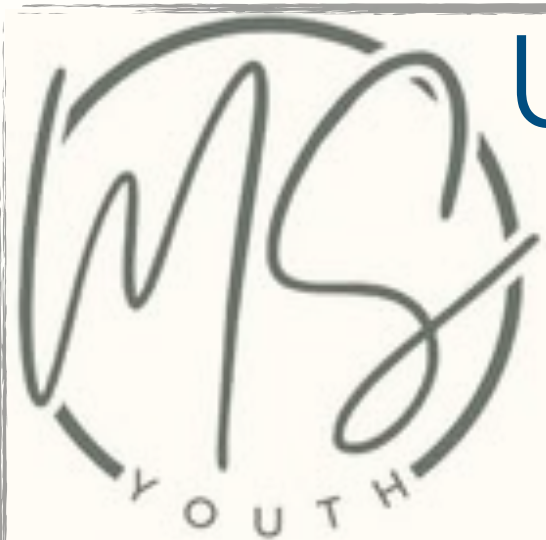




Upcoming Events

Family Camp - Sept. 4th-7th

Devo/Activity - Sunday, Sept. 13th

Fall Retreat - Oct. 2nd-4th

**Join the WhatsApp MSY News and Events group
for details and to stay informed!**

CIRCLE THE SCHOOL YEAR PRAYER CHALLENGE

We are committing to praying for all of our school aged children every day this year for the entire school year. Every child has an adult in this church praying for them daily! Look for ways to connect with each other over the school year! This is a great way to be praying and encouraging one another in an intergenerational way!

WEEKLY BIRTHDAYS

9/2 Dylan Talamantes
Lanell Taylor
9/3 Emily Martinez
Jordy Anyanonu
Macarena Blevins
9/5 Ashlyn Surran
Quentin Pace
9/6 Barry Stout
Dawn Schrader

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL MENU

9/2 - **SALUSTRI**: Pasta &
Meatballs
9/9 - **SAMUELS**: Taco Bar
9/16 - **AVAILABLE**
9/23 - **AVAILABLE**

The Mountainside Messenger

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August 30th, 2026

GOOD MORNING!

Welcome to the Mountainside Church of Christ and our worship services this morning! If you are visiting with us, please know that we are delighted that you are here! We encourage you to join us in our worship and invite you to return!

Next weekend is **Family Camp Weekend**! The camp will run from Friday evening (September 4) to Monday morning (September 7). The time will include food, fun, fellowship, and spiritual growth! Be sure to register today! We will have a worship service here at Mountainside next Sunday for those who do not attend the Family Camp. The **one worship service will be at 9:30AM.**

Last week, I wandered downstairs and heard all kinds of laughter coming from the Children's wing of the building. I knew we had no school activity scheduled, so I decided to see what was going on. What I found was **Joan Colwell** and her willing and able puppet crew working on their next lesson and having fun in the process. I appreciate the work these good people do in **The Puppet Ministry**. The children not only learn great lessons, they enjoy watching the puppets.

Last Wednesday, our internet connection at the building went down. You never realize how much you depend on an internet connection until it is gone. Thanks to **Steven Samuels** for hunting down the problem and fixing it for us.

Have A Great Week in the Lord! And enjoy Family Camp!

Alan

ELDERS

Bryan
Armstrong

Doug
Brown

Lance
Darnell

Wes Herron

Alan Taylor

MINISTERS

Alan Taylor

Garrett
Schmille

***Gluten-free communion**

bread is
located on top
of the desk at
the back of the
auditorium by
the computer/
sound system.
Please pick up
a packet of that
before being
seated.

WEEKLY BUDGET:
\$16,737.12
CONTRIBUTION
for Aug. 23, 2026:
\$13,236.84

BIBLE CLASSES: SUMMER/FALL 2026

SUNDAY MORNING

AUDITORIUM CLASS - 1 Corinthians
CAFÉ CLASS(GYM) - Galatians "Why God Accepts Us"
ADULT CLASS (LADIES CLASSROOM) - "Tell Me The Truth"
YOUNG ADULT CLASS (RM. 205/207) - Philippians

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

AUDITORIUM CLASS - Joshua
LARRY LAWRENCE (RM. 205/207) - TOPICAL STUDY: Work of the Holy Spirit
ADULTS (206/208) - "Great Men of the Old Testament"
LADIES CLASS - "Take Every Thought Captive" - Teachings by a Neurosurgeon

TUESDAY LADIES CLASS 10AM - "The Book of James" - Francis Chan, RightNow Media

SCRIPTURE THOUGHTS

John 14:15, 21, 23

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. Whoever has my commandment and keeps them, he it is who loves me. If anyone loves me, he keeps my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home in him.

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” (John 14:15)
Three times in this short conversation with His disciples Jesus asked His followers to keep His commandments (John 14:15, 21, 23). And in every instance, He connected obedience to Him with love for Him.

