

The Valley Voice

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MVBC STAFF

Pastor

Rodney Kenagy

Worship Pastor

Seth Mason

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

Sunday School – 9:30 AM
Worship Service – 10:45 AM

Wednesday

TeamKids – dinner 6:30 PM
SOX – dinner 6:30 PM
Adult Bible Study – 7:00 PM

A Message From Your Pastor

Hello to you all. I hope all of you had a great September. Fall is now with us and winter is just around the corner. The more you get to know me, you will find out that I am not a winter person at all. I usually enjoy the first couple of times it snows and I also enjoy the first couple of weeks of cold weather and then, I find myself looking and waiting for Spring to come as fast as it can.

But I do know those people who look forward to the cold days of winter and I guess saying that, it is making a point I want to talk to you all about. God has created each of us differently. Each one of us is unique and each one of us has been created for a purpose. Last month I spoke about how each one of us who claim to be believers have been given a gift by the Holy Spirit. Some have even been given more than one. Last month I said that each one of us should know what that gift is and to use it to serve God and to serve others. 1 Peter 4:10 speaks directly to this. I wanted to ask you if you have been using your gifts? Have you been seeking out opportunities to serve? I know there are lots of people whom serve us with their gifts week in and week out. I wanted to say thank you for all you do. I also wanted to challenge those of you who might not be using your gifts for whatever reason, to seek out ways to serve. If you don't know what your gift is or you might not know what it is you can be doing, please come to me and we will figure out what it might be that God wants you to be doing.

On October 12th we are going to be reaching out with the love of Christ to our community by participating in the St. Joe Serve Project. I would encourage all of you to participate in one way or another. We will need people who actually go out and work with their hands to serve our community and show Christ's love to them. We will need some who will be prayer warriors for this project and praying for opportunities for us to be able to share the gospel with those who might not know Christ. We will need people who will serve by providing supplies we might need in order to complete the tasks we will be undertaking. In just this one project you can see that there are a number of ways you might be able to use the gifts that you have been given to serve others so that they may see the glory of God.

I guess my point is this; I believe that each one of us, to be obedient to God, should be using the gift or gifts we have been given to serve God and to serve others. In the coming weeks, months and years, there are going to be things God wants us at MVBC to be willing to do for Him. I just want everyone to know and be willing to use the gifts that God has given you to obediently serve Him. I know that God wants to do great and mighty things with those who love and obey Him. I want each of you to know the blessings of faithfully serving our Father.

Until next time.

Lookin' Up,
Rodney

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November Business Meeting

We will be having our monthly business meeting on the second Sunday of the month (11/9). A pot-luck lunch will be held following the meeting, so please bring enough food to feed your own family.

St. Joe Serve

MVBC will be taking part in St. Joseph Serve again this year, helping to meet the physical needs of people in our community through a variety of service projects. MVBC's service projects will take place on October 12th, following our normal service. Afterwards, a community celebration service will be held at Frederick Boulevard Baptist Church at 7:00 pm.

In addition to the above, MVBC is partnering with the American Red Cross to help provide lifesaving smoke alarms free of charge to area residents. If you would like to participate in this project, please purchase and bring battery powered smoke detectors to church. Please contact Angie Springs at (816) 232-8439 or (816) 671-0371 if you have questions.

Ladies Craft Retreat

Nancy Stickley and Jala Damery will be hosting a ladies' scrapbooking / craft retreat on November 14th and 15th at Nancy's home. More details, including a sign-up sheet will be available soon, but feel free to talk to Nancy or Jala if you have questions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Operation Christmas Child
A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God's love. Since 1993, more than 61 million shoe boxes have been packed, shipped, and delivered across the globe. People of all ages can be involved in this simple, hands-on mission project while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas – Jesus Christ.

Here's how you can help:

- Use an empty shoe box (standard size, please) or a small plastic container. You can wrap the box (lid separately), but wrapping is not required. Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift.
- Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14.
- Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child. Use the gift ideas provided on the bottom of this page.
- Please donate \$7 or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs. You can write a check to Samaritan's Purse (note "OCC" on memo line) and place it in an envelope on top of the gift items inside your box. If you or your family are preparing more than one shoe box, please make one combined donation.
- Place a rubber band around each closed shoe box and drop off at the Church during our collection time – the first part of November.

Gift Ideas:

- **TOYS** (Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (w/extra batteries), Slinky®)
- **SCHOOL SUPPLIES** (Pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books)
- **HYGIENE ITEMS** (Toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth)
- **OTHER** (Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights–w/extra batteries)
- **A PERSONAL NOTE** (In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)
- **DO NOT INCLUDE:** Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

<u>Date</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Missions Offering</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
9/7	\$2,109.44	\$65.00	\$195.00
9/14	\$1,631.71	\$15.00	\$205.00
9/21	\$ 812.91	\$75.00	\$105.00
9/28	\$ 869.15	\$30.00	\$ 30.00

Missions offerings given in the months of September, October, November, and December go to support the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, supporting missionaries serving through the International Mission Board.

