runion



**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**

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

**Children's Bible Class During the Sermon for 2026**

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

**Psalm 103:12-13, "As far as the east is from the west, He removed our sin from us. Just as a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him."**

**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
Sanyia Austin	Charlotte Cooper	John Young	Regenia Gillihan Regina Master

**January Birthdays**

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

**January Anniversaries**

John & Marilyn Smith 18<sup>th</sup> & Jack & Lisa Hendrix 24<sup>th</sup>

**Dates to Remember**

Ladies Bible Study will resume in the spring.  
 Men meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month for breakfast @ 8 a.m.  
 Potluck every 5<sup>th</sup> 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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