We do not obey Jesus because we are afraid of Him. We do not obey Jesus in order to make ourselves worthy of His attention. We do not obey Jesus hoping that our obedience will make us acceptable to Him.

We obey Jesus because He loves us. He left the glory of heaven to live among us and to show us the Father (John 1:18). He left heaven to become a servant and to give His life as a ransom for many (Mark 10:45). He openly declared that “as the Father has loved me, so have I loved you” (John 15:9).

It is imperative that we obey the Lord. But that obedience is not a burden; rather, it is a demonstration of our love for Him. “We love because he first loved us” (1 John 4:19).

PRAYERS FOR CONTINUED HEALTH & SAFETY CONCERNS: Lane Roberts; Ronnie Chavez’s son **Rumaldo** and cousin **Rosalie**; Lorraine Lewis, **Dorothy Griffin**; Lita Diaz’s brother **Hank**; **Roman Halamicek**; **David Abraham**; Lane Roberts; Dawn Schrader; **Don Davis**, brother of Tom Davis; **Ella Rose Williams**, sister of Glenda Davis; **Delia Silva**, mother of Rosemary Maguire; **Ronnie Chavez**; **Dennis Dresbach**; **Stan Samuels**, Steven Samuels father; **Glennys Elliott**; **Paula Coch**; **Curley Hall**; **Joletha Sturdy**, Johanna Halamicek’s mother; **Aleasha Decker**; **Lin and Jackie Decker**; all of **OUR SENIOR SAINTS!**

PRAYERS

SYMPATHY: We would like to express our sympathy to **Rob Robertson** as his mother passed away this week after a long illness. Please keep Rob and his expended family in your prayers.

Please be in prayer for *Dean Wadsworth's* nephew **Jonathan, his wife Whitney, and their family**. Jonathan and Whitney are a teacher and nurse in Nepal, and though they are safe from the flash floods, Whitney is going to the front lines to help with rescue efforts. She is asking for prayers for safety, wisdom, and steady hands as she helps. She is also asking for prayers for her husband and five children as they will not be able to communicate with her simply due to the lack of access to power to charge her phone. Hundreds are dead and thousands are missing after the flash floods and mudslides in the area. Pray for all the people who are affected, all of the first responders and rescue workers, and for God's people as they minister in the area and through their prayers from a distance.

Continue to pray for **Dee Stone** and the results of her biopsy. The biopsy will be done on September 11th.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BABY SHOWER TABLES have been set up in the church foyer! **Beth Darnell** and **Briana Vernon** are both expecting baby BOYS in September! Both families are in need of diapers and wipes; however Beth and Matt are also registered at Target and Amazon; check for the links in the emailed Mountainside Messenger. Let's help these families celebrate their new little ones!

Albuquerque Christian School is looking to **hire part time afternoon childcare workers** for the PreK department. They must be 18 years old or older. Contact Angela Decker for more information.

GRIEF SHARE MINISTRY will begin a 13-Week Grief Recovery Program on **Thursday, September 10th**, and will continue through Thursday, December 3rd. The group will meet each **Thursday evening from 6-8PM** at Mountainside. If you or someone you know has experienced the loss of a loved one, we are here

to help. For information visit www.griefshare.org or contact Roger or Julia Holloman at 505-515-1632. There is no cost to attend, and all materials are provided. To register visit find.griefshare.org

There will be a **BABY SHOWER** for **Ashley (Howell) McCall** on **Saturday, September 12th at 2PM** in the gym. Ashley and Brayden are registered at Target and Amazon (links in the emailed bulletin). They are expecting a boy later this fall.

BLING BOX reminder: We are deeply grateful for your support which continues to help Albuquerque Leadership Foundation (ALF) strengthen families --- spiritually, physically, mentally, and economically in the International District. Therefore, the last date for Bling Box donations will be **Sunday September 13th**. So if you've put off cleaning out your closet for jewelry, scarves, and hats, the time to do it is now. Thanks to everyone who has already donated.

A **YOUNG ADULT RETREAT** at Ponderosa Christian Camp is **September 18th-20th**, hosted by Montgomery Church of Christ. The theme is “Character and Unity-How God calls us to live out His Kingdom” Ephesians 4-5. Contact Montgomery for more info.

There is a **LADIES RETREAT** on **September 18th-19th**, sponsored by Netherwood Park Church of Christ. Make plans now to join them for this inspiring weekend of faith, fellowship, and encouragement. Cost is \$25 for the weekend and includes snacks, Friday night, a goodie bag with gifts, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. If you would like a Retreat T-shirt, the cost is \$20. You will have your choice of two colors and your size. We look forward to fellowshiping with you! Register at: <https://form.typeform.com/to/IQcsAlmc>

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE CLASS, your calendar for a guest speaker! On Tuesday, September 22, we will be welcoming **Dr. Joyce Hardin** from Austin, Texas.