

April 26, 2026

# Melbourne Church of Christ

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

## Glory For God Alone

by Derrick Coble

**In everything the child of God does, God's glory is always first and last on his mind. Paul said, "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31).**

**According to Vines, "glory" (Gr. doxa) "primarily signifies an opinion, estimate, and hence, the honour resulting from a good opinion." To this thought Thayer adds, "magnificence, excellence, preeminence, and dignity."**

**This involves recognizing God as God and treating him as God (cf. Rom. 1:21) because God's glory is more important than man's glory.**

**This is why the Savior said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Mat. 5:16).**

**When sinners analyze the motives of Christians what do they see? Hopefully, they will see that each one truly desires to direct others to God and His Son. It is not worldly favor that will advance the love of God, but only the cross (1 Cor. 1:18).**

**Think about the attitude of the apostle Paul and how desperately it is needed amongst Christians today: "But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world" (Gal. 6:14).**

**Christians are called "to glory and virtue" (2 Pet. 1:3). That glory is not personal, but the Lord's own glory. It is manifested by virtue or moral goodness—lives that reflect humility, obedience, and praise to God by leading others to glorify Him out of love (1 Pet. 4:11; Eph. 3:21).**

**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

Sr. Citizens call Anthony Weston for mowing or home repairs (870) 919-3236

- Sr. Graduation party on Wednesday, April 29 @ 6pm. Meal provided.
- Sr. Graduation on Sunday, May 3 @ 2pm in the gym.
- Adam & Jaclyn Cooper's baby shower is Sunday, May 17 @ 2pm in F.H.
- We are building an online directory. Please text Ryan a family photo that has a pixel count of at least 1000 x 2000. If you need a picture taken, get in touch with Ryan to set up a time to meet him at the building.
- Nick Servon was baptized into Christ on Monday. Please welcome Nick, his wife Jessica, and their children Blake, Lilly, & Easton to our church family!
- Raye Smith benefit on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Izard County Fairgrounds. Raye is the 4-year-old daughter of Garrett and Kayla Smith. Raye has been battling Retinoblastoma, and recently had her eye removed. This benefit can help to ease the burden of the many trips they have made and will continue to make to St. Jude in Memphis.

Opening Prayer.....Alan Love  
 Communion Reading.....David Brightwell  
 Closing Prayer.....Joe Cooper



**APRIL**

Anthony Weston                      David Brightwell  
 Danny Runion                         Tyler Webb

**MAY**

Joe Cooper                              Dalton Grigg  
 Cash Fowler                             Rusty Treat

**Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 9:15 am**

2-4 Yr Old	Sandra in Toddler Classroom #1
K-3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jasmine in Classroom #5 & #6
4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	Sally in Classroom #3
9 <sup>th</sup> -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 & Charlotte	Valerie
June	Brittany & Charlotte	Christie
July	Brittany & Charlotte	Lacey
August	Anita	Trena
September	Lacey	Shayann
October	Carly & Tiffany	Abby
November	Holly & Missy	Natalie
December	Zori & Harris	Diana

**1 Thessalonians 4:3-7, "For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you know how to possess his own vessel (body) in sanctification and honor, not in lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God. For God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification."**

**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, Wilma Cooper

Boyde Martin	Deena Shipley	Phyllis Gilbreath	Dorothy Teague
Ruby Patillo	Joe Guiltner	Cornelia Summers	Tim Smith
Asher Vickery	Wayne Crosby	Brooke Partin	Sanyia Austin
Charlotte Cooper	John Young	Regenia Gillihan	Regina Master

**April Birthdays**

Betty Brightwell 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bill Younger 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jack Harber 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Tyler Kelly 4 <sup>th</sup>	Donna Hill 7 <sup>th</sup>	Nicole Barnes 8 <sup>th</sup>
Derek Love 8 <sup>th</sup>	Tim Grisham 8 <sup>th</sup>	Imodean Webb 9 <sup>th</sup>
Lacey Weston 9 <sup>th</sup>	Eli Parnell 10 <sup>th</sup>	Carly Webb 11 <sup>th</sup>
Cleve Weaver 12 <sup>th</sup>	Melissa Morrison 14 <sup>th</sup>	Nancy Richardson 15 <sup>th</sup>
Jack Hendrix 15 <sup>th</sup>	Rhett Morrison 17 <sup>th</sup>	Torrey Bishop 18 <sup>th</sup>
Jasmine Hartgraves 21 <sup>st</sup>	Francis Gillihan 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Clint Everett 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Doug Sipe 25 <sup>th</sup>	Michelle Smith 26 <sup>th</sup>	Kenya Wyatt 29 <sup>th</sup>

**April Anniversaries**

**Dates to Remember**

Ladies meet on Monday's at 6p.m.  
 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.

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