



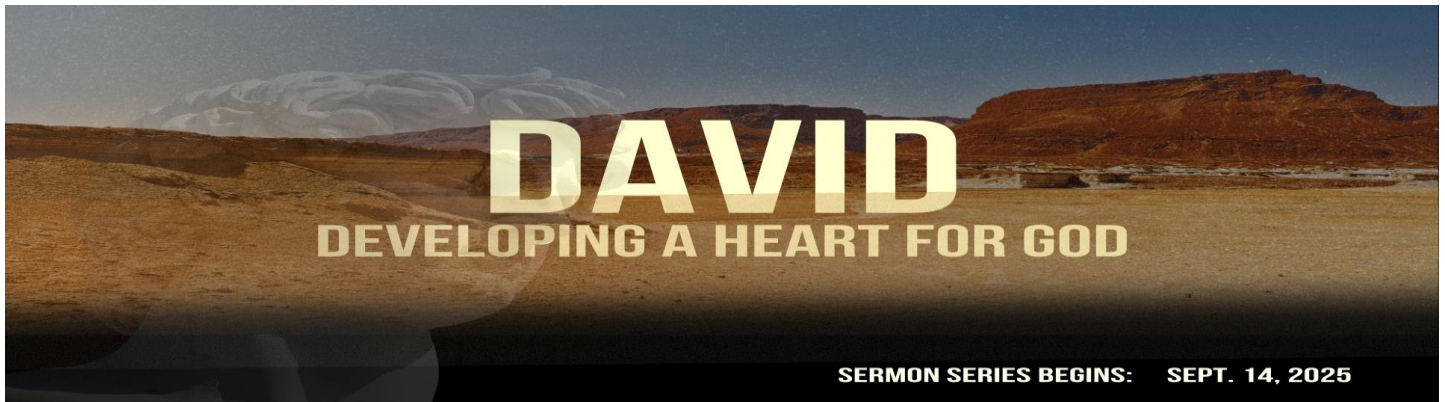
MISSION COVENANT CHURCH

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“Developing a Heart for God”

Mentioned a thousand times in the Bible, David is the biblical man for all seasons. David is the most complex and multi-sided human character in Scripture.

David was a shepherd, fugitive, politician, king, poet, musician, prophet, warrior, friend (the Jonathan story), lover, father, sinner (adulterer and murderer), penitent and “type” of Christ.

David is unique among biblical characters because we know him from both external narrative accounts of him and internally since he was a writer of lyric poems.

The role in which David is best known is that of boy hero and giant killer. When David kills Goliath he becomes an instant public hero, inspiring fictional heroes following in his wake from Beowulf to Jack of the Beanstalk.

To this day we read or hear about someone pulling off a “little David” act in sports or politics, or about a “David and Goliath” contest. David’s success in expanding the territory of Israel was unequaled in the annals of Israelite history.

David’s career as a national hero was preceded by his career as an underdog. The youngest son, belittled by his older siblings, David was considered so unlikely a candidate among Jesse’s sons to be anointed as the future king that he had to be summoned from tending the sheep after the other brothers had been passed over.

Subsequently he had a career as fugitive, fleeing from the wrathful Saul, living continuously on the edge. There is even a touch of David as rebel and desperado. Jesus cited David as a precedent for disobeying the Levitical laws based on the time David ate consecrated bread to feed his hungry men.

Then there is David the political strategist. Even after he was anointed king of Judah, David had to undertake a long process of consolidating his power until he eventually became king of the entire nation.

The moments of David’s character that render him most lifelike, however, appear less in his heroic moments than in his times of error and failure. These are the stories that are for the most part edited out of childhood Sunday school curriculum, such as the affair with Bathsheba and the taking of the national census.

One of the most noteworthy features of the David story is that it begins with heroic promise but becomes a story of crime and punishment. In his career, David becomes a classic case of one sin leading to another, as he

degenerates from adulterer to murderer. Although David responds to his sin by being the ideal penitent, his subsequent life is dominated by family discord and political troubles. David is a flawed figure in whom we see ourselves.

In the later phases of his life David emerges as a tortured parent. He suffers greatly because of his sons, yet curiously we never see him warning them about the evils of excessive ambition and sexual indulgence.

New Testament references to David present him both as an ancestor and as a type of Christ. David freed Israel from the terror of literal bondage to Goliath and the Philistines; Christ freed all people from spiritual bondage to Satan and death. David was a prophet and king; so was Christ. God established a covenant with David promising him an eternal kingdom which was ultimately Christ's kingdom.

All the Gospels identify Christ as the son of David; Matthew and Luke do so with complete genealogies. It seems difficult to consider a man with David's large-scale failures as a type of Christ, but as we are told in the scene of his early anointing:

"The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." (1 Sam 16:7).

While the Old Testament records David's many achievements and his occasional failures, the Psalms reveal David's deep understanding of God's forgiveness and the joy of reconciliation with him.

So, the figure of David is a figure of hope for each of us: no matter how deep a person descends and regardless of how tragic the circumstances of life become, something can be made of life.

