

Melbourne

Church of Christ

Where You Are Part of God's Family

February 6, 2011

They Handed Him Over

While Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside by themselves, and said to them on the way, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified; and on the third day he will be raised." (Matthew 20:17-19-NRSV)

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor. (Matthew 27:1-2-NRSV)

In the Greek New Testament, "hand over" and "betray" are the same word. This word conveys a sense of acting on one's self interest and intent to do evil. On each step of Jesus' journey to the cross, he is "handed over" to different groups of individuals. And ultimately, his "handing over" results in his death by crucifixion.

Jesus first mentions his "handing over" to his disciples as he predicts what he faces. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise" (Mark 9:31). "We are going up to Jerusalem," he said, "and the Son of Man will be betrayed (handed over) to the chief priests and teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise" (Mark 10:33-34). "The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners" (Mark 14:41b).

Second, Jesus is betrayed (handed over) to the religious authorities with a kiss from Judas. Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. The men seized Jesus and arrested him (Mark 14:44-46).

Third, once the religious authorities have their trial of Jesus, they hand him over to Pilate. Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision. They bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate (Mark 15:1).

Finally, after Pilate questions Jesus and after the shouts of the mob to crucify Jesus drown out Pilate's statements that Jesus is innocent, Pilate hands Jesus over to be crucified. Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified (Mark 15:15).

I encourage you to take some time this week to read and meditate on the "handing over story" of Jesus from one or more of the gospel accounts (Matthew 26:45-27:26, Mark 14:41-15:15, Luke 22:47-23:25, John 18:2-19:16. Ask yourself this question: Where might I be handing Jesus over?

—Steve Puckett



We welcome each of you to our worship service. As we gather to draw near to God, may we also draw near to those worshipping with us.



Melbourne Church Family Calendar/Area Events

(See the bulletin board, bulletin insert, or call the church office for more information)



- 2/6: **Worship at Indian River**, 2 p.m. with Don Hall & Melbourne Family Singers
- 2/12: **Ladies Day** "And now these three remain:...." at C of C of Flagler, Bunnell, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 2/12: **Youth MOceanside** devo at the Melbourne church building, 6 p.m.
- 2/12: **Pancake** (and so much more!) **Breakfast**, 8:30 a.m. Donations for the TORCH mission trip welcome!
- 2/13: **Baby Shower for Traci McGough** (it's a boy!) at the church building 2-4 p.m. (hosted by Josh & Traci's Care Group)
- 2/13: **Worship at Consulate**, 2 p.m. with Gary Canup and Melbourne Family Singers
- 2/14: **Young At Heart Valentine Brunch**, 9:45 a.m. at the church building. Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, or see Frances Riffle or Pat White.
- 2/17-20: **Youth to Winterfest** in Gatlinburg, TN
- 2/26: **Orange Avenue C of C Ladies' Day** "Tempted, Tried, & Delivered" 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- 3/6: **Blood Drive** in our parking lot, beginning at 8:30 a.m.



Ramblings From the Tilted Halo Society

God Glasses

But Jesus called the children to him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18-16 NIV 1984)

When you look at the homeless, what do you see? When you see people carrying signs asking for food or money, what do you see? What do you see when you see drug addicts, prostitutes, the disheveled and the mentally ill? Have you ever looked down on anyone or not wanted them near you? Many people don't. A friend of mine sends his children to Catholic school; they attend church and are brought up in a Godly manner. The night before this writing there was a city council meeting in which many did not want a place in their city where the homeless would congregate at certain times, eat meals and clean up. My friend told me his eight-year-old son was there, and actually got up to speak. He told the mayor and council that he had a prepared speech, but was too nervous to read it. What he did say was, "You are being unfair; these people are just looking for a good meal. How would you feel if you had nowhere to live and nothing to eat?"

No wonder Jesus called for the children. Their hearts are so pure, they look through God glasses. The children see the obvious, they see the need and they share the love. On another occasion this same friend and his young boys went for ice cream. The boys saw a man carrying a sign that said, "Need Money for Food." The boys said to their dad, "We need to give him money for food." My friend said, "All I have is the ice cream money." All three boys immediately said, "We don't need the ice cream, give him the money for food." Wow, you better believe the man ate that night, and

the boys had their ice cream, after that much unselfish love was demonstrated.

