

# Sunday Worship Services at 9am

In-Person in the Sanctuary, Live Online

(YouTube, Facebook, reedleymbc.org)

On Demand after 1pm on Monday

## Children's Church

Ages 3 through Kindergarten

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## Kingdom Kids

1st Grade - 3rd Grade

Fellowship on the Green at 10:20am

Adult and Children's Classes at 10:40am

## REEDLEY MENNONITE BRETHERN CHURCH

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SCAN TO CONNECT WITH US ON  
OUR DIGITAL FRIENDSHIP FORM  
WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!



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Christmas  
in  
Isaiah

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FOR  
unto us a  
Child is  
born  
UNTO US A Son  
is given; and the government  
shall be upon His shoulder. And  
His name will be called  
**WONDERFUL,**  
Counselor,  
THE EVERLASTING FATHER,  
THE MIGHTY GOD  
The Prince of Peace.  
ISAIAH  
9:6



**Equipping Class**  
Sundays [10:40am]  
Across the Green in the Fellowship Hall

*Sunday School*  
**CHRISTMAS PAJAMA Party**  
**TODAY!**  
[10:40 - 11:40AM]

*Sunday*  
**Morning Worship at 9am**  
SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE DISMISSED ON  
DECEMBER 24TH & 31ST

*Christmas Eve*  
**CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 5:30-6:30**  
  
(a Benevolence offering will be taken)

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**  
12.10.2023  
DEC 10TH    SANCTUARY    AT 5PM

Sierra View Auxiliary  
**CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE**  
Donate items by Dec. 11th  
Details in the Journal

**AKids NEED YOU!**  
January 17 - March 20  
**VOLUNTEER TODAY!**  
tanya@reedleymbc.org

**PRAYER Opportunities**  
Sunday Morning at 8:15am    Conference Room  
Monday-Thursday at noon    Sanctuary  
Wednesday Morning at 6:30am    Fellowship Hall  
Wednesday Night at 6:30-7:15pm    Sanctuary  
Saturday on Zoom at 7am Contact Tonya Goertzen

**RMBC MEN'S BREAKFAST**  
DEC 12TH [6-7AM]  
Come for a **MANLY MEAL** and an encouraging word!

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**  
Choir & Orchestra  
Friday, Dec. 15  
Saturday, Dec. 16 @ 7pm

**2024 MISSION TRIPS**  
• MEXICO - DEC. 31 TO JAN. 5  
• UTAH - JUNE 24 TO JULY 2  
• LITHUANIA - JULY/AUGUST  
• THAILAND - SUMMER  
• PERU - SUMMER  
• SOAR CENTRAL VALLEY  
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION

*Save the Date!*  
**WINTER CAMP**  
Preteen Camp : February 2-4, 2024 \$250  
HS/JRHS: January 19-21, 2024 \$165

*Sunday School*  
**MOVIE & CRAFTS**  
Dec 17th 10:40AM  
AGES 3 - 6TH GRADE

*Sunday Morning*  
**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
featuring THE RMBC CHOIR & ORCHESTRA  
**December 17th @ 9 am**

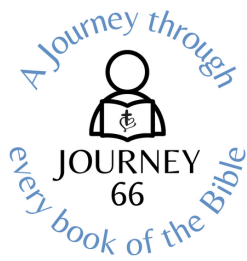
*Wednesday*  
**NIGHT PRAYER**  
PASTOR JEFF WHEELAND  
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 6:30 - 7:15PM  
SANCTUARY

**WE ARE HIRING**  
**SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR**  
contact charlie@reedleymbc.org

For more details on these or additional RMBC Ministries: check the App, Website, or contact the church office at (559) 638-8123. Further details can also be found in today's Journal.







glorify  
grow  
go

## Welcome

Welcome to Reedley MB. We're pleased to have you join us today for our worship service. It's our prayer that you will meet the living God in this place as we hear from the Word of God. We are here to **GLORIFY** God, **GROW** together as equipped disciples of Jesus Christ, and **GO** proclaiming His gospel to all. If you have questions, please ask, check our app, scan the digital QR code on the back of the Bulletin, or stop by The Welcome Center on our main lawn.

## Upcoming Events

We have lots of upcoming events! Don't miss out: check the RMBC Website and App, or the Info Phone Line at 559-354-6672.

## Contact Details

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# RMBC JOURNAL

REEDLEY MB CHURCH | 1362 L Street | Reedley CA 93654

## WORSHIP TODAY

**Sunday - December 10, 2023**

Today we ask the question, "What does God want me to do this Christmas?" Pastor Jeff will help us answer this question. Our scripture will be found in Isaiah 6 and selected scriptures.



