

# Melbourne Church of Christ

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

**The Great 8**  
by Ryan Lloyd

**The following is 2 Peter 1:5-11 using Greek definitions. Be willing, eager, diligent, & earnest in your commitment to fulfill your covenant obligation to God. Sacrifice your life at your own expense. Make every effort to supply & add to your existing (1.) Faith:**

**2. Moral Excellence: uncommon excellence of character worthy of praise, exceptional virtue bringing the finest character to your commitment, whether unaccompanied or within a social context. to aspire to the highest standards of uprightness**

**3. Knowledge: the comprehension or intellectual grasp of something**

**4. Self-Control: the restraint of one's emotions, impulses, or desires**

**5. Perseverance: the capacity to bear up in the face of difficulty, patience, endurance, fortitude, steadfastness. a fortitude and endurance that comes from association with Christ**

**6. Godliness: only of awesome respect accorded (in being conformed in the image and characteristics) to God, devoutness. godliness as a result of perseverance and steadfastness**

**7. Brotherly Kindness: in a general sense, the love of a blood brother or sister. in the literature of 2 Pt. 1:7, the sense of affection for fellow Christians who are brothers and sisters in Christ**

**8. Love: the quality of warm regard with affection and genuine interest in others, human love without indication of the person who is the object of interest, very seldom, if ever, of sexual attraction**

**IF these qualities are yours and increasing you are not useless or unfruitful. As long as you PRACTICE these things, you won't stumble, this is the way to enter into the eternal kingdom of King Jesus.**

## Dates to Remember

- ★ Ladies meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food.
- Men meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month for breakfast @ 8 a.m.
- Potluck every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after services.

The Encouragement Group meets on Thursday's at 9 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

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



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A Place to Belong

### Elders

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## Family News

- Homecoming is on Sunday, October 29. Chuck Crow will be our speaker and a meal will be served after worship.
- Chip and Regina Master have a new address: 53 Jane Dr. in Melbourne. Regina's new phone number is: 870-214-1485
- Please keep Emma Jones in your prayers as she recovers from surgery.
- Robby Qualls has been moved to rehab. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers and regains his strength.
- Larry Young Memorial Contributions: Joyce Clark, Bonnie Wyatt, Danny and Betty Brightwell, Shelby and Ramona Qualls
- Collection jar for Children's Home: \$758  
Thank you for your contributions!

**OPENING PRAYER** Anthony Weston

**CLOSING PRAYER** Chip Master



**SEPTEMBER**

**JOE COOPER**

**SANDERS LEE WYATT**

**BRENT QUALLS**

**SHAWN WORTHAM**

**OCTOBER**

**SHELBY QUALLS**

**ROBERT LANGSTON**

**DANNY RUNION**

**KELLY DON WEBB**

**A Dogged Servant**

by Joshua Pettigrew

**If you went to the Shibuya train station in Tokyo, you would see a bronze statue honoring a dog named Hachiko. His master would commute home on the train, getting off at Shibuya. Every day, when his master disembarked at the station, Hachiko would be there to greet him. On May 21, 1925, Hachiko's master died at work and never returned home. For the next nine years, nine months, and fifteen days, Hachiko would go to the Shibuya train station, faithfully awaiting his master's return. The devotion he showed caused him to be honored by Japan.**

**Christians can relate to this story, because we also wait for our Master, King Jesus, to return. He warns us in Matthew 24 that we must be ready, because He will come when we don't expect it (v. 44). Furthermore, He desires to find his servants doing the work set for them to do (v. 45, 46) and will exact a terrible punishment upon those who are not found doing so (v. 51). We can imagine the joy that such a meeting would bring between a faithful servant and a faithful master! May we never grow weary of doing good. Rather, let us take advantage of God's patience, look forward to His appearing, and be faithful unto death (Revelation 2:10). "Blessed are those servants whom the master will find alert (and ready)." (Luke 12:37).**

**Prayer List**

**Military:** Derek Love    **Officers:** Steve & Sherry Davidson, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson    **Nursing Home:** Al Gillihan, Debbie Hoskinds, Imodean Webb, Troy Gaston

<b>Health:</b> Ted Kidd	Wilma Cooper	Donnie Vest	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Dan Clark	Cornelia Summers	Wayne Crosby
Tracy Thomas	Brooke Pritchard	Dwain Welch	Bill Roland
Hayden Phillips	Donny Smith	Joanne Weston	Nevin Hart
Bill Wiseman	Debbie Nicholson	Helen King	Phil Haagenson
Mary Kosmitis	Dorothy Teague	Jim Fowler	Shirley Lewis
Diane Owens	Ivy Jo Slade	Jeff Young	Lynn Hicks
Justin Teague	Charlotte Cooper	Cecilia Broughton	Sue Campbell
Chip & Regina Master	Ted & Sanyia Austin		Treva Voyles
John Ward	Michael Washington	Jerry Roland	Natasha Lesko
Shawna Teegarden	Christie Haney	Arlene Davidson	Regenia Gillihan

**September Birthdays**

Alan Love 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sandra Taylor 6 <sup>th</sup>	Marilyn Smith 6 <sup>th</sup>
Brad Sipe 8 <sup>th</sup>	Aaron Hoskinds 8 <sup>th</sup>	Randy Haney 13 <sup>th</sup>
Ann Lawrence 15 <sup>th</sup>	Sally Adkisson 19 <sup>th</sup>	James Phillips 20 <sup>th</sup>
Landon Taylor 25 <sup>th</sup>	Halle Jo Cooper 26 <sup>th</sup>	Christie Haney 26 <sup>th</sup>
Robert Langston 27 <sup>th</sup>	Stephanie Gillihan 28 <sup>th</sup>	

**September Anniversaries**

Trey & Melissa Lamb 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brad & Julie Teague 20 <sup>th</sup>
Brad & Laura Sipe 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Wayne & Melanie Crosby 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Brent & Lis Qualls 24 <sup>th</sup>	Rusty & Brandy Treat 29 <sup>th</sup>

**1 Timothy 1:12-14, "I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. Yet I was shown mercy because I acted ignorantly in unbelief; and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the faith and love which are found in Christ Jesus."**

**The Gospel is the DBR:**