God sees right through the facades and behavior of people. He sees the need, He sees the pain and He sees the need for love. God sees that people have gotten themselves into situations from which they have no way out. God wants to help; sometimes he waits for folks to ask and sometimes he just helps. Sometimes people miss His help altogether. The boys I mentioned wear "God glasses" and see the hearts of people. These children don't call people homeless, drug addicts, mentally ill, or beggars. These children, like God, call them people. Like God, children see inside of these folks and see the people, they see their hearts and they see the people God created.

I don't know about you, but sometimes I need to borrow these boys' God glasses.

God Bless
Ken Jones
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Counseling is available, free of charge, for any of our members, your families, and any referrals you may want to make. Call Ken Jones to schedule an appointment - church office, 723.8233 or cell, 501.2014.

Family News and Notes



The Elders' Corner

A Quarter Too Much

Several years ago, a new preacher moved to Houston, TX. Some weeks after he arrived, he had occasion to ride the bus from his home to the downtown area. When he sat down, he discovered that the driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change.

As he considered what to do, he thought to himself, "You'd better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it." Then he thought, "Oh, forget it, it's only a quarter. Who would worry about this little amount? Anyway, the bus company gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a 'gift from God' and keep quiet."

When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, then he handed the quarter to the driver and said, "Here, you gave me too much change."

The driver, with a smile, replied, "Aren't you the new preacher in town? I have been thinking lately about going to worship somewhere. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. I'll see you at church on Sunday."

When the preacher stepped off of the bus, he literally grabbed the nearest light pole, held on, and said, "Oh, God, I almost sold your Son for a quarter."

Our lives are the only Bible some people will ever read. This is a really, almost scary example of how much people watch us as Christians and will put us to the test. Always be on guard and remember (as I try to remember) that you carry the name of Christ on your shoulders when you call yourself "Christian."

Tom Fennell

Baby Shower!

For Traci McGough (it's a boy!)
Feb. 13, 2-4 p.m. at the church building
Hosted by Josh & Traci's Care Group
Please RSVP to Cheri during church office
hours, or Christa Pierce at (321) 327-3684 or
at Hegaveit@aol.com no later than
Wednesday, Feb. 9.
We would love for you to join us!
(Traci is registered at Target)

Children's Ministry Announcements

2/6 Sun. AM - Nursery is provided during adult worship for infants and toddlers up to age 3. Pre-school Children's Worship is available for pre-school children age 3-5. Elementary Children (K-5th) will go directly to the CW room after Bible class. Our virtue this month is Kindness.

* Please pick up your children promptly after services.

2/9 7 PM Wed. All children go to the Children's Worship Room. We are learning about Elijah this month.

1/30/2011

CW Contribution

\$30.00

(All CW contributions go to Called & Compelled Honduras Missions)

Attendance:

Sunday School	36
Preschool Children's Worship	7
Elementary Children's Worship	28
Nursery	7

Pre-School Worship & Nursery Assignments

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Pre-Sch. Worship: Chip Carothers/Alex Heuser

Nursery: Cindy Puckett/Mary Parker/Vivian Lara

Feb. 13, 2011

Pre-Sch. Worship: Melissa Webber/Mary Parker/Callie Heuser

Nursery: Cheri Tate/Bonnie Seamon



Food Pantry Report

This past week, 142 families/464 individuals were served with food through our food pantry!

Donations of non-perishable items or money to purchase them are always welcome and appreciated! Cereal continues to be a staple need. Thank you to Harold McGee and our dedicated staff of volunteers, and to all who continue to support our pantry in any way!

*The Melbourne Church of Christ Food Pantry
is a non-discriminatory facility of
The Emergency Food Assistance Program.*

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes All Ages 9:30 a.m.
 AM Worship (Eng/Sp.) 10:30 a.m.
 PM Worship 6:00 p.m.
 (Alternative Care Group Meetings various times - contact Ken Jones)
 Pancake Breakfast 2nd Sun., 8:30 a.m.
 All-church fellowships on 4th Sun., 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday

Ladies' Bible Class Tues. 10:30 a.m.
 (lunch on 1st Tues. of month)
 Men's Prayer Meeting 1st Tues. 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study All Ages 7:00 p.m.