The David of the Psalms, surrounded by trouble and guilt, is the very example of trusting in God. As a respected leader who gave in to sexual sin and who mismanaged child rearing, David is someone whose story is reenacted in every generation.

David stands as an example to God's grace, so that even such a person can be declared **"a man after God's own heart."**

Join us this Fall, as we begin a new sermon series entitled "Developing a Heart for God." Faith lessons from the Life of David.

In Christ,

Pastor James Walsh

Growing BIG by Going small

It's never good to do life alone. We need fellowship. We need community. We need each other.

Smaller groups, like Life Groups, strengthen the church body and help deepen relationships with God and each other. Life Groups are a chance to grow in faith, fellowship, encouragement, and love with other believers, all while doing life together. These are small groups with big impacts!

Even Jesus had a small group that he did life with.

The early church can serve as a model for how small, home-based groups can function. In Acts 2:42-47, the author talks about the fellowship of believers:

“⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”

Jesus could have used any sort of model for his ministry that he wanted. He could have chosen to only do ministry with Sunday sermons or through programs. He could have chosen a different 12 disciples each year instead of taking time to invest in one, smaller group.

It takes time and intention to invest in a small group like Life Groups. It takes vulnerability and openness to be transformed by God in an intimate setting. Life Groups is a way to add to your spiritual walk. It is not meant to replace Sunday morning worship at Mission Covenant or replace things like youth group, women's Bible studies, or men's Bible studies. Life Groups is a way to grow big by going small.

The relationships within any small group will typically reflect four main growth stages: 1) acquaintances, 2) casual friends, 3) close friends, and then becoming 4) intimate friends. We need people in our life to fall back on for encouragement in joyful and hard seasons.

Hebrews 10:23-25, *“²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”*

Are you craving a smaller, more intimate group of people in your life to do life with? Prayerfully consider joining Mission Covenant's newly launched Life Groups, and let's start growing together.

In Christ,
Pastor Sarah Risley

Announcing...
MISSION COVENANT CHURCH



Beginning this Fall Mission Covenant Church is
starting brand-new **Life** GROUPS!

These are small groups with big impacts!

Why join **Life** GROUPS? Because we were created to do **Life** together!



Interested in leading or hosting a **Life** GROUP?

Want to get started with joining a **Life** GROUP?

We can help you find a group that aligns with your interests, needs,
schedule and location.

Sign up at the Information Table or Contact Pastor Sarah Risley
sarah@missioncovenantchurch.org

This coming fall/school year we have an action-packed schedule with many exciting things happening for the youth and our church! I want to highlight a few of these opportunities! Dates can be seen on the poster below.

Fall Kickoff - For this event, we are going to bring in both Jr. and Sr. High youth for an epic night of games, crafts, worship, testimonies, and a color powder battle to cap off the night! Youth are encouraged to bring a white shirt that they can use to spray paint the youth logo and use for the color powder battle.



Baja Mission Trip - The Sr. High youth are going back to Mexico for the first time since Pastor Carey was a youth pastor! We will be going through a missions agency called Praying Pelican Missions (Hannah Peterson was a missionary through this organization). We will be looking to sign up the youth, meetings and trainings, doing fundraisers to prepare for this spring break mission trip! Please be in prayer for us as we work out the details for this trip and be in prayer about the ways you can join along with us to make this trip possible financially.

See You at the Pole - For this event, the youth will meet up around the flag pole at their school (NMS, NHS, SHS, etc...) at 7:30am to pray for their school, peers, teacher, our country, and more. I will provide donuts and hot chocolate for the youth who come to pray at NMS and NHS)

Trailblazer Blitz - This event is put on by Covenant Park for all youth in grades 4-6 for two days (one night). If your child is interested, and you are needing to line up transportation, please contact the church office as Pastor Nathan will be out of town on vacation during that event.

Fields of Faith - The Sr. High youth will have the opportunity to go to Hayward High school this fall to join with other different FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) groups to join together in prayer, listen to testimonies and do some worship. This event is free, though we will stop for food along the way and transportation will be provided! Be sure to sign up with Jennifer Vik/FCA.

Fall Fundraiser - Covenant Park Bible Camp has 3 major things happening this fall at our fundraiser at Salem Covenant Church on Sunday, November 1st at 5pm. First of all, we are working on finishing up this first stage of fundraising to bolster up the dining hall (which will later be winterized and turned into a year-round facility). There has been a tremendous outpouring of support so far with over \$180,000 that has come in and we need \$122,000

more to hit our goal for this first phase of the project. We would love to have you come to camp to help support this project. There will be a silent auction as well as a time of giving for that project. The second thing is that we will be Celebrating Kaela Stano's 10 years of serving camp as the director! Lastly, we will be officially welcoming in our new camp director, Steven Osborne, who was formerly the Lead Pastor of Salem Covenant Church. This will be a great opportunity for you to give thanks to Kaela as well as meeting Steven and celebrating God's faithfulness to camp!

