

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

The Power of Hope
by Neal Pollard

Have you been struggling with some feelings of hopelessness lately? Whenever we have a hard time seeing the end in sight or we face uncertainty or are exposed to fears and anxieties, it can undermine our determination to have hope. Yet, over a hundred times in Scripture, God points us to the hope we have access to through Him and His promises. We have such a resource because of the rock-solid expectation He provides. Whatever may happen to us this week, this month, or this year, the Christian can look forward with confidence at the fulfillment of what God through Christ promises us. And Scripture says it so many ways:

- Hope does not disappoint (Romans 5:5)**
- Hope helps us persevere with eagerness (Romans 8:24-25)**
- Hope causes rejoicing (Romans 12:12)**
- Hope fills you with all joy and peace in believing (Romans 15:13)**
- Hope is an abiding quality, alongside such elite qualities as faith and love (1 Cor. 13:13)**
- Hope enables deliverance (2 Corinthians 1:10)**
- There is one, unconquerable hope (Ephesians 1:18; 4:4)**
- Hope is tied to earnest expectation and boldness (2 Corinthians 3:12; Philippians 1:20)**
- Hope is connected to steadfastness (Colossians 1:23; 1 Thessalonians 1:3)**
- Hope offsets grief (1 Thessalonians 4:13)**
- Hope tunes our hearts to look for Jesus' appearing (1 Timothy 4:10; Titus 2:13)**

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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

- Eula Fulbright broke her leg and had a hip replacement. She is currently in rehab at WRMC and healing well. She may return home later this week. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- 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 Danny Runion

CLOSING PRAYER Alan Love



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Hope encourages the pursuit of our eternal life (Titus 1:2; 3:7)

Hope anchors the soul (Hebrews 6:19)

Hope helps us draw near to God (Hebrews 7:19)

Hope is tied to endurance (Hebrews 10:23)

Hope is instrumental to faith (Hebrews 11:1)

Hope prepares for eternity (Colossians 1:5; 1 Peter 1:3,13)

Hope helps give a defense (1 Peter 3:15)

Hope purifies (1 John 3:3)

Remember this: "How blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, Whose hope is in the Lord his God" (Psalm 146:5).

"The hope of the righteous is gladness..." (Proverbs 10:28).

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "Therefore I have hope in Him" (Lamentations 3:24).

"Christ Jesus...is our hope" (1 Timothy 1:1).

You will face nothing today or ever that is too destructive, terrifying, or powerful to offset this hope! That doesn't mean be rash, reckless, or rebellious. It does mean be faith-filled, optimistic, and courageous! Are your faith and hope in God (1 Peter 1:21)?

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	J.B. & Wanda Dill	Deborah Halcom
Ted & Sanyia Austin	Jerry Roland	Christie Haney	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	

1 Peter 1:13, "Prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."