**Candlelighters: Ben Martinez and Sutherland Friesen**

If you are visiting with us today, we encourage you to download our app (search: Reedleymbc), visit our website ([Reedleymbc.org](http://Reedleymbc.org)), or visit our Welcome Center where you can get more information and a gift.

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Our Missionary of the Week is, **Pablo and Maricela Chavez, serving with Multiply in Peru.** November is the one year anniversary for the Chavez family arriving to Peru. Adapting, adjusting, and improvising have become a part of life in their new home country. Peru has declared a state of emergency in three parts of the country due to violence. Pray that God will place a protective armor surrounding these areas that are being attacked and the pastors in these areas can continue ministering and evangelizing. The Almirante church is where Pablo and Maricela spend most of their time and energy. The people in that church have been inspired to reach out to the unreached people around them. Their goal is to be the church on mission. The Chavez boys have been learning to adapt. School is twice as hard and they are trying to improve on their Spanish. The school requires that they memorize Biblical verses on a weekly basis. There are weekly tests to see how well and how many verses they have memorized. Pablo and Maricela ask that you continue to pray for Issac, Joshua, and Samuel. The family thanks you for your prayers and support.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us TODAY at 5pm, in the Sanctuary, for the **Children's Sunday School Christmas Program**, a delightful evening celebrating the birth of our Savior.

**Chapter One's Christmas Program** will be Monday, December 11, at 7pm, in the Sanctuary.

**Sierra View Auxiliary** is planning a bake sale for December 12th to give their staff and residents an opportunity to purchase items they don't have time to prepare, or are unable to prepare themselves. It's a way of saying thank you to the staff for the work they do all year long. Donated items should be at the Sierra View office on Monday, December 11th, before 4:30pm. The office opens at 8am. Any contributions are greatly appreciated!

Our condolence is extended to the family of **Doris Warkentin**. Her Memorial Service will be tomorrow, December 11th, at 10am, in the Fellowship Hall.

## STEWARDSHIP

Morning Worship - 12/03/23 659  
Annual Goal \$2,003,870  
Received to Date (22%) \$447,812  
**Deficit: -\$91,691**

## GIVING @ RMBC

- Text reedleymbc to 1-888-364-4483
- [reedleymbc.org](http://reedleymbc.org) > Give
- RMBC App > Giving
- U S Postal Service
- Office, M-F, 8:30-5pm

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Social Media Coordinator** - RMBC is looking for a skilled Social Media Coordinator to generate and maintain a strong online presence for the Reedley MB Church. Your role is to implement online promotion and connection strategies through social media accounts. The ideal candidate for this role will serve as RMBC's storyteller and customer advocate across social channels by developing content to educate and engage RMBC's community with compelling content. This is a paid, part-time position for someone who is inventive, collaborative, passionate about social media, and excited to help craft and execute RMBC's global community Simple Church strategy. If you are a creative story teller with an interest in communicating with the community through online channels, we would like to meet you. You can find a job description on our Website and App.

**Sierra View Prayer Meetings** - Please join Paul Friesen and Don Enns for a time of prayer, every Thursday night, from 7 - 8pm, in the Sierra View Chapel. You will be blessed!

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

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**W.O.W. Women of the Word** - W.O.W. is a community Bible Study. WOW will take a break beginning December 12th and will resume Tuesday, January 9th with the study of 1, 2, & 3 John "Abide" by Jen Wilkin. WOW meets Tuesdays in the Student Center from 9-11am.

**M.O.M.S. Fellowship** - the final meeting of 2023 will meet on December 14th. Join us for a fun-filled day of Christmas celebration in the Student Center Room 200. Breakfast and childcare provided.

**Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study** takes a break and will resume in the Spring.

Contact [michelle.hiett@reedleymbc.org](mailto:michelle.hiett@reedleymbc.org) for more information on Women's Ministry.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

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**High School Wednesday Nights** are studying from the book of Genesis, 6:30-8pm, in the Student Center. Invite your friends!

**Junior High** - Wednesdays, from 6:30-8pm. Invite your friends!

## COLLEGE & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

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**Sunday School** - Meet in the Student Center, SC 202, 10:40am.

**Sunday Night** - Meet in the Student Center at 6pm.

Contact Anthony or Todd at [rmbccollegecareer@gmail.com](mailto:rmbccollegecareer@gmail.com) for more information on College & Young Adult Ministry.

## BI-LINGUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

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**Sunday School** - Meet in EC 217 at 10:40am.