Worship Night - Both Jr. High and Sr. High will have the opportunity to gather at youth group for a night of worship and prayer as well as testimonies. This event has been deeply impactful over the years and so if your son or daughter wants to join, the event will happen at the same time as normal youth group.

Hunter's Expo - This year we are working towards a great family fun event that will showcase some of the best local deer mounts, vendors, fun activities for the children, prizes, amazing food, and more! Bring your friends and family out to this great community event!

Christmas Party - We will have a white elephant gift exchange again this year for the youth. Parents, make sure to send a gift with your son or daughter...and remember, this could be a fun gift, or it could be a gag gift! Just make sure to keep it cheap, \$10 or less!

 2025 FALL SCHEDULE 		
27	AUG	DRAFT NIGHT - FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE 6PM
10	SEP	FALL KICKOFF 6-8:15PM
24	SEP	SEE YOU AT THE POLE 7:30AM
17-18	OCT	TRAILBLAZER FALL BLITZ COVENANT PARK BIBLE CAMP
22	OCT	FIELDS OF FAITH 7:00PM
12	NOV	WORSHIP NIGHT 3:30 JR HIGH - 6:15 SR. HIGH
19	NOV	HUNTER'S EXPO - NO YOUTH GROUP 5-8PM
26	NOV	THANKSGIVING BREAK NO YOUTH GROUP
17	DEC	CHRISTMAS PARTY 3:30 JR HIGH - 6:15 SR. HIGH
24	DEC	CHRISTMAS BREAK - NO YOUTH GROUP
31	DEC	CHRISTMAS BREAK - NO YOUTH GROUP
For more info : Contact Pastor Nathan 715-815-0575		

Weekly Youth Group - We have some amazing plans coming together for this fall with our weekly Vertical and Elevate youth ministry!

Our theme this year is called, "Sculpture" which illustrates the work Jesus does in our life when we surrender to him. As the artists carefully and skillfully forms a piece of stone into a masterpiece, so is the Holy Spirit at work in us refining our lives into a beautiful masterpiece. We will have numerous testimonies being shared this year, times of small groups for the youth to discuss the scriptures, and lots of fun and games to keep the youth pumped up and food to keep their bellies full! Hope your children/grandchildren and their friends can make it this year! It is going to be a good one!

Pastor Nathan Nelson



MISSION KIDZ!

**Partnering with families
to help children discover Jesus
and learn how to live for Him**

September

**Preschool-Creation and The Garden
Elementary-Wisdom from God**

October

**Preschool-From the Flood to the Exodus
Elementary-Be Wise in How You Live**

November

**Preschool-Entering the Promised Land
Elementary-The Holy Spirit, Tithing, and
Consequences**

**Please be in prayer for our Mission
Kidz volunteers. Pray that God will
use them mightily for His Kingdom!**



**If you have kids that will
be attending Mission Kidz
this school year and don't
have a KidCheck account,
stop by the Mission Kidz
Check-In Desk to pick up
an Information Sheet.**

PARENTS:

*Please update on the
KidCheck app the
Mission Kidz class your
child is attending this
school year!*

Our children are collecting an
offering to support our World
Vision Sponsored child from
Nicaragua, Itza Mercado.

Yearly Goal: \$500

Offering total
so far for this year: \$375



Mission Kidz is a ministry for children 6 weeks through 4th grade. For parent's convenience, video of the services is livestreamed into the Mom's Room, located in a separate room in the nursery. Nursery (Ages 6 weeks-36 months), Preschool (3 & 4-year olds), and Elementary (5-year-old through 4th Grade) kids can be dropped off in Mission Kidz up to 10 minutes prior to the service time. If you have any questions or would like to serve in this important ministry, please see Cindy Nelson, Michelle Kephart, or Kris Westerlund.

****Check out our Mission Kidz Facebook page!****

Coming Soon!

***Fall KickOff
*Operation
Christmas Child
*Christmas Program
Signups**

WEEKLY MINISTRY @MISSION COVENANT

ADULTS

MENS SMALL GROUP

Authentic Manhood is a men's small group meeting
Sundays Mornings @ 10:15 a.m.
Rooms 12/13

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Women of all ages are invited to Morning Break Bible Study
A time to come together, explore God's Word, and encourage one another.

Tuesday mornings
from 9:30-11:15 a.m RM 12/13

MENS BIBLE STUDY

All men are invited to join us for an hour of Bible study and Christ-centered fellowship.

Wednesday mornings from 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

ALL ADULTS

Come play PICKLEBALL. We have the equipment, so come join the fun and bring a friend!

Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Multi-Ministry Center.

YOUNG ADULTS

Our Crossroads ministry is for high school graduates to age 28.
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. at Pastor Sam's House.

YOUTH

CONFIRMATION (5th & 6th)

Two years of Bible learning through the Old and New Testaments

Sundays @ 10:30-11:30 a.m. or
Wednesdays @ 3:30-5:00 p.m.

YOUTH GROUP

A space where youth can build relationships with others and with God by studying God's Word, building community, and having crazy amounts of fun!

