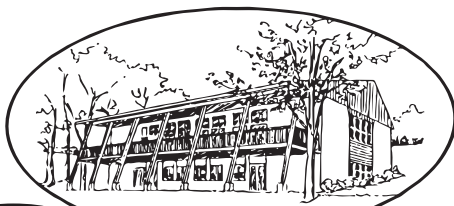


The Views



Mountain View Bible Camp Newsletter For All Ages

Fall 2021

Thoughts from the Administrator's Desk

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Dear friends of Mountain View,

As we move towards the end of the 2021 calendar year, I am thankful that we have been able to offer some in-person ministry programs. Since we were created to be social beings, part of camp's purpose is to provide a safe place for individuals to gather and fellowship together. During the pandemic, camp has become more aware of the negative effect that social distancing has had on many. Stress, anxiety, feelings of hopelessness, distance, and other similar feelings, have brought about discouragement for so many. MVBC continues to navigate the pandemic and help care for those able to attend camp sessions.

This year's theme, "Build Each Other Up" has been a fitting theme for 2021. Though MVBC was unable to hold youth programs during the summer, we are grateful to have offered them again this past October. As we welcomed youth and counselors back to the hill, there were real feelings of renewed hope and joy. Being together, enjoying fellowship, hearing joyful singing, listening to Bible lessons, moving back toward some normality, and being able to build each other up, have all been real blessings.

We are also thankful for the family style programs which did allow for fellowship and spiritual encouragement throughout the pandemic. With thankfulness, camp looks back to how the Lord directed us to build the new duplex cabins with private bathrooms and the pavilion which allowed for outdoor meeting space and food service. The separate sleeping areas allowed MVBC to retool and host a number of camp sessions while providing a peaceful setting in the great outdoors. We can see how God directed in the past to help provide for the present needs.



As we move into 2022, our prayer and goal is to return to normal camp session programming. As we map out the 2022 calendar, there may be some program changes, but we currently believe that most of camp's regularly scheduled sessions will return. More information will be released as the calendar is finalized.

My prayer for you, friends of this camp ministry, is that God will grant you good health, encourage you and build you up in Him.

Jonathan Stassel
CAMP ADMINISTRATOR



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MEMBER

Blessings & Needs

BLESSINGS

Listed here are a number of program blessings MVBC was able to host during the 2021 year:

Red Cross Lifeguard Training
Family Week
Camp Good News Day Camps
Family Week
AGA Guest Group
Junior/Intermediate Weekend
Family Reunion Guest Group
Local School Guest Group
Fall Senior Weekend
Local Church Guest Group
Scrapbook Weekend Guest Group
Friends Weekend Guest Group

June 7-18
July 18-24
July 26 - August 6
August 8-14
August 19-23
October 1-3
October 8-10
October 14-15
October 22-24
October 29-31
November 11-14
November 19-21

UPCOMING: Winter Escape

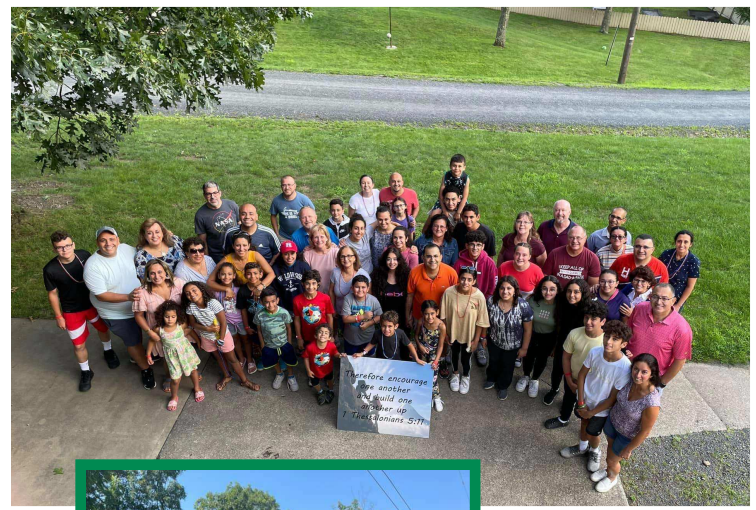
December 26-30

NEEDS

Though MVBC was able to host the programs and groups listed, camp was only able to take in about 30% of our normal summer income stream. Monthly expenses currently run around \$20,000 per month regardless of program ministry taking place or not. During these reduced ministry months, camp has stretched ministry dollars as much as possible while making good use of time to make much needed facility improvements. At the time of writing this newsletter, MVBC is carrying a debt of close to \$30,000. We truly value your prayers as we trust the Lord to provide for this current need as well as the needs of the future.

I am reminded of the song, "My Lord Knows the Way Through the Wilderness". All I need to do is follow. Strength for the day... and all I need for tomorrow... The Lord is well aware of the need and He is fully in control.

Our desire is that when the Lord returns, He will have found us faithful!



Mountain View's Mission

This ministry will strive to provide well maintained residence facilities and grounds in order to:

- Disseminate the truths of the Bible and glorify God in all areas of camp ministry.
- Stress the necessity of salvation, sound Biblical doctrine and a deeper consistent walk with the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Provide innovative, challenging, nature-based educational camping for people of all ages.



Mountain View Bible Camp Credit Card Direct Giving

Why join this plan?

1. Administrative time/costs will be reduced, enabling your gift to work faster to spread the gospel.
2. Works automatically, so you don't have to remember to mail your check.
3. Saves on postage cost.

How to sign up:

1. Fill out this form (be sure to sign and date it).
2. Send this form to Mountain View Bible Camp.
3. MVBC will do the rest.

- When you sign up for the Direct Giving Plan, your gift will be charged to your credit card as noted. With many new banking options available online, scheduled gifts can be sent directly from your financial institution to camp. This option does offer about 3% savings over a credit card gift.
- Credit Card Direct Giving Plan gifts provided to Mountain View Bible Camp are tax deductible.
- Mountain View also accepts PayPal contributions. A link is provided at MVBCamp.org.
- If at any time you wish to increase, decrease or suspend your giving, contact Mountain View Bible Camp at 570-672-2296 or 570-274-6979.

Please divide my gift in this way:

- A. I would like to contribute to the General Fund. \$ _____
- B. I would like to help needy campers (Scholarships). \$ _____
- C. I would like to help meet the 10% to 25% gap between fees and expenses. \$ _____
- D. I would like to contribute to the Maintenance Fund. \$ _____
- E. I would like to help support the Full-Time Staff living expenses. \$ _____

Total Amount of Charge: \$ _____

- ☐ Please charge my card one time.
- ☐ Please charge my card each month.

Thank you for supporting the Lord's work at Mountain View Bible Camp!

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MVBC Wish List

- Outdoor Carpet for Golf Course
- 2 Murphy Beds (Full Mattress) for Duplex Cabins
- Tetherballs/Volleyballs/Basketballs/Golf Balls
- Gaga Pit

Items Received:

- Pool Table
- Ping Pong Table
- 9 Square in the Air Game
- Plants
- Furniture



This newsletter is published for those interested in Mountain View Bible Camp. Letters, comments and questions are welcome. Please send them to:

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