



# The Valley Voice

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## MVBC STAFF

### Pastor

Rodney Kenagy

### Interim Worship Pastor

Kyle Kormeier

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Sunday

Sunday School – 9:30 AM  
Worship Service – 10:45 AM

### Wednesday

TeamKids – Dinner 6:30 PM  
SOX – Dinner 6:30 PM  
Adult Bible Study – 7:00 PM

### A Message From Your Pastor

This month I am going to do something a little different in the newsletter. I have prayed about this and I really believe this is the way I am being led. I know that on Sunday mornings we gather as a body of believers to worship God through music and His Word. If you come to Sunday School you will be in church on average 2 ½ hours. I know we don't have 100% of everyone attending Sunday School, so for those people they are in church 1 ½ hours. There are 112 hours in a week if we take out 8 hours each day to sleep. I know there are those who do come on Wednesday Night Bible Study which is an hour, but I think you know where I am going with this.

We live in a world that isn't our home. We are just sojourners here. One day we will be called back home, but for now, we are in the world. The world is doing everything it can to distract us, to draw us away from God, to cause us to stumble, etc.... We are living 112 hours a week, spiritually battling against this world and for some people all the time they spend with God is for the 1 ½ - 2 ½ hours on Sunday. Some others can add in the hour on Wednesday nights and I know there are many of you who spend some time with Him on a daily basis. Even if you were spending an hour every day, you are spending 8-10 hours out of 112 with the Lord. You see what I am trying to get at? We are in a spiritual battle and I know God wants us to live victoriously.

Those who attend Wednesday nights will be familiar with this, but I know there are some of you who can't attend, others who teach, and others in different classes depending on your age. The material we are using is "Self-Confrontation, In-Depth Biblical Discipleship". I am going to share with you some of the principles and truths that it contains in this newsletter and make some comments on it as we go along. For those of you who are familiar with them, it doesn't hurt to hear these truths of God over and over.

My prayers for all of us are that we would have a desire to give our lives completely to God. Allow Him to be the Master of our lives and follow Him wherever He wants us to go.

I believe each of us is in a battle; those who are believers, the battle is to make you an ineffective believer, to be a poor witness, and to live a weak Christian life. For those who are lost, the battle is for your very souls.

So in the coming months be looking for some principles and truths that, if you apply them to your life, you will be changed and strengthened to fight the good fight. I'll leave you with one question this month. I want you to give it some serious thought.

In your day to day lives, are you living to please yourself or are you seeking to please God?

How would you have to answer?

Lookin' Up.  
Rodney

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### February Business Meeting

We will be having our monthly business meeting on the second Sunday of the month (2/8). A pot-luck lunch will be held PRIOR TO the meeting. Every family should bring some sort of meat and a side dish.

### Valentine's Dinner

A Valentine's Dinner for people 18 years and older will be held on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 pm at the church. All food will be provided, and childcare will also be available. Please RSVP by February 15<sup>th</sup> to Brenda Moran or Kim Hartman.

### Men's Fishing Retreat

This year's men's retreat will be held the weekend of March 21-22, on the shore of Lake Taneycomo in Branson, Missouri. If you love fishing and fellowship, guys, this is for you! Please contact John Stickley or Tom Brager by February 15<sup>th</sup> if you are interested in going. Cost is estimated to run \$100 / person, but will be finalized after we have a headcount. If that sounds a bit steep in these difficult economic times, please talk to us anyway. We want you to come, and are confident that we will have several sponsors to help.

### Small Group Bible Studies

Small groups continue to meet. If you're interested in participating in this discipleship / fellowship opportunity, please contact John Stickley.

## UPDATE FROM NICK, MARSHA, NOAH, AND LEVI



Missouri Valley Family, thank you so much for your constant prayers for us. Life in Turkey continues to be a roller coaster ride as we learn the language, look for the right work and living situation, and seek to share the Good News with the lost. Please realize that your prayers are not only coveted; they are critical. We are certain that God continues to use your prayers to bless us and our ministry in miraculous ways.

Here are just a few of your petitions on our behalf the LORD has faithfully answered...

1. Open doors for sharing the gospel and the words to do so, even with shaky Turkish skills.
2. Clarity and direction in regards to where the Lord is leading us to serve Him here in Turkey.
3. Adjustment and increasingly good behavior for Noah and Levi.
4. Noah conquering his fear of taking care of business in the big-boy potty.
5. Language and culture learning, even though progress is slower than we desire.

