

The Views



Mountain View Bible Camp newsletter for all ages

Fall 2025

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Thoughts from the Administrator's Desk

2025 THEME:

Grateful Thankful Blessed

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good. –Psalm 107:1

Dear friends of Mountain View Bible Camp,

Back in 2024, at the September Board meeting, discussions were had about the many needs and projects this aging facility is facing. Though we spent ample time discussing these items, we also spent time in prayer. One of the Board members shared this quote, "God's work done God's way, will not lack God's resources." We left that meeting with a list of action items and desired to wait on the Lord for His leading.

Later that same Saturday evening, I missed a call from someone interested in the future needs of camp. When I called him back the next day, we spoke about the first item on the action list. After a week or so, I received a call back stating a donation toward the used skid steer machine we were looking to purchase was on the way. Within a few additional weeks, God had led others to also share in that project, the need was satisfied, and the unit purchased. As I pondered how the Lord had provided, I thought of Isaiah 65:24, "Before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear."

Additionally, the second item on the action list was the need for a new bus. The 1991 International bus had served the camp since its purchase transporting campers and staff between New Jersey and camp as well as many outings. A bus committee was formed and a new bus was pursued. In October of 2024, a new Blue Bird Bus was ordered and a \$30,000 deposit was made. This left a balance due of just over \$120,000. As we began facilitating a loan with the bus manufacturer, a donor asked about current and future needs of camp. This need was shared and God chose to meet the need with a single donation of \$120,000.

The third action item was the need to replace camp's maintenance tractor which had both front loader and backhoe attachments. As Mark Fuhr and I began looking into the replacement unit, God was at work in

the funding department. As we worked out the purchase price with a local vendor, we shared the final cost with the Board of Trustees. And yes, God had provided the funds in full so the purchase could be made.

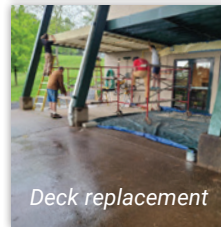
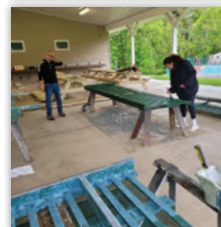
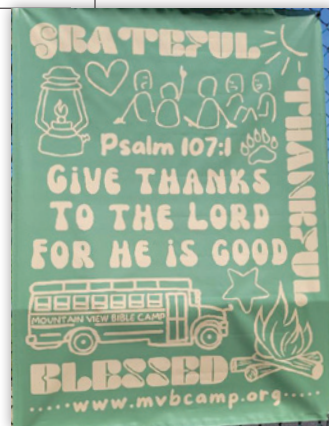
A fourth action item was the need to replace the deck boards on the main building upper porch. Materials were calculated and two work weeks were slated for May 2025. As the time drew closer to the work week dates, the materials arrived and willing workers stepped up to make it all happen. And yet again, the final project expenses were covered by generous donations both for the materials and labor. Other action items continue to be added to the list. And as the Lord provides we will follow His lead and move forward.

Sometimes I find it easier to share tangible material blessings that might seem more measurable. However, we know that there have been many non-tangible spiritual blessings taking place all year. We continue to be very thankful for every camper who attends and every staff member who serves in this ministry. Lives have been changed and discipleship has taken place. Every so often, the Lord graciously allows us to see the fruit of spiritual labor: a life changed, spiritual growth happening, and transformations taking place.

Having served at camp for the past 28 years, I am grateful, thankful and blessed. There have been years when finances were lean, camper attendance down, and staff hard to find. Every aspect of camp is dependent on the Lord and His people who give of their time, energy and finances. As we prepare for the 58th year of ministry, we continue to be reminded that "good things happen at camp" because God chooses to work and bless.

Thank you for remembering to pray for this ministry and for those who serve here full time. It remains our desire to be good stewards of all the Lord has entrusted to us, both people and property.

Jonathan Stassel, Camp Administrator



Deck replacement



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Intermediate Week 2025 Report

Intermediate Week 2025 was held from July 13 to 19. The subject for this year was *"The Power of the Lord Jesus Christ."* As in previous years, Stephen Campbell delivered the morning lessons in a way that was both understandable and engaging for this age group. The five lessons were as follows:

- Monday: His power in creation
- Tuesday: Power in His life and death
- Wednesday: Power as seen in His resurrection
- Thursday: Power to save
- Friday: Power for life and witness

This year we had 32 campers; 17 girls and 15 boys. This is the smallest number that we have had in several years. We would seek help to encourage boys and girls in your local area to attend the camp that is suited for their specific age. We would also like to reiterate a need for counselors. This year we were short female counselors. Without appropriately screened and trained counselors we cannot run these camps to their fullest potential. So please share this with others who would make good staff members and allow the required time needed to have the background checks completed in time for the targeted camp session.

One major cause for thanksgiving is the development of some young people who have passed through the camp programs and are now serving as counselors and support staff. These young men and women were a great source of encouragement and we trust this stint at camp in these roles of responsibility will also aid in their development to make valuable contributions to their local meetings.

Please continue praying for the full time staff at Mountain View Bible Camp. They need our support as they seek to serve our Lord Jesus.

