

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

Father's Day Perspective

by Brandon Britton

Father's Day, what does it mean to you? When I was young' it was a day to get dad a gift and say, "Thanks Dad for all the things you do." When I became a dad, it took on a deeper meaning as I realized the responsibilities. Now, being a father and a grandfather it takes on a special meaning. I look back at the memory of my own father with warm thoughts and understand him better.

I look to the future by looking in the eyes of my son. I hope and pray that I have been and am being the kind of example he needs to see to know what being a Christian father is all about. I look into the eyes of my grandson and see the wonder of new things as he learns to explore his world. I hope and pray that I am being the example he needs to see to know what being a Christian grandfather is all about.

Father's day is a wonderful day to stop and reflect on being a father. It's a time to think of the great privilege God has granted men to become fathers, and help shape a young mind and soul. It's a time to remember the responsibilities of Ephesians 6:4, "And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition the Lord."

Fathers, notice there are two parts to this verse. One is a negative, "provoke not." This provoking is done by making too many demands, undue severity when disciplining our children. The other part is a positive, "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." This requires instruction, spiritual and moral nurture as well as physical (Matt. 4:4). As children grow older, we need to give them admonition, that reasoning for which they should or should not do certain things (Deut. 6:6-9). Fathers, there will be no greater reward than getting to heaven and being surrounded by our families! Have a great Father's Day!

Dates to Remember

★ Ladies will meet 4th 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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* Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
SONG LEADER	TBA	TBA
OPENING PRAYER	TBA	TBA
CLOSING PRAYER	TBA	TBA



Self-Served

Honoring Dads
by Larry Fitzgerald

Sonora Dodd is usually considered the architect of the American event called "Father's Day." Sonora's father raised 6 children after his wife's death, and Sonora felt that such dads were worthy of double honor.

But the concept of honoring our fathers didn't originate in the U.S.A. God was the first to urge people to honor their pops (and moms). It was one of the original 10 commandments (Exodus 20:12). It was repeated under the New Testament (Ephesians 6:2). Ephesians 2 calls it "the first command with a promise." The promise being "long life in the land."

Some folks were not blessed with good fathers. That is regrettable. However, if you honor your father – whether he is still with us or not – God will bless you. He has promised.



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: Ted Kidd	Joyce Newbrey	Donnie Vest	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Dan Clark	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	Phil Haagenson
Mary Kosmitis	Tommy Washington	Jim Fowler	Shirley Lewis
Diane Owens	Ivy Jo Slade	Jeff Young	Lynn Hicks
Justin Teague	Charlotte Cooper	Cecilia Broughton	Sue Campbell
Bob & Arlene Davidson	Chip & Regina Master		Deborah Halcom
Dorothy Teague	Ted & Sanyia Austin	Richard Gunter	J.B. & Wanda Dill

Nursing Home: Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud, Emma Jean Cooper

June Birthdays

Brett Haney 2 nd	Sheilla Wammack 2 nd	Cash Fowler 7 th
Lisa Cooper 7 th	Natalie Brightwell 8 th	Jeff Young 9 th
Melba Fulbright 11 th	Sutton Morehead 11 th	Jeanie Yancey 14 th
Jim Cooper 14 th	Whitney Worlow 14 th	Kenny Moser 15 th
Wilma Cooper 16 th	Wyatt Fowler 16 th	Hayden Wyatt 19 th
Tom Phipps 20 th	Stacy Dale 23 rd	Mary Hannah Bryant 26 th
Melba Bryant 26 th	Abigale Gilbert 29 th	Diana Wyatt 30 th

June Anniversaries

Aaron & Kimberly Hoskinds 3rd	Randy & Christie Haney 4th
Doc & Linda Taylor 11th	Roger & Trena Humphrey 11th
Bryan & Cindy Phillips 12th	Alan & Anita Love 16th
Al & Francis Gillihan 25th	Jimmie & Melba Fulbright 27th

2 Peter 1:5-8, "Applying all diligence, add to your faith moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love. For if these qualities are yours and increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."