Wednesdays:

Elevate (Grades 6-8)

@ 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Vertical (Grades 9-12)

@ 6:15-8:15 p.m.

MISSION KIDZ

Birth to 4th grade

Join us at 9:00 or 10:30 a.m.

September

Thank you to the people who volunteered at the food shelf on August 16. We served over 50 families.

Another thank you for those who participated and provided pies for the annual pie social. This important fundraiser brought in over \$2,200 for the food shelf. We served around 300 people!



Confirmation

Wednesday, September 3:
Parent Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 10:
Confirmation Starts @ 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 14:
Confirmation Starts @ 10:30 a.m.

Church Directory

The Church Office will be printing limited hard copies of the Church Directory. Directories will be at the Information Table on Sunday, September 14.

Please make sure all of your personal information is up-to-date and the picture you have is current before September 10.

www.instantchurchdirectory.com

Meals of Love

Help Wanted, Meal Train Coordinator! Our established Meals of Love Ministry needs someone to organize, connect and communicate meal needs for individuals and families within the church body. If you have a gift of coordination and a heart to serve in this ministry, contact the church office.

Join us for a BABY SHOWER

Celebrating mommy-to-be

Breanna

Saturday, September 27 @ 10:00 a.m.

At Mission Covenant Church
5161 S County Rd P Poplar, WI

RSVP 715-364-2738

Breanna Moyer's Baby Registry

<https://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/breanna-moyer-november-2025-southerange/3OITNU4S50078>



Skip the card and bring a baby book instead.
Baby will treasure your words as they're read!



ALL CHURCH FALL

Kick-Off Picnic

PLEASE BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

ONE SERVICE 10:30 A.M. - MMC

33 THE SERIES AUTHENTIC MANHOOD

Practical insights ■ Biblical principles

NEW 6-week series begins September 14
Sundays at 10:15am @ MMC Room 12/13
Wednesdays at 7pm (in homes)

A Man and His Marriage

This six-session study covers important but often misunderstood details about marriage and concludes with specific, practical ideas that can help you bring new life to your marriage.

For more information contact:
Ryan Burkart, Bob Coleman, Tim Schulz, or Vince Hursh

NWAAuthenticManhood.com

A JOURNEY ON THE BASIC FOUNDATIONS TO DEFINE MANHOOD AND PROVIDE
A VISION FOR HIS ROLE AS A MAN, HUSBAND, & FATHER.

Women Ministries: Morning Break Bible Study JESUS: KING OF MY LIFE

A 10-week study from the Gospel of Matthew

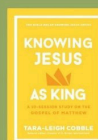
Breakfast Kick-off and Study
Tuesday, September 16, 9:30 a.m.

We invite you to join us for a Bible study through the Gospel of Matthew as we discover Jesus as King and what that means in our lives. Together we will explore His life, teachings, and the hope He offers, while growing in faith and fellowship with each other. Come and be encouraged as we open God's Word and seek to know our King more deeply.

CHILD CARE PROVIDED

TEACHERS: Marcia Jamison & Michelle Thompson
SIGN-UP AT THE INFORMATION TABLE

Mission Covenant Church | Poplar, WI | 715-364-2738



As we study through the Gospel of Matthew, we suggest the study guide by Tara-Leigh Cobble, *Knowing Jesus As King*, as a resource to deepen understanding.

Discounted Cost is \$10.

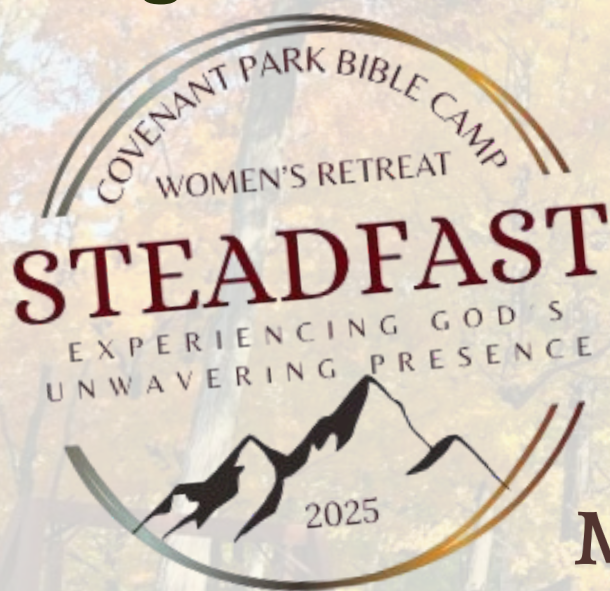
Women's Fall Retreat

Where friend meets friend, and both meet God!

**JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND AWAY AT
COVENANT PARK BIBLE CAMP**

SEPTEMBER 12-14, 2025

Register at covenantpark.org/events



Coffee Bar
Silent Auction
Climbing Wall
Zip Line

Make 'n' Take's & More!



