

Ready...Set...it's GOctober!

Next Sunday, **October 5th**, is the beginning of our annual focus on missions for October. Please join us as we celebrate what God is doing in and through His people around the world. We will have several special events and speakers throughout the month.

Equipping Hour: We'll all meet together in the auditorium during October. We'll have panel discussions about our 2nd set of missions convictions. If you were here last year, we talked about the theological principles that form the foundation of what we believe as a church about missions. This past year, the missions team built on that foundation to develop a set of convictions that describe the Biblical Strategies that will guide our practical decisions about missions in the future.

During Equipping Hour, we'll also hear from guest missionaries around the world, sharing with us about their work, their joys, and the challenges that they face. One of these guests will be someone who used to be part of our own congregation, so you won't want to miss hearing from these folks! As always, childcare and children's classes are available during Equipping Hour.

Teaching Hour: In addition to our own Pastor Chris, we'll hear from Tom Kelby, President of Hands to the Plow Ministries. On **October 12th**, Tom will speak to us on The Cost and Joy of Going. Matt Thackerson leads the Church Missions Team at the Baptist Convention of New Mexico. He will be with us on the **19th** to talk about Compassion and Need.

Missions Dinner: On Saturday, **October 11th**, we will have a special missions dinner with Tom Kelby at 5:00 pm. This is your chance to learn more about his ministry at Hands to the Plow, as well as to enjoy food and fellowship with each other.

Missions Fair: Throughout the month, we will have tables in the lobby with information and people to answer your questions about missions and the opportunities you may want to participate in over the next year.

Taste the Nations: On Sunday, **October 26th**, we will wrap up GOctober with an international potluck buffet after the morning worship service. You do not want to miss it!

If you have questions about your spiritual walk or how to know how you can be saved, baptized, or join Mountain Valley Church as a partner, we would always love the opportunity to connect with you. Just stop by the Connection Center at any time and set up a meeting with one of our pastors.

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Thank you for taking the time to worship with us at Mountain Valley Church! Like many areas of life, we know that we are all at different points along the journey in our walk with Christ. Our goal is to help people, no matter their location, become passionate followers of Jesus. This help will differ for each person, but ultimately, there is no greater help than pointing you to Jesus.

Gathering

We believe the greatest way we can help each person is to gather together around Jesus Christ. This gathering comes through responding to the Word of God and renewal from the Word of God and His people. It is with great gladness and gravity that we pursue the greatness of our great God.

Scattering

Though we are all at different locations on the journey, we believe that gathering as a body is not about consumption, but growth. We gather together to be edified so that no matter our location, we can scatter for the name of the LORD Jesus Christ.

Prepare: Text to read for Sunday, **October 5**
- John 4:37-42



MVC's 35th Anniversary Celebration!

Thank you for joining us today as we celebrate 35 years of God's faithfulness at Mountain Valley Church! This will be a special day filled with food, fellowship, and fun as we honor all that God has done. Please note that there will be no kids' class this morning so that families can enjoy the service together.

After the worship service, a meal will be served—MVC will provide the meat and desserts, and we're asking each family to bring a side dish to share. But if you didn't bring one, no worries—*please come anyway!* There will be plenty of food and a place for you at the table.

Let's rejoice in the past, celebrate the present, and look forward with faith to all that God has in store for MVC!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Midweek at MVC - Wednesday, **October 1**

- Ignite Youth Group: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

More Than Conquerors: Forge Your Faith in Christ

This is no ordinary men's Bible study—it's a 5-week, high-octane charge into Romans 8, forging rock-solid men with the raw power of God's Word. Equip yourself for life's battles, stand strong with your brothers, and rise to the challenge.

When: Saturday, **October 4**th at 9:00 am

Where: MVC, 5 Dinkle Road

Gear up, men! This is your call to conquer through Him who loves us. Show up battle-ready!

MVCstudents: Spark

Hey students and families! Don't miss Spark (formerly known as YAC – Youth After Church) on Sunday, **October 5**th, from 5:30–7:30 pm at Judy Rigdon's house (48 Navarro Road, Edgewood). This is a family event—parents are invited, and younger siblings of a MVCstudent are welcome too. Enjoy an evening of food, fun, and a bonfire together. It's the perfect way to close out the weekend—see you there!

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request, you can easily share it with us using the Connection Card, through our website, or right in the MVC app—just look at the bottom of the front screen.

Tuesday Café Night

Mark your calendars! Our next Cafe Night is coming up on Tuesday, **October 14**th, hosted by the Melidones Life Group. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm, and the best part—it's absolutely free! Come, relax, and enjoy a great meal and fellowship together.

Our Café Nights are also an excellent opportunity to invite others from our community. Bring a friend, coworker, or family member—there's no cost for the meal, just food ready and waiting for you.

If you have dietary restrictions, never fear! We have a group of "free eaters" (gluten-free, dairy-free, etc.), and we'd love to accommodate you. Just let Lisa know so we can plan accordingly by contacting her at Lisa@MountainValley.org.

Life Groups

Looking for a place to connect, grow, and belong? Mountain Valley Church invites you to be part of a Life Group—where faith and friendship come together. These small gatherings are a chance to share life, dive deeper into God's Word, pray with one another, and enjoy meaningful conversation.

With a variety of groups to fit your schedule, there's a place waiting just for you! Stop by the Connection Center today to find the perfect Life Group and take the next step in building lasting relationships.

!!Please Note!!

The blue seat covers are reserved for the family and friends of those in wheelchairs or those who need assistance. Please do not add a chair in the empty space.