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Shepherd / Sheep

We will be starting a new program soon to minister to the many kids in our church, called "Shepherd / Sheep". Adults will serve as "Shepherds" for kids ("sheep"). Four things will be expected of our "shepherds":

1. Praying for your child each day.
2. Talking with your child each Sunday, giving them a high five, hug, or just generally finding out how they're doing.
3. Recognizing their birthday with a small gift.
4. Send a hand-written note each month.

If you'd like to take part in this ministry, please contact Shane Sanderson.

Annual Harvest Festival

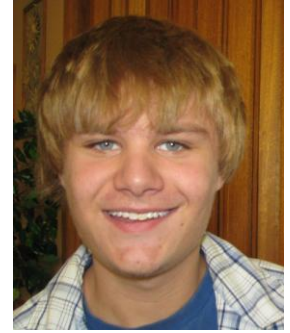
On Saturday, September 18th, at 5:00 pm, our annual Harvest Festival will be held. We'll host a cook-out, hayride, and will also hold a chili cook-off! A sign-up sheet can be found on the back bulletin board for needed items. Please contact Shirley Janecek, Mary Rogers, or Terri Matthews if you need more information. We hope to see you there!

Contact Information For Pastor Rodney

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MEET OUR MEMBERS!

Craig is the 15 year old son of Steve & Cindy. He is brother to Chad (21), Steffany (19), and Sydney (13) and has a gray cat with no tail named Ryan. He is homeschooled, and is a sophomore.



Craig Graves

In his spare time, Craig enjoys reading and hanging out with his dad. Hobbies include building model cars and collecting swords. Craig is a member of the Blue Fish Bible Quiz Team, and is active with Southside Youth Outreach.

Craig would like to become a postman in the future, but is really open to whatever God has planned.

If you weren't in worship service on September 28th, you missed out on hearing Craig recite Luke 4... in its entirety, word for word, from memory! IMPRESSIVE!

MVBC sends our prayers and best wishes with Craig while he is Bible Quizzing.



Sandy & Mike Pendleton

The Pendletons have been involved in MVBC for a very long time. Sandy has been a member her entire life, as she started attending with her parents right after her birth! Mike joined when he and Sandy started dating.

This year, they celebrated a lot of 29's in their life... 29 years of marriage... 29 years for Mike with Nestle Purina... and 29 years for Sandy with the Postal Service.

Mike and Sandy have two children, Dustin and Cami.

In his spare time, Mike enjoys fishing, photography, reading, and helping with Cami's cross country and track teams. Sandy enjoys scrapbooking (when she isn't attending Cami's athletic events).

Sandy has taught Sunday School at MVBC since she was 16 years old. For several years, she led the children's programs on Wednesday nights. Mike has taught Sunday School, served as a deacon, and currently leads a small group Bible study.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

<u>Week of...</u>	<u>Nursery (S.S.)</u>	<u>Nursery (Worship)</u>	<u>Nursery (Wed.)</u>
10/12	Sheila Wahlerl	Jason & Mandi Griffin	Mary Rogers
10/19	Mary Rogers	Sheila W. & Rick Hartman	Ona Hartman
10/26	Brenda Moran	Kenny & Ona Hartman	Kim Hartman
11/2	Mandi Griffin	Gwen & Ronnie Sampson	Brenda Moran
11/9	Kim Hartman	Paul & Jala Damery	Mona Parsons
11/16	Mary Rogers	Kirk & Kim Hartman	Mary Rogers
11/23	Brenda Moran	Mike & Kelley Wertin	Ona Hartman
11/30	Mona Parsons	Jeff & Brenda Moran	Kim Hartman
12/7	Mandi Griffin	John & Nancy Stickley	Brenda Moran



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00p – Bible Study 7:00p – TeamKid 7:00p – SOX Youth	2 6:30p – Janecek SG	3	4
5 9:30a – S.S. 10:45a – Worship Business Meeting 6:30 – Atchison Sr Village	6	7	8 7:00p – Bible Study 7:00p – TeamKid 7:00p – SOX Youth	9 6:30p – Janecek SG	10	11
12 9:30a – S.S. 10:45a – Worship 1:00p – St. Joe Serve	13	14	15 7:00p – Bible Study 7:00p – TeamKid 7:00p – SOX Youth	16 6:30p – Janecek SG	17	18
19 9:30a – S.S. 10:45a – Worship	20	21	22 7:00p – Bible Study 7:00p – TeamKid 7:00p – SOX Youth	23 6:30p – Janecek SG	24	25
26 9:30a – S.S. 10:45a – Worship	27	28	29 7:00p – Bible Study 7:00p – TeamKid 7:00p – SOX Youth	30 6:30p – Janecek SG 5:00p – Valley Food Kitchen/SOX Youth Group to serve	31	