SPEAKER: BETHANY GANT
WORSHIP LEADER: PASTOR SARAH RISLEY

Covenant Park Bible Camp | 3402 Covenant Park Rd. | Mahtowa, MN
office@covenantpark.org | 218-389-6398

OCTOBER

Happenings

Women Ministry Bake Sale

Sunday morning, October 12

Many home baked items by people in our church will be for sale including Marion Bradley's pasties.

Proceeds from the bake sale will help fund the cost of the Women's Christmas Luncheon on December 6, 2025.

A sign-up sheet will be on the Information Table for anyone who would like to donate baked goods.

Please contact Pastor Sarah or Breanna Moyer for more information or questions

Operation Christmas Child



We will begin collecting our boxes on Sunday, October 12, with a goal of 125 boxes! Every gift-filled shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship – transforming the lives of children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus Christ!

Everyone is encouraged to participate!

Go to www.samaritanaspurse.org/occ for more details.



“Your Change, Changes Lives! To help bring awareness to Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month, Mission Covenant Church is participating in a baby bottle fundraiser for the month of October. All proceeds will support The Lake Superior Life Care Center in Superior, Wisconsin. Take an empty baby bottle, found at the Welcome Table, and fill it with spare change throughout the month of October. Return bottles by November 1st to the church office or to Pastor Sarah.”

Join us for an **Open House Wedding Reception** in honor of Jake and Laryssa (Vik) Needham. Please join us for refreshments on Friday, Oct. 3 from 4-7 p.m. at Mission Covenant Church.



Good News Club

Good News Club begins Wednesday, October 8 after school. Pick up your children at 5:00 p.m. Permission Slips are at the Information Table. A second permission note is needed for the NES office and your child's teacher letting them know your child will be attending every Wednesday.

Please contact Jennifer Vik at 218-340-9059 with any questions.



Mission 101 Classes

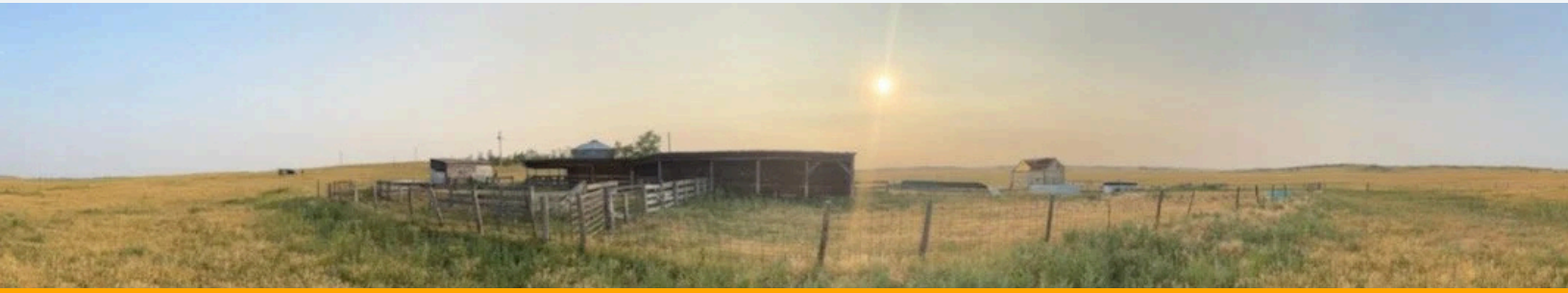
Mission 101: Discovering Your Church
Wed., October 8 @ 6:30 p.m.
Please sign-up at the Information Table



Quarterly Membership Meeting

Quarterly Membership Meeting
Sunday, October 26, @ 6:00 p.m.





FUNDRAISER FOR NAOMI HOUSE

Trent Hinkel from our church has hand crafted the pictured wood pieces with the purpose of selling and supporting the Naomi House, a safe haven for children in need.

Look for a display table in the Fellowship Hall coming soon. If you have questions please contact Trent at upnorthrusticwoodworks@gmail.com



November



Happenings

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 2.

Don't forget to fall back!



WORSHIP TEAM NIGHT

Sunday, November 16

5:30-7:30 p.m.



Everybody associated with the worship ministry team is invited for a special dinner, devo and fellowship time. We would also like to extend an invitation to those of you who have been thinking about joining the worship team or A/V team.

RSVP with Pastor Sam Moyer.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Christmas Child shoeboxes are due Sunday, November 23. Mission Kidz has a goal of 125 boxes collected by our church family! Everyone is encouraged to participate!

Go to samaritanspurse.org/occ for more details.

HUNTER'S EXPO

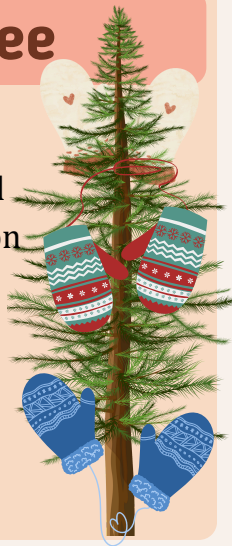


Join us for the 28th annual Hunter's Expo on Wednesday, November 19 from 5-9 p.m.

