

**Dates to Remember**

May 19<sup>th</sup> **Men's Breakfast** @ 8am  
 May 20<sup>th</sup> **Ladies Night Out** @ 6pm, bring item for Manna House  
 June 30<sup>th</sup> **Potluck** after services



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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

Danny Brightwell  
 291-3439  
  
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 346-5255

**Deacons**

Bryan Phillips David Brightwell  
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*Family News*

- Danny Beebe will have surgery on Tuesday. Please keep him and the medical staff in your prayers.
- \* Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

**Suffering? It Could be Good!**

by Edd Sterchi

Most people do everything they can to get out of suffering. Untold amounts of money is spent to make us feel more comfortable and rid ourselves of pain and anguish. We have been indoctrinated that life should always be fun, easy, and pleasant. We are told that all suffering is bad and should be avoided at all costs.


But we do need to consider that God allows suffering in our lives for a higher purpose. The Psalmist confirms that, "It is good for me that I have been afflicted..." (119:71). In Hebrews 5:8 Jesus learned obedience through suffering.

Why does God permit some suffering to happen in our lives? Here are a few reasons:

- It is one way we can discover what is really important in life.
- It can also get our attention so that we can focus more upon spiritual matters.
- It's one way God molds us into the person He wants us to be.
- God comforts us in affliction and suffering so that we will be able to comfort others going through the same thing. (2 Cor. 1:3-7)
- Suffering can be a warning to stop self-destructive behavior.

This list could go on and on. We may never know all the reasons we suffer. But there is one thing for certain we can know – God is in control and we need to simply depend upon Him and put full trust in Him and He will see us through.

	<b>TODAY</b>	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>
<b>SONG LEADER</b>	David Brightwell	David Brightwell
<b>OPENING PRAYER</b>	Larry Young	Brent Qualls
<b>CLOSING PRAYER</b>	Bryan Phillips	Brad Sipe
		
<b>Kelly Webb</b> <b>Bryan Phillips</b>	<b>Alan Love</b> <b>Danny Runion</b>	<b>Davis Love</b> <b>Larry Young</b>
<b><u>DOOR GREETERS</u></b> MAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> <b>JOE &amp; DANA INGRAM</b> MAY 12 <sup>TH</sup> <b>LARRY &amp; YVETTE YOUNG</b>		
<b><u>CHILDREN'S GATHERING TEACHERS FOR MAY</u></b> <b>DIANA WYATT &amp; TRENA HUMPHREY'S</b>		
<b><u>Nursery</u></b> May 5 <sup>th</sup> <b>Anita Love</b> May 12 <sup>th</sup> <b>Trena Humphrey</b>		
<b><u>Communion for Shut-In</u></b> May 5 <sup>th</sup> <b>Bryan Phillips</b> May 12 <sup>th</sup> <b>Frank Fowler</b>		
<b><u>Power in Prayer Project</u></b> <p>Lord, when the storms of life hit and anxiety is high, remind me that I can learn obedience in times of suffering. Remind me to draw near and rely on You as I choose to embrace godliness when I can't make sense of things. Help me to know that You will safely guide me into what You have for me next. Thank You for Your Son Jesus Christ, who is my anchor.</p>		

<b><u>Prayer List</u></b>			
<b>Military:</b> Derek Love, Tyler Talkington, A.J. Talkington			
<b>Officers:</b> Steven & Sherry Davidson, Josh Morehead, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe			
<b>Health:</b> Dot Sanders	Joyce Newbrey	Cal Gillihan	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Larry Cooley	Emma Jean Cooper	Wilma Cooper
Wayne Crosby	Tracy Thomas	Brooke Pritchard	Ruth Lewis
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
Troy Gaston	Phil Haagenston	Nick & Mary Kosmitis	
<b>Nursing Home:</b> Lucille Linn, Jerri Haney, Audrey Eddings, Mary Alice Short, Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud, Jimmy Gillihan			
<b><u>May Birthdays</u></b>			
Danny Beebe 5 <sup>th</sup>	Lydia Sipe 10 <sup>th</sup>	Levi Taylor 12 <sup>th</sup>	
Kollin Hoskinds 12 <sup>th</sup>	Tristan Elms 15 <sup>th</sup>	Whitney Morehead 19 <sup>th</sup>	
Ellie Fowler 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Doyle Wyatt 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Marty Webb 28 <sup>th</sup>	
Will Ingram 28 <sup>th</sup>	Linda Taylor 31 <sup>st</sup>		
<b><u>May Anniversaries</u></b>			
David & Tamra Brightwell 10 <sup>th</sup>	Joe & Holly Cooper 17 <sup>th</sup>		
Shelby & Ramona Qualls 25 <sup>th</sup>	Charles & Jeanette Everette 27 <sup>th</sup>		
Billy & Peggy Beebe 30 <sup>th</sup>			
			
<p>The church will celebrate Halle Cooper and Lydia Sipe's high school graduation on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the fellowship building. Please bring a finger food.</p>			