

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

Mustard Seed Faith

by Don Readhimer

"So Jesus said to them 'because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you'" (Matthew 17:20).

The Bible says that God's kingdom and faith are "like a mustard seed," or "as a mustard seed." The size of a mustard seed is only one of its characteristics.

The mustard plant is a fast-growing annual herb, growing up to 10-12 feet tall in only a few months. It was the smallest seed the Jewish people planted in their gardens, so it was called the smallest of seeds. Yet it became the largest plant in their gardens. The mustard seed is a striking example of the potential of a seed. Although it starts out small and insignificant, it quickly grows into something that blesses others.

A seed does nothing until it's planted. Our faith is planted by speaking, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say..." So to have mustard seed faith, we have to say something. Saying what God says in His Word is our best choice.

A seed can even push aside rocks or other obstacles, but it does not do so instantaneously. A seed does not move hindrances by an explosive burst, but by a relentless expansion of growth continually pushing outward and upward. As a seed becomes a plant, it continues to draw nutrients from its source, and thus continues to grow bigger and stronger, forcing hindrances out of its way.

No seed is ever affected by what other seeds do. Even if others die, it persists to never give up. Only death will stop its growth and production of fruit. This may be the most important characteristic of a mustard seed: it never gives up. May your faith be ever persistent, growing, working to produce fruit and never giving up.

Dates to Remember

August 18th **Men's Breakfast** @ 8am

August 26th **Ladies Night Out** @ 6pm, bring item for Manna House

October 6th **Homecoming with Chuck Crow, Fish Fry** after services

CHILDREN'S
HOMES, INC.



Southern
Christian
CHILDREN'S HOME

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

Tuna	Ivarest	Gatorate	Canned Chicken	Bottled Water
Diapers (Newborn & Size 1)	Rotel	Velveeta	Cereal	Flour
Granola Bars	Pringles	Vienna Sausage	Healthy Snacks	

Elders

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Bryan Phillips
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Family News

- Jerri Haney passed away on Friday, August 16. Visitation will be at Eddy's from 1-2 p.m. on Monday and the funeral will begin at 2 p.m. Please keep all the Haney family in your prayers.
- Football team devo and meal on Friday, September 13 @ the Fellowship Hall.
- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
SONG LEADER	Doyle Wyatt	David Brightwell
OPENING PRAYER	Sanders Lee Wyatt	Joe Ingram
CLOSING PRAYER	Larry Young	Frank Fowler



Alan Love
Danny Runion

Davis Love
Frank Fowler

Bryan Phillips
Wyatt Fowler

DOOR GREETERS

AUGUST 18TH **JOYCE CLARK & LAVONIA ROLAND**
AUGUST 25TH **FRANK, ELLIE, WYATT & CASH FOWLER**

CHILDREN'S GATHERING TEACHERS FOR AUGUST
DIANA WYATT & TRENA HUMPHREY

Nursery

August 18th **Yvette Young**
August 25th **Sarena Young**

Communion for Shut-In

August 18th **Doyle Wyatt**
August 25th **Bryan Phillips**

Power in Prayer Project

Lord, I pray for the faith that you give as a gift will take deeper root in my life. May I learn to focus on Your promise of eternal life and form an eternal mindset that transcends focusing on the flesh. Help me to not only pick up the baton of faith but actively and intentionally pass it on and keep it burning from generation to generation.

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	Jane Sullivan	Emma Jean Cooper	Wilma Cooper
Wayne Crosby	Tracy Thomas	Brooke Pritchard	Troy Gaston
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	Dan Clark
Phil Haagenon	Nick & Mary Kosmitis		Charlotte Cooper

Nursing Home: Lucille Linn, Audrey Eddings, Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud, Jimmy Gillihan

August Birthdays

Ashlyn Beebe 3 rd	Melba Gillihan 4 th	John Smith 8 th
Lucille Linn 9 th	Charlene Langston 10 th	Tiffany Webb 10 th
Holly Cooper 12 th	Billy Beebe 13 th	Brent Qualls 15 th
Abe Cooper 15 th	Anita Love 17 th	Tim Vest 20 th
Diane Zook 20 th	Madeline Sipe 21 st	Jimmie Young 22 nd
Dottie McWherter 23 rd	Jordan Kimble 23 rd	Ramona Qualls 26 th
Roby Cooper 26 th	Laine Wagoner 27 th	Sarena Young 28 th
Shawna Teegarden 29 th	Sanders Lee Wyatt 31 st	Mary Bone 31 st

August Anniversaries

Doug & Madeline Sipe 5 th	Tommy & Sandra Taylor 10 th
Danny & Betty Brightwell 12 th	Kelly & Tiffany Webb 13 th
Ronnie & Sallie Adkisson 15 th	Cleve & Darla Weaver 21 st Joe
& Shirley Guiltner 23 rd	David & Joyce Clark 28 th
Doyle & Diana Wyatt 29 th	

Feed your faith and your fears will starve to death.

– Unknown