S.A.M. Mitten Tree

The Senior Adult Ministry will once again host a mitten tree for the local Head Start. That last day of collection will be Sunday, December 7.

When you see the tree in the Fellowship Hall, it's time to bring in the mittens!



Thanksgiving Service & Pie Social

Join us on Tuesday, November 25 @7:00 p.m. for our Thanksgiving Service & Pie Social to follow. Officiant: Pastor James Walsh



Please bring a pie to share,
Ice Cream & Cool Whip provided



LOOKING AHEAD

- Women's Christmas Luncheon: Saturday, December 6 @11:30 a.m. **"That Glimmer of Hope"** Speaker: Lorraine Green. Tickets on sale November 2.
- SAM Christmas Luncheon: Thursday, Dec. 11
- Children's Christmas Program: Sunday, Dec. 14



28TH ANNUAL



HUNTER'S EXPO

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 // 5-8PM
MISSION COVENANT CHURCH



VENDORS

**PHOTOGRAPHY
CONTEST**

**FAMILY FRIENDLY
GAMES**

AND MORE!

**TROPHY MOUNT
DISPLAY**

PRIZES

**KIDS ART
CONTEST**

**TOO MUCH
BBQ**

FOR MORE DETAILS - GO TO MISSIONCOVENANTCHURCH.ORG/HUNTER-S-EXPO

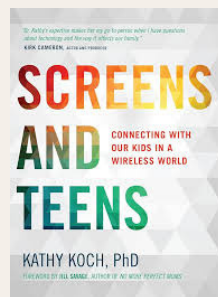
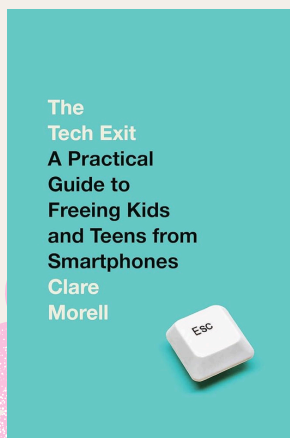


LIBRARY NEWS



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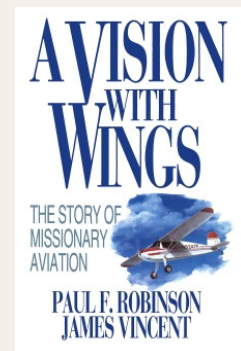
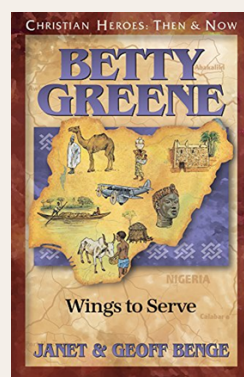
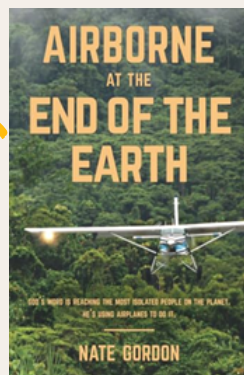
<https://wng.org/podcasts/the-tech-exit-1755288004> is a link to an interview World magazine did with the author of Tech Exit. The author, Clare Morell, wrote this when she couldn't find a book already written about this potential minefield. It's not in our library, but worth exploring, especially in our times when social media has an outsize influence. And unfortunately, dangerous people can be undercover on the internet.



Mission Aviation Books

New in our library:

- Airborne at the End of the Earth is told by former JAARS pilot Nate Gordon. He describes the challenges of flying into narrow mountain valleys in Papua, Indonesia. Filled with adventure and humor, he describes how mission aviation "provide isolated people groups their only access to education, healthcare, markets....and the community-transforming gospel of Jesus Christ."
- Betty Greene tells the story of a girl that wanted to fly and serve God. She ended up becoming a WASP in WW II, then helped found Missionary Aviation Fellowship. She was the first woman to fly over the Andes mountain range in South America!
- "Take off with the pioneers in missionary aviation and learn about the vision and impact of fifty years of flying around the world."



Kids Section

Looking for some chapter books for younger kids grades 1 to 4 or so? Three Cousins Detective Club/ Beatitude Mysteries, Action Readers, and the Cul-de-Sac Kids are early chapter books series written in a more innocent era.



Before you buy - Check our library Scan QR CODE

September-November Ministry Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	September 1 Labor Day Office Closed	2 6:00 p.m. Crossroads	3 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Parent Meeting	4 6 p.m. Worship Practice	5	6
7 Moment for Missions 9 a.m. Mission Kidz Training Meeting 10:30 am One Service MMC Fall KICK- OFF PICNIC	8 7:00 p.m. Council	9 6:00 p.m. Crossroads	10 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 3:30 p.m. Confirmation 6 p.m. Youth Group Kick-off	11 6 p.m. Worship Practice	12 Women's Retreat	13 Women's Retreat
14 Communion 9 a.m. Mission Kidz 9 a.m. Contemporary 10:30 a.m. Traditional 10:30 a.m. Confirmation	15 6:30 p.m. Elder Board	16 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Crossroads	17 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 3:30 p.m. Confirmation 3:30 p.m. Youth Group 6:15 p.m. Youth Group	18 6 p.m. Worship Practice	19	20
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23 Christmas Shoebox End 9 a.m. Mission Kidz 9 a.m. Contemporary 10:30 a.m. Traditional	24	25 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Service 8 p.m. Pie Social	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving	28	29
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BAJA

