

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

If Not for Godly Mothers

by Matt Clifton

There are a lot of things in life that we might be able to do without, but the benefits of godly mothers are not one of them. Can anyone imagine what this world would be like if it were not for them? We would miss:

The Teaching of Eunice: Timothy's mother, along with his grandmother Lois, were said by the apostle Paul to have a sincere faith living in them, which they handed down to the young evangelist (2 Timothy 1:5), evidently teaching him the scriptures at an early age (2 Tim. 3:15).

The Reliability of Hannah: This godly woman desired a son, and promised that if God would grant her request, she would dedicate him to the Lord's service (1 Sam. 1:11). Being a promise-keeping woman, Hannah did exactly as she said she would (1 Sam. 27-28).

The Morality of King Lemuel's Mother: This royal's mother encouraged him toward right living in the areas of intoxicating drink, sexual immorality, and protecting the poor (Prov. 31:1-10).

The Industriousness of the Proverbs 31 Woman: Because of her willingness to work and business acumen, this woman's children would "rise up and call her blessed" (Prov. 31:28).

The Humility of Mary: When Mary was told by the angel Gabriel that she would give birth to the Messiah, her response was, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38a). This indicated her submission to God and her willingness to humbly work in the role God planned for her.

How we need godly mothers in our world today! Children need teachers of good things, reliability, morality, industriousness, and humility, and righteous mothers can be great examples of these things. Thank your mother today, show her appreciation, and give her godly encouragement!

Dates to Remember

- ★ Ladies meet the 4th Monday of every month @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food
- Men meet the 4th Sunday of every month for breakfast @ 8 a.m.

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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Family News

- JB Dill passed away last week. His funeral was held on Friday. Please keep Wanda and the Dill family in your prayers.
- Eula Fulbright is now home from rehab and recovering well. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Contribution in memory of Emma Jean Cooper from Randy and Diane Zook, and Bonnie Wyatt.
- Contribution in memory of Hazel Loggains from Mary Bristow.
- Our annual cleaning of the fellowship building will be on Tuesday, May 23rd starting at 8:30am.
- Ladies Day will be June 3rd Registration is from 9-9:30am and the program ends with a salad luncheon. Kitty Smith is our speaker.
- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

OPENING PRAYER Anthony Weston

CLOSING PRAYER Alan Love



SHELBY QUALLS

A Mother's Prayer

Author Unknown

If I live in a house of spotless beauty with everything in its place, but have not love, I am a housekeeper not a homemaker.

If I have time for waxing, polishing, and decorating the house, but have not love, my children learn cleanliness not godliness.

Love leaves the dust in search of a child's laugh. Love smiles at the tiny fingerprints on a newly cleaned window. Love wipes away the tears before it wipes up the spilled milk.

Love picks up the child before it picks up the toys. Love is present through the trials. Love reprimands, reproves, and is responsive.

Love crawls with the baby, walks with the toddler, runs with the child, then stands aside to let the youth walk into adulthood. Love is the key that opens salvation's message to a child's heart.

Before I became a mother I took glory in my house of perfection. Now I glory in God's perfection of my child. As a mother, there is much I must teach my child, but the greatest of all is love.

Prayer List

Military: Derek Love, A.J. Talkington **Officers:** Steve & Sherry Davidson,
Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson

Nursing Home: Debbie Hoskinds

Health: Ted Kidd	Richard Gunter	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 Haagenon
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
Arlene Davidson		Chip & Regina Master	Deborah Halcom
Ted & Sanyia Austin		J.B. & Wanda Dill	Nevin Hart
Dwain Welch	Jerry Roland	Christie Haney	Gary Fulbright
Treva Voyles	John Ward		

May Birthdays

Carolyn Younger 3 rd	Peyton Love 5 th	Lydia Sipe 10 th
Levi Taylor 12 th	Kollin Hoskinds 12 th	Tristan Elms 15 th
Whitney Morehead 19 th	Ellie Fowler 22 nd	Doyle Wyatt 22 nd
Marty Webb 28 th	Will Ingram 28 th	Linda Taylor 31 st

May Anniversaries

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

Psalm 34:17-19, "The righteous cry, and the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all."

"God sees you, hears you, and is ready to help you."

– Lynette Kittle