Life and ministry are definitely marathons here, so please press on and persevere in your partnership with us. Sometimes it may seem frustrating to hear little in the way of results, but remember that the results are up to the LORD. Let us keep partnering together for the sake of the gospel, keep planting seeds and keep praying until He answers.

If you want to see regular family updates and pictures, feel free to check out our website ([www.drakecity.com](http://www.drakecity.com)). Noah and Levi, as you can imagine, are constantly on the move and have changed a lot since we were last with you in the valley. DrakeCity is a good way to keep up with those changes. Of course, please keep us posted on how you are doing, too, and email us with any updates and prayer requests. Thanks again for everything you are doing there and here for the sake of Jesus Christ!

Working with you for Him,  
Nick, Marsha, Noah and Levi  
Acts 20:24

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

<u>Date</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Missions Offering</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
1/4	\$1,448.38	\$65.00	\$100.00
1/11	\$553.60	\$50.00	\$95.00
1/18	\$658.93	\$15.00	\$30.00
1/25	\$1,976.59	\$65.00	\$60.00

Missions offerings given in the months of January, February, March, and April go to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering to support North American missions.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Valley Food Kitchen  
Each month, Sunday School classes from MVBC serve at the Food Kitchen on Valley Street. On March 30<sup>th</sup>, K-6<sup>th</sup> Grade will serve. Keep this on your calendars!

Asher Scott Damery!  
Congratulations to Paul & Jala Damery on the birth of their son, Asher Scott. Asher was born on January 20<sup>th</sup>, and weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces. He and Jala are both doing great. Welcoming him home are big brothers Noah and Joshua!

Landan Joshua Springs!  
Congratulations to Josh & Angie Springs on the birth of their son, Landan Joshua. Landan was born January 24<sup>th</sup>, and weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces. He and Angie are both doing great! Corban is Landan's proud big brother!

Our Website  
For the latest details on MVBC happenings, be sure to check out our website, [missourivalleybaptist.com](http://missourivalleybaptist.com)!

We try to keep it as up to date as possible! If you'd like to help with it, please let John Stickley know.

Contact Information  
For Pastor Rodney

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## MEET OUR MEMBERS!

Kyle is the interim Worship Pastor at Missouri Valley. He is currently finishing his degree in Cross Cultural Ministries at Midwestern Baptist Theological College. He will graduate in May. Kyle is from Washington, MO, which is near St. Louis. He works at the Lifeway Christian Bookstore. Kyle loves his guitar and enjoys reading.



**Kyle & Chelsie Kormeier**

Chelsie is originally from Fairfax, MO. Currently, she works full time at Central Bank in Kansas City. Chelsie thrives on coffee shops and enjoys writing.

Kyle and Chelsie met at Midwestern, she was participating in the FUSION program that Kyle had completed a year earlier. They were married on October 4, 2008. They like to spend whatever time they have together enjoying each others company, eating and watching movies.

Their plans for the future are to move to Arizona after Kyle graduates to be involved in a ministry there. Chelsie plans to finish her degree in Journalism/Counseling while there. They plan to eventually put a lot of time into Missions. Both have a constant craving for serving overseas and are anxious to eventually go back. However, they realize that wherever and however the Lord chooses to move in their lives, they will submit because above all they desire to be in the center of His will.

Kyle is obsessed with super heroes, especially Batman! If he could, he would probably turn himself into a super hero! Chelsie has a weird obsession with lemons. She buys about 10 pounds a week to use them for just about everything; in case you didn't know lemons are a natural fat burner!

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

<u>Week of...</u>	<u>Nursery (S.S.)</u>	<u>Nursery (Worship)</u>	<u>Nursery (Wed.)</u>
2/8	Kim Hartman	Jeff & Brenda Moran	Mona Parsons
2/15	Mary Rogers	John & Nancy Stickley	Mary Rogers
2/22	Brenda Moran	Kim & Kirk Hartman	Dina Kenagy
3/1	Mandi Griffin	Debi F. & Volunteer	Ona Hartman
3/8	Kim Hartman	Jason & Mandi Griffin	Kim Hartman
3/15	Mary Rogers	Kenny & Ona Hartman	Brenda Moran
3/22	Brenda Moran	Ronnie & Gwen Sampson	Mona Parsons



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1 9:30a – S.S. 10:45a – Worship 6:30p – Atchison Sr. Home	2	3	4 7:00p – Bible Study 7:00p – TeamKid 7:00p – SOX Youth	5 6:30p – Janecek SG	6	7
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