MISSION TRIP

2026 SPRING BREAK

DATES - SPRING BREAK - TBD

LOCATION - BAJA, MEXICO

GRADES - 9-12TH

AGENCY - PRAYING PELICAN MISSIONS

COST - \$1,000 +/-

**DEADLINES - REGISTRATION AND DOWNPAYMENT
DUE (\$100) BY OCT 1, 2025**

INFO MEETING - SUNDAY, SEPT 14 @MCC 11:45AM

TRAINING MEETINGS - TBD

FUNDRAISERS - TBD





SEPTEMBER 2025

CPBC NEWS

WHERE FRIEND MEETS FRIEND AND
BOTH MEET GOD

Covenant Park Bible Camp

FALL

Fundraiser

DINNER

November 1, 2025 | 5-8PM
Salem Covenant Church

LEARN MORE AT [COVENANTPARK.ORG/EVENTS](https://covenantpark.org/events)

Join us to partner together for continued ministry at Covenant Park and celebrate how friend meets friend and both meet God.

Offering from the event will support the completion of the Dining Hall Foundation Project. Learn more about this project and its significance for ministry or give online at covenantpark.org/give.

If you would like to donate a silent auction item please contact the camp office. Items can be quality homemade goods, new items, baskets, gift cards.

Find details and RSVP at covenantpark.org/events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

REGISTRATION AND DETAILS AT
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**WE WANT TO THANK
YOU FOR YOUR
FAITHFUL PRAYERS AND
DEVOTION
THROUGHOUT OUR
SEARCH PROCESS FOR
A NEW CAMP DIRECTOR
AT COVENANT PARK
BIBLE CAMP. AS A
BOARD, WE HAVE BEEN
IN PRAYER, SEEKING
GOD'S GUIDANCE AND
DIRECTION
THROUGHOUT THIS
PROCESS, AND WE ARE
EXCITED TO SHARE
THAT THE CALL HAS
BEEN EXTENDED TO
STEVEN OSBORNE, AND
HE HAS JOYFULLY
ACCEPTED THE
POSITION!**

STEVE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SOUTH AFRICA, WHERE HE BEGAN HIS PASTORAL MINISTRY. GOD LATER CALLED HIM TO SERVE IN THE UNITED STATES, AND FOR THE PAST 17 YEARS HE HAS MINISTERED AT SALEM COVENANT CHURCH AS BOTH YOUTH PASTOR AND LEAD PASTOR. ALTOGETHER, STEVE HAS FAITHFULLY SERVED IN PASTORAL MINISTRY FOR 29 YEARS. BEYOND HIS PASTORAL MINISTRY, HE HAS BEEN DEEPLY CONNECTED TO COVENANT PARK—SERVING ON THE CAMP BOARD, SPEAKING AT VARIOUS CAMPS, AND CONTRIBUTING THROUGH THE LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION, WHICH PROVIDES OVERSIGHT TO THE CAMP.

STEVE IS WIDELY RECOGNIZED AS A VISIONARY LEADER WITH EXCEPTIONAL MINISTRY WISDOM AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS, AND WE ARE EXCITED FOR HIM TO OFFICIALLY BEGIN IN JANUARY 2026. TO ENSURE A SMOOTH TRANSITION, KAELA STANO WILL REMAIN ON STAFF THROUGH MARCH, PROVIDING TIME FOR HER AND STEVE TO WORK SIDE BY SIDE AND PASS ALONG THE NECESSARY INFORMATION FOR A HEALTHY AND EFFECTIVE HANDOFF.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR PRAYERS, SUPPORT, AND PARTNERSHIP IN MINISTRY. WE ARE FILLED WITH GRATITUDE AND ANTICIPATION FOR WHAT GOD HAS IN STORE FOR COVENANT PARK BIBLE CAMP IN THIS NEXT SEASON.

**IN CHRIST'S SERVICE,
THE CPBC BOARD**

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Camps this month: Women's Retreat, Guest Groups.
- Continued fundraising for Dining Hall Renovation.
- Camp leadership in this season of many transitions.