Serving as Elders:

**Gary Canup, Tom Fennell, Don Hall,
 Mike Lovelace, Don Nickens,
 Calvin Potts, and Pat Seamon.**

Serving On Staff:

Linda Hounschell, Financial Secretary
Tom Fennell, Pastoral Care
Ken Jones, Involve. Minister
Debby Nickens, Children's Minister
Walter Pierce, Youth Minister
Steve Puckett, Senior Minister
Cheri Tate, Secretary

Family Record 1/30/11

Attendance

Adult/6-12th Grade Bible Classes:	114
Children's Bible Classes:	36
Total Bible Class	150
Auditorium Worship:	251
Spanish Worship:	nc
Children's Worship/Nursery	35
Total Worship Count:	286

Budget Items

Weekly Budget 7/1/10-6/30/11	\$ 9,798
Contribution to Budget:	\$ 8,068
Contribution to Special Items:	\$ 661
YTD Budget	\$(35,005)
Audio/Video:	\$ -0-
Audio/Video Goal:	\$48,000
Audio/Video to Date:	\$48,000!

Order of Worship
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Song Leader	Josh McGough
<i>We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise</i>	54
Announcements	Pat Seamon
<i>He Paid a Debt</i>	376
<i>Lord, Be There</i>	<i>Words on Screen</i>
Prayer	Tom Barker
<i>Give Thanks</i>	68
Lord's Supper/Offering	Robert Bettis
<i>Above All</i>	<i>Words on Screen</i>
Scripture Reading <i>Matthew 20:17-19</i>	Norris Bottomlee
Sermon "They Handed Him Over"	Steve Puckett
<i>Restore My Soul</i>	567
Shepherd's Prayer	Mike Lovelace
<i>The Joy of the Lord</i>	559

- + A/V Tech: Ray Green
- + AM Nursing Home Service: David Bradley
- + Worship at Indian River, 2 p.m.: Don Hall & Melb. Family Singers

Worship Coordinators
Ken Jones/Mel Green

Servers: Dale Knowles (RS)
 (Feb.) Tom Tate (RM)
 Chip Carothers (C)
 Gary Davis (LM)
 Ernie Punzalan (LS)

Ushers: Benjamin Heuser (RS)
 (Feb.) Harry Gayle (RM)
 Jorge Lara (C)
 Larry Frazier (LM)
 Alex Zima (LS)

Shepherd's Prayer (Feb.): Mike Lovelace

Serving Next Sunday, Feb. 13

Song Leader: Walter Pierce
 Opening Prayer: Bob Eckelberry
 Announcements: Pat Seamon
 Presiding: Dave Carpenter
 Reading: Bill Pinch
 Message: Steve Puckett

A/V Tech: Ray Green

Shepherd's Prayer: Mike Lovelace

- + Nursing Home Service 9:30 a.m.: Tyrone Carter
- + Worship at Consulate, 2 p.m.: Gary Canup & Melbourne Singers

Announcements/Prayer Requests 2/6/11

*Welcome to all! Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the collection plate.
Children's worship and an attended nursery are available during this worship time.*

The Sunday afternoon nursing home worship – today will be at Indian River at 2 p.m. with Don Hall and Melbourne Family Singers. Next Sunday, the service will be at Indian River at 2 p.m. with Gary Canup and Melbourne Family Singers.

Youth MOceanside Devotional – will be hosted by the Melbourne church on Sat., Feb. 12 at 6 p.m.

Pancake Breakfast – Feb. 13 beginning at 8:30 a.m. This is much more than just a pancake breakfast! Donations for the TORCH mission trip are welcome.

Baby Shower for Traci McGough (it's a boy!) – Josh and Traci's Care Group want to help bring their son into the world with love, and will be hosting a baby shower on Sunday, Feb. 13 from 2-4 p.m. at the church building. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Cheri during church office hours, or Christa Pierce at (321) 327-3684 or at Hegavel@aol.com no later than Wednesday, Feb. 9. We would love for you to join us! (Traci is registered at Target.)

