

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

Prepare to Meet Thy God

by Randy Mathis

Knowles Shaw was born October 13, 1834 in Ohio to Alban and Huldah Griffeth Shaw. At the age of 13 his father passed away. His dying words to his son, "Prepare to meet thy God."

At 18, Knowles considered his father's dying words. Then he met Gabriel McDuffie and George Campbell, who taught him the gospel. In 1852 Knowles confessed his faith in Jesus and was baptized.

Following his baptism Knowles became a preacher and began to teach others the gospel. In his lifetime he brought some 20,000 souls to obedience. He had unwavering faith, and unusual empathy.

You've probably never heard of Knowles Shaw until now, but you do know his works. You see, Knowles Shaw was a song writer, penning in his lifetime some 114 songs. Included among his works are "Bringing in the Sheaves," "I am the Vine," and "Tarry With Me."

At the age of 35, while traveling for a gospel meeting, the train on which he was riding went over an embankment. Brother Shaw was killed instantly. Survivors of the wreck recall Brother Shaw's dying words, "Oh, it is a grand thing to rally people to the cross of Christ."

I'd say Knowles Shaw was prepared to meet his God and he was helping others prepare as well. Question is, how prepared are you?

"Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the LORD, till He comes and rains righteousness on you" (Hosea 10:12).

Dates to Remember

★ Ladies will meet 4th Monday in Sept. @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food

Sermons and bulletins available @
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Sunday Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:00 p.m.



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A Place to Belong

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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

WORDSEARCH

John Prepares the Way (Matthew 3:1-12)

Z I K V J R J R M P R Z
H D C H A O U P Y R R L
Y O D A R U D R C O G O
O I N J K X E E U P I C
U B M E E O A A B H I U
M N N A Y J A C Q E O S
O B J R R H Y H M T M T
K D Z D A L M I F K B S
C R Y I N G T N X D L V
B A P T I Z E G H V F O
D N T M A R E P E N T S
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WILDERNESS
LOCUSTS
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PREACHING
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PROPHET

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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:	Joyce Newbrey	Donnie Vest	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Dan Clark	Wilma Cooper	Wayne Crosby
Tracy Thomas	Brooke Partin	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	Andrew Weaver
Johnny Guthrie	Charlotte Cooper	Cecilia Broughton	Sue Campbell
Bob & Arlene Davidson	Chip & Regina Masters		Earl Stephens
Dorothy Teague	Ted & Sanyia Austin	Ted Kidd	Richard Gunter
J.B. & Wanda Dill	Justin Teague		

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

September Birthdays

Alan Love 1 st	Sandra Taylor 6 th	Marilyn Smith 6 th
Brad Sipe 8 th	Aaron Hoskinds 8 th	Randy Haney 13 th
Ann Lawrence 15 th	Sally Adkisson 19 th	James Phillips 20 th
Landon Taylor 25 th	Halle Jo Cooper 26 th	Christie Haney 26 th
Robert Langston 27 th	Stephanie Gillihan 28 th	

September Anniversaries

Trey & Melissa Lamb 2 nd	Brad & Julie Teague 20 th
Brad & Laura Sipe 22 nd	Wayne & Melanie Crosby 23 rd

Hebrews 6:18-20, "It is impossible for God to lie, we who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a *hope* both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil, where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever..."