

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

Three Cheers for Jesus

by Edd Sterchi

I think we don't celebrate Jesus enough in our memories, words, and lives. Jesus came to make our lives blessed, joyous, and fruitful (cf. John 10:10). There are several instances in the Scriptures where Jesus said "Be of good cheer." So let's look at three cheers from Jesus and give three cheers for Jesus!

The Cheer of Pardon – In the city of Capernaum, Jesus healed a paralytic physically. Then, Jesus healed him spiritually saying, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you" (Matt. 9:2). How happy he must have been. How happy are you that Jesus has cleansed your sins? Do you thank Him for it, praise Him for it, love Him for it? Without Him, we are lost in our sins. With Him, we are forgiven, pardoned, cleansed. Be of good cheer, our sins are forgiven! Hip, Hip, Hooray for Jesus!

The Cheer of Comfort – Once, the apostles were in a boat on the Sea of Galilee trying to cross to the other side. But the waves were rough, and the wind was contrary. All of the sudden, they saw a figure walking on the water toward them. They cried out in fear. But it was Jesus, and He said to them, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid" (Matt. 14:27). How comforting it must have been for them, knowing that Jesus was now near. Does the knowledge of Jesus in your life bring you comfort? We should live in peace knowing that we can go to Him with any trouble, trial, or turmoil of life, and He will give us aid. Be of good cheer, Jesus will never leave us. Hip, Hip, Hooray for Jesus!

The Cheer of Victory – Shortly before His trial and crucifixion, Jesus had gathered His disciples together and was giving them instructions. Part of His words to them were, "In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Jesus then went on to overcome death, and in doing so gives us the victory, as well. How ought we to live knowing that death will not have its power over us? We ought to live our lives in confidence, in hope, in praise, in joy! We ought to serve Him with gladness, worship Him exuberantly, and tell the world how He saves. Be of good cheer, Jesus has given eternal life. Hip. Hip. Hooray for Jesus!

Dates to Remember

April 7th **Potluck after morning services**

April 21st **Men's Breakfast @ 8am**

April 22nd **Ladies Night Out @ 6pm, bring item for Manna House**

CHILDREN'S
HOMES, INC.



Sunday Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Sunday Bible Class 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Nursing Home 3rd Sunday 2 p.m.

Please bring money or items for the Children's Homes

Advil Tylenol Mucinex Mucus Relief Band-aids Sensodyne
Clorox Wipes Chicken Broth Kosher Salt Rotel Velveeta
Canned Chicken Cereal Taco Seasoning Cooking Oil

Elders

Danny Brightwell
291-3439

Shelby Qualls
346-5255

Deacons

Bryan Phillips 373-0546
David Brightwell 291-1122

Alan Love 243-4608
Frank Fowler 291-1784

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Family News

- Melbourne CoC Ladies Day. April 13 with Kari Martin. 9am registration. 9:30am – 12pm. Topic: "THE LORD IS MY CO PILOT"
- Wedding Shower for Mary Hannah Sipe & Mills Bryant on April 28 @ 2pm in the Fellowship Hall. Registered at Home Place, Wal-Mart, Amazon.com and Bed, Bath & Beyond.
- Dan Clark has been moved to room F702 @ UAMS

* Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
SONG LEADER	David Brightwell	David Brightwell
OPENING PRAYER	Joe Ingram	Frank Fowler
CLOSING PRAYER	Kelly Webb	Alan Love



Ted Wammack
Joe Cooper

Joe Ingram
Brad Sipe

Randy Haney
Shelby Qualls

DOOR GREETERS

APRIL 7TH **FRANK, ELLIE, WYATT & CASH FOWLER**

APRIL 14TH **KELLY & TIFFANY WEBB**

CHILDREN'S GATHERING TEACHERS FOR APRIL

BETTY BRIGHTWELL, NATALIE BRIGHTWELL & RAMONA QUALLS

Nursery

April 7th **Sarena Young**

April 14th **Tamra Brightwell**

Communion for Shut-In

April 7th **Bryan Phillips**

April 14th **Frank Fowler**

Power In Prayer Project

Lord, fill me with joy in my salvation and give me a deep desire to share Jesus Christ with those that don't know Him. May You touch my life in a way that I will not be able to keep that experience to myself but rather, to share Your amazing story of love, grace, mercy and salvation to a dying world.

Prayer List

Military: Derek Love, Tyler Talkington, A.J. Talkington

Officers: Steven & Sherry Davidson, Josh Morehead, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe

Health: Dot Sanders	Joyce Newbrey	Cal Gillihan	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Larry Cooley	Emma Jean Cooper	Wilma Cooper
Wayne Crosby	Tracy Thomas	Brooke Pritchard	Ruth Lewis
James Nicholson	Bill Roland	Hayden Phillips	Donny Smith
Joanne Weston	Bill Wiseman	Debbie Nicholson	Helen King
Eutha Vest	Tommy Washington	Jim Fowler	Dale Smith
Andrew Pearson	Ivy Jo Slade	Andrew Weaver	Jeff Young
Sue Washington	Johnny Guthrie	Wanda Mcconnaughay	

Nursing Home: Lucille Linn, Jerri Haney, Audrey Eddings, Mary Alice Short, Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud, Jimmy Gillihan

April Birthdays

Betty Brightwell 2 nd	Tyler Kelly 4 th	Donna Hill 7 th
Derek Love 8 th	Imodean Webb 9 th	Cleve Weaver 12 th
Melissa Morrison 14 th	Nancy Richardson 15 th	Rhett Morrison 17 th
Son Lamb 18 th	Francis Gillihan 22 nd	Doug Sipe 25 th
Michelle Smith 26 th	Kenya Wyatt 29 th	Dana Ingram 30 th

Anniversaries

Joe & Dana Ingram 17th

On April 3, 1860, the Pony Express service began as the first rider departed St. Joseph, Missouri. For \$5 an ounce, letters were delivered on horseback 2,000 miles to California within ten days. The service ended less than two years later upon the completion of the overland telegraph, which brought quicker and more efficient communication. Though methods change, the need for communication remains. For Christians, Jesus' command to "go" is still in effect. What method of communication are you using?