## MEN'S MINISTRY

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**Forged Men's Opportunities!** God's Plan for our life is that you grow as a Christian. Come join us on Mondays, 7-8pm, in the Student Center, and Thursdays for Lunch Bunch at 12 noon in the Cafe. Sign up for an Accountability Small Group or **Men's Breakfast on December 12th, 6-7am!** Questions? Contact Pastor Mike at [mike@reedleymbc.org](mailto:mike@reedleymbc.org)

**Cross Trainers Basketball:** Wednesdays at 7pm, Immanuel

**Pickleball:** Thursdays at 7pm, at the RMBC Court

Contact [mike@reedleymbc.org](mailto:mike@reedleymbc.org) for more information on Men's Ministry.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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**Sunday School for All Ages:** 2 years old - 4th grade are in the Children's Center and 5th & 6th graders are in SC 207.

**Nursery (birth through Age 2)** is available in the Children's Center. There is also a parent room in the foyer of the sanctuary where the service is live streamed each Sunday. It is next to the Women's Restroom.

**Children's Church (Age 3 through Kindergarten):** Children meet in the breezeway when dismissed from the worship service. Children's Church is in the Tree Top Room in the Children's Center. Children will be taken directly to Sunday School after Children's Church.

**Kingdom Kids (1st - 3rd grade)** Children meet in the south hallway, between the sanctuary and office, when dismissed from the worship service. Kingdom Kids is in the Vineyard room in the Children's Center. Children will be taken directly to Sunday School after Kingdom Kids.

Contact [tanya@reedleymbc.org](mailto:tanya@reedleymbc.org) for more information on Children's Ministry.

## WEEKLY PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

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The Bible says, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." ~Matthew 18:19-20. We have many opportunities to join in prayer together.

**Sunday Morning** - 8:15am in the Conference room.

**Monday - Thursday** - Noon - 1pm, in the Sanctuary

**Wednesday Morning** - 6:30am in the Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday Evening** - 6:30pm in the Sanctuary

**Thursday Evening** - 7 - 8pm, Sierra View Chapel

**Saturday on Zoom** - 7am Contact Tonya Goertzen for link

**Prayer Line** - Would you like to receive our daily Prayer Line via email or through our App? Contact Kelly in the office.

**RMBC Information Line** (559-354-6672) is a great place to access the Prayer Line, Special Events, find Contact Information, and more. You can also find the Info Line number on the back cover of the Bulletin.

**“Christmas in Isaiah: What does God want me to do this Christmas?”** December 10, 2023  
Isaiah 6 (pg. 571) and Selected Scriptures Pastor Jeff Wheeland

Action Step #1: See the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Isaiah 6:1-7)

Action Step #2: Hear the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Isaiah 6:8)

Action Step #3: Be the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Isaiah 6:8-13)

Other scripture verses:

- 1 Samuel 3:21
- Nehemiah 1-2
- Matthew 28:18-20
- Mark 10:45
- Philemon 6

DATE: December 10, 2023

MEETING: RMBC Sunday School Equipping Class in the Fellowship Hall

Time	Activity	Sample Sunday School Class
10:40-11:00	Body Life Prayer Time	-Show Video
11:00-11:30	Small Group Discussion	-Scripture
11:30-11:40	Large Group Discussion	-Share
11:40	End Sunday School Class	-Supplication

**\*\*\*Please text Sunday School Attendance to Pastor Mike Schellenberg - (559)-393-3000**

**“Christmas in Isaiah: What does God want me to do this Christmas?”** December 10, 2023

Isaiah 6 (pg. 571) and Selected Scriptures

Pastor Jeff Wheeland

- Read Isaiah 6 in your Sunday School Class.
- Prayer time: Go around your group and get prayer requests. Pray together.
- Ice Breaker #1: Did your family members go to see Santa when you were a kid? When did you realize that Santa wasn't real? What gave it away?
- Ice Breaker #2: Jeff talked about a bad Christmas in Indiana before the Iraq War. Did you have a bad Christmas? Share if you would like. What was your best Christmas ever and why?
- Ice Breaker #3: Jeff talked about phone prank in college? Were you involved in any college pranks? Please share if appropriate and you are comfortable sharing.
- Ice Breaker #4: Jeff shared a quote from Dr. Martin Lloyd Jones. He was England's most well-known preacher in the 1960's. He said, "The more holy the person, the more sinful he considers himself to be." Do you agree with that statement theologically? Can you back it up with scripture?

Action Step #1: **See the Vision** (Isaiah 6:1-7)

- Isaiah sees the vision. Name some people in the Bible and/or church history that had a vision. What was their vision?
- Has God given you a vision of your calling and/or mission in life? Please share.
- How do I see my God given vision? (How do I understand my calling and/or mission?)

Action Step #2: **Hear the Voice** (Isaiah 6:8)

- Can you name some people in the Bible that heard God's voice? What did God tell them to do? How do I hear God's voice?
- What would you say to someone when they tell you that "God told them to do x, y, and z and yet that is contrary to the Bible?" What spiritual counsel would you give?
- What are some practical tips you have found helpful for Bible Study?

