

## REEDLEY MENNONITE BRETHREN CHURCH

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**Information/Prayer Line 559-354-6672**

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



### Sunday Worship Services at 9am

In-Person in the Sanctuary, Live Online

(YouTube, Facebook, [reedleymbc.org](http://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**



**The Perk Cafe**  
*Order online and skip  
the line! (Sundays only)*



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# Advent Sunday



Week Four

REEDLEY MB CHURCH



CHRISTMAS EVE  
*Candlelight*  
SERVICE  
DECEMBER 24TH @ 5:30PM



A BENEVOLENCE OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN


*the office will be*  
**Closed For Christmas**

December 25 - 28

**RMBC LIBRARY HOURS**

Sunday: 10:20-11:40AM

Return your library books promptly for the next person to read!



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SUMMER CAMPS**

Wagon Train: 3rd - 6th - June 7-13th  
Hume Lake: Junior High - June 7-13th  
Hume Lake: High School - June 7-13th  
Hartland: Jr High & High School - June 25-29

Spots are going fast!



Sunday  
January 4th

**Prayer & Fasting**

12-1PM




**MOMS BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday  
9-11am

Childcare Available

*As for Me*  
"Life through the lens of the Psalms"  
by Adrienne Camp

Starts Jan 15th



**2025-26 MISSION TRIPS**

- Village of Hope, December 30-January 3, 2026
- Germany Outreach/Renovation, June 2026
- Lakeview Church Utah, July 5-13, 2026
- Lithuania, Summer 2026
- SOAR Central Valley, Summer 2026
- Thailand, Various Trips and Dates
- Nepal and Peru, To be Determined

Contact the Mission Team or Church Office for details

**Sanctuary Remodel Pledge**



- Contact church office
- Fill out a pledge card
- Use the QR code to make a pledge

WOMEN'S MINISTRY  
EVENT

**Soup & Swap**

JAN 20 @ 6PM

Exchange your gently used items for treasures!

REEDLEY MB FELLOWSHIP HALL



**PRETEEN WINTER CAMP**

JAN 30<sup>TH</sup> - FEB 1<sup>ST</sup>

register online



HARTLAND  
CHRISTIAN CAMP

**JR & SR HIGH**  
WINTER CAMP

JAN 23-25

register online today!



**LEARN TO EARN**

YOUR WAY TO WINTER CAMP!



**Merry CHRISTMAS**

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth." — John 1:14 (ESV)



from the staff of Reedley MB Church



Student Center



Education Center (above office)



Fellowship Hall





# JOURNAL

REEDLEY MB CHURCH | 1362 L Street | Reedley CA 93654

## WORSHIP TODAY

**Sunday - December 21, 2025**

The Importance of Confessing Jesus Christ as Lord: Why is it essential to proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord? Today, Pastor Jeff will discuss four key reasons why this confession is vital. Our scripture reference for today's message can be found in Philippians 2:1-11.

## 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** proclaim 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 counter in the main foyer of the sanctuary.

## The Perk Cafe

Sunday, 10:20-11am  
Invite a friend to join you for a specialty coffee/drink in the Student Center at The Perk! Skip the Line and order online by 9:30AM.



## Upcoming Events

We have lots of upcoming events! Don't miss out: check the [reedleymbc.org](http://reedleymbc.org) or the Info Phone Line at 559-354-6672.

## Contact Details

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## CANDLELIGHTERS FOR ADVENT

Today's advent candlelighters are Reen Ramirez, Nolan Johnson, Gavin Fast, and Otto Peters.



## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Our Missionaries of the Week are Ron and Bonny Thiesen, serving with YWAM in the International Christian School of Budapest. Recently two of their Ukraine students became Christians and were baptized. A Japanese atheist student has started going to their church youth group and the gospel is being shared with her. Please pray for her salvation. The Thiesen's are in their last week of school before break and will be celebrating Christmas with Charissa and Josh which they are very excited about. The twins and their husbands will not be able to make it because of work schedules. Please pray for their ministry and their family.