September

Sandra	Miller	September 1
Caitlin	Bukovitz	September 3
Shirley	Deterling	September 4
Lisa	Crosby	September 6
Cindy	Nelson	September 7
Marie	Tenney	September 7
Bob	Vanark	September 9
Donna Mae	Budnick	September 12
Jan	Bustrak	September 12
Shelley	Peterson	September 12
Talia	Martens	September 13
Jim	Gregory	September 14
Peggy	Kman	September 14
Darrell	Anderson	September 16
Mark	Hoefling	September 16
Renee	Spangler	September 18
Lily	Wisted	September 19
Vince	Hursh	September 21
Matson	Holbrook	September 22
Finley	Nelson	September 22
Shelaine	Puttonen	September 22
David	Allen	September 23
Don	Anderson	September 25
Gage	Nollet	September 25
Courtney	Johnson	September 26
Jessica	Tenney	September 27
Stephen	Gant	September 28
Sara	Orme	September 28
Alice	Csomos	September 29
Aaron	Gergen	September 29
Sarah	Holsclaw	September 29,
Preston	Van Aernum	September 29
Tom	Greene	September 30
Jenna	Hursh	September 30
Darren	Peterson	September 30
Annalee	Sutherland	September 30

Nala	Hudacek
Burhans	Polkoski
Hannah	Polkoski
Lydia	Polkoski
Hailea	Weiss
Rodger	Ahlberg
Brenda	Vanark
Boden	Teal
Renee	Hudacek
Allen	Nagel
Nicole	Nelson
Barb	Resheske
Shane	Spangler
Marisol	Greene
Justin	Bukovitz
Dena	Olson
Colin	Trautt
Mikey	Stroede
John	Van Guilder
Andrene	Johnson
Leah	Lubbers
Jacob	Kephart
Ronald	Kroll
Owen	Raunio
Donna	Goetsch
Kloe	Risley
Roger	Teal
Nathan	Greatsinger
Richard	Johnson
Sam	Liebaert
Stephen	Westerlund
Judi	Anderson
Tami	Little
Reece	Risley
Jeremiah	Glonek
Gretchen	Sorensen
Karen	Coleman
Linda	Hardy
Tim	Martens
Paul	Raunio
Aimee	Glonek
Keith	Jardine
Eric	Trautt
Dan	Kephart
Janice	Bergsten
Madelyn	Nelson
George	Petzold
Katy	Hursh
Bert	Hursh
Dennis	Paulson
Lauren	Wiita
Trevor	Peterson

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November

Hanna	Coleman	November 1
Brenda	Gergen	November 1
Lillian	Westerlund	November 3
Aimee	Sutherland	November 4
Micaiah	Wolden	November 4
Pat	Hursh	November 5
Kathleen	McCarson	November 6
Larry	Williams	November 6
Rosa	Greene	November 7
Hudson	Landwehr	November 7
Dr. Joe	Richards	November 7
Isaiah	Ahlberg	November 10
Breanna	Moyer	November 10
Talia	Trebilcock	November 10
Senia	Trebilcock	November 10
Gunner	Nollet	November 11
Carolyn	Anderson	November 12
Kaia	Orme	November 13
Gabriella	Risley	November 13
Pearl	Swanstrom	November 13
Jack	Greatsinger	November 14
Terry	Petzold	November 16
Bryan	Gill	November 17
Morgan	Martens	November 17
Toini	Raunio	November 18
Carmyn	Thompson	November 18
Ruth	Crozier	November 19
Rick	Lubbers	November 19
Auron	Risley	November 21
Nancy	Smith	November 21
Ernest	Newman	November 22
Eliana	Hildreth	November 23
Samuel	Risley	November 23
Peggy	Golly	November 24
Jorde	Glonek	November 25
John	Johnson	November 26
Mary	Risley	November 26
Wendy	Stauty	November 26
Bonnie	Koepp	November 28
Jennifer	Kroll	November 28
Caleb	Thompson	November 28
James	Tenney	November 30

Happy

Birthday

October

Dale & Janet	Dalbec	September 1
Chad & Stephanie	Trebilcock	September 4
Ernst & Tyra	Newman	September 5
Richard & Cindy	Trebilcock	September 6
Bruce & Jodi	Jersett	September 7
Brad & Mara	Bourassa	September 8
Mike & Kendie	Stroede	September 9
Dan & Cam	Diamon	September 12
Michael & Elisha	Johnson	September 13
Andy & Sarah	Holsclaw	September 14
Wade & Miranda	Hill	September 15
Byron & Mandi	Nollet	September 16
John & Dena	Olson	September 18
Shane & Renee	Spangler	September 18
Brian & Jan	Bustrak	September 25
Jeff & Deb	Rusboldt	September 27

*Happy
Anniversary*

Dennis & Nancy	Paulson	October 1
David & Nancy	Allen	October 2
Jared & Jessamyn	Gehl	October 4
John & Shelley	Johnson	October 6
Robert & Sue	Berggren	October 9
Matson & Deborah	Holbrook	October 9
Randy & Deb	Martin	October 16
Allen & Dorothy	Nagel	October 16
Sam & Breanna	Moyer	October 21
Luke & Jane	Eastep	October 25
Eric & Nicole	Trautt	October 26
Bob & Brenda	Vanark	October 30

Robert & Andrene	Johnson	November 8
Todd & Michelle	Monson	November 10
Justin & Caitlin	Bukovitz	November 13
Josh & Hanna	Coleman	November 17
Timothy & Barbara	Volkmoth	November 25

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please let the church office know.