Action Step #3: **Be the Volunteer** (Isaiah 6:8-13)

- Isaiah says, "Here am I. Send me."
- Can you name some people in the Bible that volunteered to be used by God for his glory and advancing his kingdom? What were they called to do?
- Why do you think that 20% of people in a church do 80% of the work and ministry in a church?
- Jeff shared that one of his motto's at Reedley MB Church is that there is no such thing as unemployment at RMBC. How do we help that motto become a reality? What advice do you have for the leadership/staff to see more people serving? Hard Stop at 11:40 AM

Confessing their sins,  
the people were baptized.

Circle the 5 differences in the 2nd picture.



Ages 3+

December 10, 2023 • Mark 1:1-8

# Preparing the Way for Jesus

God sent John to  
prepare the way for Jesus.

Find and circle these hidden objects in the picture.

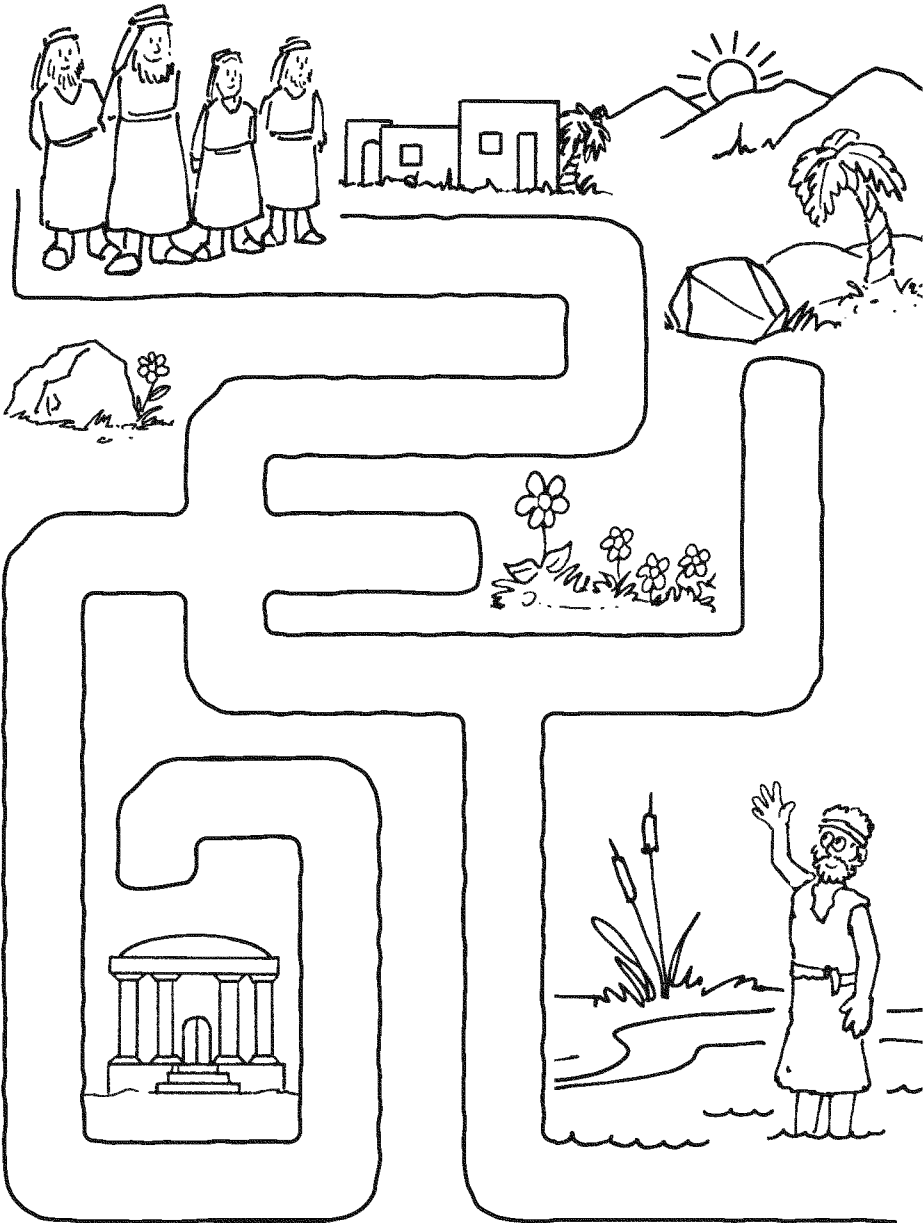


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All the people of Jerusalem  
went out to hear him.

Follow the maze to John.



John preached of baptism  
for forgiveness of sins.

Connect the dots.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

