#### **Dates to Remember**

Ladies will meet 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in June @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food

Sermons and bulletins available @ Melbournechurchofchrist.com

Sunday Bible Class 9:15 a.m. **Sunday Worship** 10:15 a.m. Wednesday Evening 6:00 p.m.





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#### **Elders**

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- Larry Young will be serving at camp Rockefeller during the month of June and will be back in July. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

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

#### Behold, the Lamb of God

by Jay Don Poindexter

Sin has a way of demanding our attention. Whether it is a sin someone has committed against us or our falling prey to our own evil desires (James 1:14), sin has a way of becoming our focus. All sin is against God and carries with it the spiritual death sentence demanded by God's holiness (Rom 6:23b; 7:11-12). This makes sin in our lives and in our world a truly important fact to be understood. We must let God's word point out sin so that we are conscious of it (Rom 3:20). Sin, regardless if it is committed by us or against us, should not be the thing we behold or fix our eyes upon. When we behold something, we fix our eyes, also our mind's eye, upon it, so that it is becomes our focus. The problem is that we tend to gravitate toward our focus. We cannot journey north focusing and beholding what is to our south.

Perhaps this is part of why God continually tells us to fix our eyes on Jesus, and consider Him (Heb 12:2,3). John, the disciple whom Jesus loved (John 13:23; 19:26), knew Jesus well and knew how important it was for the church to focus on Him and His work at the cross, as the Lamb of God.

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! (John 1:29).

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. 2 He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world (1 Jn 2:1-2).

This week, even if sin abounds, let us remember who is the object of our journey, and keep our eyes fixed upon Him, as we behold Him.

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**Self-Served** 

# Whatever! Whatever your trial, God sees. Whatever your struggle, God knows. Whatever your cry, God hears. Whatever your difficulty, God cares. Whatever your problem, God understands. Whatever your need, God provides.

#### **Prayer List**

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

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

Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson

Health: Joyce Newbrey Donnie Vest Joanna Smith Joe Guiltner Dan Clark Wilma Cooper Wayne Crosby Tracy Thomas **Brooke Partin Troy Gaston** James Nicholson Hayden Phillips Bill Roland Donny Smith Joanne Weston Bill Wiseman Debbie Nicholson Helen King Phil Haagenson Mary Kosmitis Tommy Washington Jim Fowler Dale Smith **Buddy James** Ivy Jo Slade Jeff Young Andrew Weaver Johnny Guthrie Charlotte Cooper Cecilia Broughton Sue Campbell Bob & Arlene Davidson Chip & Regina Masters Earl Stephens Dorothy Teague Ted & Sanyia Austin Ted Kidd Richard Gunter

Diane Owens Shirley Lewis

**Nursing Home:** Lucille Linn, Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud,

Emma Jean Cooper

### **May Birthdays**

# **May Anniversaries**

David & Tamra Brightwell 10<sup>th</sup> Shelby & Ramona Qualls 25<sup>th</sup> Billy & Peggy Beebe 30<sup>th</sup> Joe & Holly Cooper 17<sup>th</sup> Charles & Jeanette Everette 27<sup>th</sup>

Philippians 4:19-20, "God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Now to our God and Father *be* the glory forever and ever. Amen."