

2025 State Missions Offering

The New Mexico State Missions Offering ensures that the Southern Baptist Convention of New Mexico, a fellowship of churches, has resources for mission work all across New Mexico through its churches and associations. All of the gifts received toward the State Missions Offering are used right here at home in NM!

Church Planting – 40%

Collegiate Ministries – 10%

Hunger Funds – 10%

Inlow and Sivells Camps (improvements) – 20%

NM Disaster Relief – 10%

People Groups Ministry and Evangelism – 10%

Please give by using the designation: “Special Christmas Offering.”



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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Malachi An Advent Series: The Last Light Before Dawn



December 7, 2025

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, **December 14**

- Malachi 2:10-16

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daily Readings for Advent

This Advent, we invite you to join us in reading *The Dawning of Indestructible Joy* by John Piper. These 25 brief devotional readings begin on December 1 and lead us all the way to Christmas Day.

The book is available for \$5 at the Connection Center.
Let's prepare our hearts together for the joy of Christ's coming!

Tuesday Café Night

Join us on Tuesday, **December 9**, for a special Café Night hosted by the Worship Team! The team, along with MVCKids, will be sharing songs of the season. The menu for this Café Night will be determined by all of us, which means it is a POTLUCK meal! Please let Garry know what you will be bringing.

There will also be a Christmas cookie bake-off, so bring your best cookie because there is a prize for the best cookie, as determined by assigned judges!

It'll be a joyful evening filled with music, community, and Christmas cheer—like caroling, but without the cold weather! So throw on your ugly Christmas sweater and join us! 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 an excellent opportunity to invite others from our community. Bring a friend, coworker, or family member.



Midweek at MVC - Wednesday, December 10

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

Budget Partner Meeting

Partners, join us on Sunday, **December 14**, at 5:00 pm for our Budget Partner Meeting. During this meeting, we'll review and approve the proposed 2026 budget.

All partners are encouraged to attend as we look ahead and prayerfully plan for the coming year.

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.

Year-End Giving

As 2025 draws to an end, prayerfully consider giving generously to help us meet our year-end budget. As a church, we rely on strong December offerings. First, let's join together and pray that God would meet the needs of our church. Second, seek the Lord and give as He directs. We are already beginning to plan for 2026 and looking forward to how we can continue to connect with people where they are and help them become passionate followers of Christ.

!!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.

PT101

At MVC, we take partnership seriously and hope that you do too. If you do not have a church home, we pray that PT101 helps answer some of your questions. PT101 covers our statement of faith (what we believe), our covenant, our history as a church, and how it has been informed by church history, the expectations and roles of a partner, and our service opportunities.

The PT101 class meets on Sunday mornings during the Equipping Hour. For more information, contact Bill@MountainValley.org.

Christmas Eve Service

We invite you to join us for our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Wednesday, **December 24**, at 5:00 pm. The service will be filled with Christmas carols and, as usual, kids are invited to wear pajamas for a special time with Pastor Chris during the service.

*We will be combining with Cedar Springs Church this year. It will be a special time of worship as we celebrate the birth of Christ together.

Please come early to get a seat, as we expect a full house!

