

Ministry of Caring

September 30, 2025

Care

Pray, Write, Call, Reach Out to: Our Families at Home

Alice Ann Wallace, Matt Belitz, Mary Hicks,
Steven Fish, Doug Fish, Barbara McCulloch

Our Families in Care Facilities

Morning View: Joyce Fulton

Shannondale: Jean Jordan

Legacy Park Health/Rehab: Caroline Chacon

Our Extended Families

Haley Allen, friend of Michelle Delozier,
Kate, friend of Judy Raby, **Zane**, friend of
Michelle Delozier; **Susan and Alex's son**,
neighbors of the Wilsons; **Steve Millsaps**,
Judy Humphreys' brother

Calendar Items

- **Oct. 8-** Fall Break! No Wednesday night kids/preteens/youth activities, no choir!
- **Oct. 8-11-** Heaven Sent Home Yard Sale
- **Oct. 12-** First meeting for the Youth Arts Team
- **Oct. 14-** LIFE Group Potluck meal in the Fellowship Hall at noon
- **Oct. 26-** Ministry Celebration

Impact

October

Dollar in the Pew

Global Missions

Our Dollar in the Pew for October/ November will complement the church's efforts towards the CBF Offering for Global Missions. You support Christ's presence through CBF missionaries in the US and around the world.

DONATION

Donations of Poptop Cans of Soup, Tuna Salad + Cracker Kits, and bottled water are needed for the MVBC Blessing Box.



In Memory of Laverne Prince

We share with sadness that Laverne Prince passed away Sunday evening. He is remembered with love by his wife, Sharon Prince, and their family. At this time, no service arrangements have been scheduled. Please keep the Prince family in your prayers as they grieve this loss.

Connect

Dear Church Family,

We want to provide you with an update on our proposed sanctuary renovation project. The Stewardship Committee, after careful and prayerful consideration, recommends postponing the project for the time being.

This decision was made after a review of our financial viability with an outside banking partner, who recommended a six-month postponement.

Our banking partner is willing to reevaluate Monte Vista's financial viability after the year-end 2025 total revenue/expenses have been finalized.

The Stewardship Committee has unanimously agreed with this recommendation.

We know many of you are passionate about this project, and we appreciate your faithful tithing and generous pledges.

This pause allows us to continue to strengthen our financial position while we seek God's guidance on the best path forward for our church.

Further updates will be shared at the beginning of 2026. In the meantime, please continue to pray for our church's ministries and the work we do in our community and around the globe.

**In His service,
The Stewardship Committee**



**Will begin meeting on Sundays
at 4 PM starting on October 12.**



Senior Adult Life Group will meet on Tuesday, Oct 14, at noon for a potluck meal. Bring your favorites. Our program will be presented by Jasmine Satterfield from Blount Memorial Senior Outreach.



Do you want to serve with Operation Christmas Child this year? There will be information on how to serve in the Welcome Center this Sunday.



From Your Interim Pastor

October is "Church Staff Appreciation Month."

Think about the variety of ways in which the staff members enhance the life and ministry of MVBC. Each week, their combined efforts provide covenant partners and guests with worship opportunities, age group ministries, counseling, and pastoral care. At any given time, they also help plan and implement community and regional missions work. Our support staff provides office services, financial management, technical support to all our ministries, and clean facilities. The staff coordinates building usage and manages the church calendar.

They work in partnership with church committees, ministry teams, and the Deacons to implement the congregation's mission and vision. I can only try to imagine how many individual conversations, emails, and texts they handle each week.

The staff members care deeply for people. Even as they go about their other tasks, they invest time and energy in getting to know covenant partners, guests, and folk outside the church. Each dares to share in the joys and pains of others, and they consistently practice intercessory prayer.

I appreciate MVBC's church staff. I trust you do, too.

Mike

