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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- Wedding shower for Kiley Webb and Rhett Carter is today, at the fellowship hall. They are registered at Wal-Mart, Amazon, The Home Place, and Target.
- ➤ Ladies will not meet in November. The ladies will have a Christmas party on Sunday, December 10 at 6pm in the fellowship hall. Bring a gift and finger foods.
- A special thanks goes out to Michelle Smith for providing Christmas ornaments for the Children's class to paint for nursing home residents.
- The Nursing Home Christmas gift list is in the foyer. Please take a card, then sign your name on the list beside the name you choose. The cards and names are numbered so they can be more easily found. Please bring the gift to the building by December 17.
- We are updating our sign digitally. If you would like to contribute to this expense, please contact Shelby or Danny.
- > Sermons and bulletins available at Melbournechurchofchrist.com

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

Why Do You Talk So Much About Jesus?

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An old Indian chief constantly spoke of the Lord Jesus and what He meant to him. "Why do you talk so much about Jesus?" asked a friend.

The chief did not reply, but slowly, gathered some sticks and bits of grass. He made a circle of them and in the circle he placed a caterpillar.

Still silent, he struck a match and lit the sticks and grass. As the fire caught around the circle, the trapped caterpillar began to crawl around rapidly, seeking a way of escape.

As the fire advanced, the helpless caterpillar raised its head as high as it could, and if it could have talk, it would have said, "My help can come only from above."

Then the chief stooped down and extended his finger to the caterpillar, who crawled up his finger to safety.

"That," said the chief, "was what the Lord Jesus did for me! I was lost in sin, my condition was hopeless, I was trapped. Then the Lord Jesus stooped down in love and mercy and drew me out of the horrible pit of sin and shame. How can I help but talk of His wondrous love and care?"

"God saved us not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit" (Titus 3:5).

OPENING PRAYER Rusty Treat

CLOSING PRAYER David Brightwell



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SHAWN WORTHAM

Bible Quiz

Read Titus 3:1-7

1.	Christians are to be to rulers and authorities, to, and to be for every good work.
2.	"We ourselves were also once, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and one another."
3.	True or False: We are not saved by works of righteousness which we have done
4.	"but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of and of the Holy Spirit"
5.	Christians have become according to the hope of life.

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, Sherry Smith, Sue Campbell, Barbara Watson, Bill Wiseman, Ann Lawrence

Ted Kidd	Wilma Cooper	Jim Fowler	Dorothy Teague
Bill Roland	Treva Voyles	Hayden Phillips	Debbie Crow
Cornelia Summers	Christie Haney	Joanna Smith	Wayne Crosby
Brooke Partin	Gary Brown	Sanyia Austin	Charlotte Cooper
John Young	Regenia Gillihan	Robby Qualls	Regina Master
Shawna Teegarden	John Ward	Jeanette Crosby Y	Youngblood

December Birthdays

Danny Brightwell 3 rd	Acy Beebe 4th	Danny Runion 6 th
Callen Cooper 6 th	Peggy Beebe 8th	Roger Humphrey 10 th
Earlene Martz 11 th	Brad Teague 11 th	Katelyn Moser 12 th
Shelby Qualls 14th	Paulette Jubela 14th	Rachel Claxton 14th
Kaden Williams 16th	Tamra Brightwell 20th	Shirley Guiltner 22 nd
Wanda Dill 23 rd	Rose Irvin 24th	Darla Weaver 24th
Deedra Watts 28th	Abby Everett 28th	Lavonia Roland 28th
Brandy Kelly 29th		

December Anniversaries

Bill & Lavonia Roland 2nd

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. Potluck every 5th Sunday after services, please bring a dish.

Regeneration is about the changes God has worked and is working upon us for the purpose of empowering us to do good works, to practice law-keeping, to obey our law code, to be holy as God is holy (1 Peter 1:16), to put sin to death in our lives (Romans 8:13), and to work out our salvation with fear and trembling (Philippians 2:12-13).

- Jack Cottrell