Sam Headley, Director

MVBC Rates for 2026

	Discounted Rate	Regular Rate	Late Reg
Couples Weekend	\$125.00	\$150.00	\$165.00
Men's Retreat	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$105.00
Senior Weekend	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$170.00
Family Weekend Adult	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$170.00
Family Weekend Age 8-12	\$135.00	\$145.00	\$160.00
Family Weekend Age 4-7	\$120.00	\$130.00	\$145.00
Family Weekend Age 0-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jr/ Int Weekend	\$135.00	\$145.00	\$160.00
Young Adult	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$170.00
Family Week	\$470.00	\$500.00	\$515.00
Family Week Age 8-12	\$315.00	\$345.00	\$360.00
Family Week Age 4-7	\$240.00	\$270.00	\$285.00
Family Week Age 0-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

AGES 13-19 — REGISTER NOW FOR WINTER ESCAPE CAMP DECEMBER 26-30, 2025

Theme: Called by God — Hebrews 11:8
"By faith Abraham, when he was called..."

Teen-friendly schedule, great events, bowling, ice skating, skits, music, coffee house, bring your instruments, good food, loads of fun and time with friends, practical Bible teaching for Christian living

Register early on-line and save \$\$\$
www.mvbcamp.org

YOU'RE INVITED! MOUNTAIN VIEW BIBLE CAMP'S Marriage Enrichment Weekend

A WEEKEND TO ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE

JANUARY 23-25, 2026

Mountain View Bible Camp • \$250 per couple

Join us for a transformative marriage retreat designed to strengthen your relationship through biblical truth, heartfelt connection, and practical application. Whether you're newly married or have spent decades together, this weekend offers the encouragement and renewal every couple needs.

What to Expect

- Inspiring Sessions: Biblical teaching and real-life wisdom for stronger marriages.
- Interactive Workshops: Build communication, trust, and intimacy.
- Encouraging Activities: Refresh your hearts and reconnect with one another.

Registration Opens Jan. 1

- Mark your calendars and plan to reserve your spot. Space will be limited to 16 couples! Come and be refreshed as we grow together in love, grace, and faith.

Questions? Email

Tim Hadley, Jr.
tim@tcroureach.org

	Discounted Rate	Regular Rate	Late Reg
Senior Week	\$470.00	\$500.00	\$515.00
Intermediate Week	\$460.00	\$490.00	\$505.00
Junior Week	\$450.00	\$480.00	\$495.00
Ladies Weekend	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$170.00
Ladies Weekend - Sat Only	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$105.00
Winter Escape	\$335.00	\$360.00	\$375.00

Optional Family rates:

Family Weekend		\$580.00	
Family Week		\$1,850.00	

Bus fees:

Weekend (no meal stop)	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
Week (meal stop \$10)	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$55.00

Mountain View Bible Camp Credit Card Direct Giving

Please divide my gift in this way:

I would like to contribute to the General Fund \$ _____
 I would like to help needy campers (Scholarships) \$ _____
 I would like to help meet the 10% to 25% gap between fees and expenses. \$ _____
 I would like to contribute to the MAINTENANCE Fund \$ _____
 I would like to help support the full-time staff living expenses \$ _____
Total amount of charge: \$ _____

Type of card: ☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ Discover

- Please charge my card ☐ **one time** ☐ **each month**
- I would like the charge to be done on the following day of the month: ☐ 1st ☐ 15th ☐ Doesn't matter
- Please begin monthly charges on or after this date _____

Card number _____ Exp. date _____ 3 digit code on back _____

Name on card _____

Billing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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E-mail _____

Card holder's signature _____

Return this form to: Mountain View Bible Camp • Attn: Direct Giving Plan • 99 Mt. View Lane, Danville, PA 17821

Why join this plan?

1. Administrative time/costs will be reduced, enabling your gift to work faster to spread the gospel.
 2. It works automatically, so you don't have to remember to mail your check.
 3. Saves on postage cost.
- If at any time you wish to increase, decrease or suspend your giving, you can contact Mountain View Bible Camp at 570-274-6979.
 - 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.

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.

Notes:

- 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 www.mvbcamp.org.

2026 Camps

January 10	Board Meeting @ Mahwah
January 23-25	Couples Weekend
March 7	Men's Retreat, age 18+ (14+ w/adult mentor)
March 27-29	Jr/Int Weekend, age 8-13
April 17-19	Spring Family Weekend, all ages
May 16	Board Meeting @ MVBC
May 29-31	Young Adult Weekend, age 17+
June 28-July 4	Family Week
July 5-11	Senior Week, age 14-19
July 12-18	Intermediate Week, age 11-13
July 19-25	Junior Week, age 8-10
August 8-14	Missions-In-Focus
September 13	Board Meeting @ MVBC
Sept. 25-27	Ladies' Retreat, age 18+ (14+ w/adult mentor)
October 2-4	Jr/Int Weekend, age 8-13
October 16-18	Fall Senior Weekend, age 13-19
Dec. 26-30	Winter Escape, age 13-19



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

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Ladies' Retreat

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.

MVBC WishList

- Upgrade HVAC System in the Activity Center
- 9 Square in the Air – Metal Pipe

Items Received:

- Gaga Pit
- New 2026 Blue Bird Bus
- New Mahindra 5145 Tractor Loader Backhoe
- 100 New Black Metal Folding Chairs
- Archery Equipment



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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www.mvincamp.org

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