## WEEKLY PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

**Wednesday Morning** - 6:30am, Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday Night** - 6:30-7:15pm, in the Sanctuary

**Wednesday Night** - 7pm, Bilingual (559-638-9536)

**Saturday on Zoom** - 7am, Contact Tonya Goertzen

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

**Information Line** (559-354-6672) is a great place to access the Prayer Line, Special Events, Contact Information, and more.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sanctuary Remodel** - Our church family has been blessed with a beautiful campus, and as a body of believers, we are called to faithfully steward and care for our main worship space. We've already taken important steps with the installation of new screens and speakers. To complete the project, we now need \$200,000 to move forward with the final phase. We invite you to prayerfully consider giving: every gift, large or small, makes a meaningful difference in creating a space that better supports people as they see, hear, and respond to the good news of Jesus. To view concept images, learn more, or to give or pledge toward the remodel, please scan the QR code.



## STEWARDSHIP

Morning Worship: 12/14/25      648  
Annual Goal      2,208,364  
Giving YTD (27%)      600,971  
Giving Behind Goal      -\$36,057

## 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



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Sunday School** - Sunday School is dismissed for the next two weeks and will resume on Sunday, January 4, 2026. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year too!

**Nursery (birth through Age 2):** In the Children's Center and also a parent room in the foyer of the sanctuary, next to the Women's Restroom.

**Children's Church (Age 3 through Kindergarten):** Children's Church is dismissed for the next two weeks and will resume on Sunday, January 4, 2026. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year too!

**Kingdom Kids (1st - 3rd grade):** Kingdom Kids is dismissed for the next two weeks and will resume on January 4, 2026.

*Contact [tami.hawkins@reedleymbc.org](mailto:tami.hawkins@reedleymbc.org) for more information.*

## SUPPORT A FAMILY SERVING MISSIONS

A Reedley-based MB Missions family is looking for housing arrangements for their son, a senior, who wishes to attend Reedley High School. If you're interested, please contact the church office for more information.

## STUDENT MINISTRIES

**Junior High and High School Leaders Meeting Save the Date -** There will be a Leaders Meeting on Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm, in the Student Center. Details to come!

**Junior High Sunday School** - Is on hiatus and will resume on January 4, 2026.

**Junior High Wednesday** - Junior High Wednesday Nights will take a break and resume on January 14, 2026.

**Senior High Sunday School** - Is on hiatus and will resume on January 4, 2026.

**Senior High Wednesday** - Senior High Wednesday Nights will take a break and resume on January 14, 2026.

*Contact Youth Pastor, Andrew Edmonds at 559-672-8075 to receive weekly updates through text messages (GroupMe).*

## COLLEGE & YOUNG ADULT

**Sunday School** - Will take a break over the holidays and will resume on Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup> 2026 in SC 202 at 10:40am.

**Sunday Nights** - Will take a break over the holidays and will resume on Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup> in the Student Center.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Merry Christmas from Women's Ministries!**

**Save the Date for Soup and Swap!** Coming Tuesday, January 20, 6pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Start saving those gently used items to bring and exchange for treasures. Plan to join us for a fun evening as we enjoy homemade soups, zwiebach, and dessert.

**We will be taking a break from the following ministries during the holidays but we hope to see you back in the New Year!**

WOW will resume on Tuesday, January 6

Mom's Night Out will meet on January 8 (2nd Thursday of this month)

MOMS Bible study will resume on Thursday, January 15

MOMS Fellowship will meet again on Thursday, January 22

*Contact [michelle.hiett@reedleymbc.org](mailto:michelle.hiett@reedleymbc.org) for more*

## MEN'S MINISTRY

**Forged Men's Group:** Will take a break over the holidays and will resume on Monday, January 12, 2026.

**Cross Trainers Basketball:** Wed. at 7pm, Immanuel

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

*Contact [mike@reedleymbc.org](mailto:mike@reedleymbc.org) for more information.*

**Bilingual Sunday Spanish Class:** meets in EC 217, 10:40am, led by Pastor Pablo Castillo.



**The Perk Cafe will be closed on Sunday, December 21 and 28.**



Christmas 2025:

Confess that Jesus Christ is Lord

Philippians 2:1-11 (pg. 980)

Pastor Jeff Wheeland

December 21, 2025

Confess that Jesus Christ is Lord because he...

Reason #1: Served.

(Philippians 2:1-7)

Reason #2: Submitted.

(Philippians 2:8)

Reason #3: Substituted.

(Philippians 2:8)

Reason #4: Saved.

(Philippians 2:9-11 & Romans 10:9)

Other scriptures:

- James 1
- Luke 1
- Isaiah 43:11
- John 14:6
- Acts 4:12
- I Timothy 2:5-6
- John 3:17
- Romans 10:9