Young At Heart Valentine Brunch – on Mon., Feb. 14 at 9:45 a.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend, or contact Pat White or Frances Riffle. Food will be provided but you are encouraged to bring a large box(es) of cereal for our food pantry and/or make a donation to Honduras mission efforts.

In Our Prayers:

Louise Rickets and Family – Louise was taken off life support on Wed. and she was placed under hospice care. (*Louise is Esmerell Brown's sister*) Esmerell thanks you for your prayers and says her sister is “on the way to meet her Lord in the Promised Land – God is waiting for her.”

Cathy Bottomlee – “Thank you God for guiding and keeping our family. Amen!”

Mildred Baggett – is in failing health. Her pain is making it hard to walk and move. (*Kathy Burks' mother*)

Bessie Bernard – prayers requested for her by Rosie Clemons (*friend of Rosie*).

Mary Fennell – thanks everyone for the calls, cards and words of encouragement on the death of her brother, Louis Harvey, and for the concern and prayers for his family.

Larry & Lynn Frazier & Family – request continued prayers for their family. Lynn's sister, **Phyllis Holmes**, in Atlanta is doing better.

Larry Taylor – please continue prayers. He has had six chemotherapy treatments, and will have 2 or 3 more. He is a member of a Church of Christ in Blytheville, AR. (*Sondra Hayhurst's brother*)

Carl & Helen Higginbotham – please continue prayers for them through their struggles with Helen's health.

Denise Imperato – asks for prayers of blessings for her counselor, boss, and church family; and for restored visitation rights.

Lucie Philistin – asks for our prayers as she makes the 8-hr drive to visit her son in Wewahitchka, FL.

Jonathan Prive – got hurt at work. Please pray for healing. (*Angela Prive's son*)

Margaret Eiermann – prayers requested for her to have peace and strength. Daughter, **Briella**, is sick again.

Dave Stover – was home sick on Sun.

Marie Thompson – wishes love and peace to everyone.

Joe & Jane York – will be in Bradenton for a week for a Gospel singing and ask for our prayers for safety in travel.

KayLynn Zima – was recently diagnosed with ALS – Lou Gehrig's Disease. (*Paul Zima's sister*)

Janet Muse – went home from Sea Pines on Fri. and reported she is doing well after recent hip replacement surgery.

Sue Glover – went home from the hospital on Wed. after having problems with her blood pressure and swelling in her legs and feet. A medication change was made and she is doing better. Please keep her and Eugene in your prayers as they continue to deal with health challenges.

Jim Tom Butler – is being treated for colon cancer. The power of prayers and words of encouragement are a testament in that Jim Tom's cancer was downgraded from stage four to stage two. (*friend and classmate of Al Womack in Albany, TX*)

Mary Carter (*Tyrone's mother*) – is suffering from anxiety and depression. She is being evaluated to see if she can get into a program. Also please pray for Tyrone's sister, Denise, as she deals with this situation.

Sam Meredith – is recovering and doing pretty well after a 9-day hospital stay. He has been

moved to Consulate Health Care in Melbourne, on Sarno Road, across from Wal-mart. Sam's room number is 606A and his room phone is 253-5243. Thank you for your calls, expressions of love and most of all, your prayers. *(Sam is a former elder at the Oceanside church)*

The following teens of our congregation would like to be hired by you to help them in raising \$1,400 to go to Honduras.

To hire them you may contact them as follows:

Austin Diehl:

(son of Regine & Cletis Diehl)

Regine's cell: (321) 501-0324

Austin's cell: (321) 431-3667

Jonathon Finlayson:

(son of Samantha Finlayson)

Samantha's cell: (321) 266-5595

E-mail: Samantha.Finlayson@gmail.com

Cayla Grezaffi:

(daughter of Aimee Grezaffi; granddaughter of Janet & Carl Muse)

Cell phone/texting: (321) 604-7339

E-mail: grezaffia@yahoo.com

Robert Lindsey:

(son of Steve & Beth Lindsey)

Home: (321) 725-5935

Please

1. Make all checks payable to: "TORCH Missions."
2. Place all cash donations in an envelope clearly marked "TORCH Missions."

[You may turn the money into the church office or give to Gayle Davidson or Susan Wirsch.]

Thank you for supporting our young missionaries!