

CALENDAR UPDATE

December 28	Building Committee Meeting
December 31	New Years Eve Fellowship at the home of Rick and Ant Collins 8:00pm-Midnight
December 31	Youth Sleepover at the Reichels Girls Drinks Boys Snacks
January 3	Prayer Service
January 6	Men's Breakfast
January 7	Lectureship Committee Meeting
January 13	Fellowship at the Wolfe's

2006 REINBURSEMENTS

If you have expenses for 2006 that need to be reimbursed. Please fill out the reimbursement form, attach receipts and have the appropriate Deacon sign. Get these forms to Gary Elmore as soon as possible.

BUILDING

The building is being used more and more. If you are planning a meeting or an event and want to use the building PLEASE see the secretary to schedule. This includes Saturday and Sunday as well as week days.

<u>"I will show my faith by my works."</u>		
<u>James 2:18</u>		
For the Week Beginning	12-10-06	12-17-06
Bible Class	119	132
Service	179	190
Contribution	\$5276	\$3333
Budget \$3649		
Wednesday Evening	80	Cancelled
Building Contribution		\$38,000

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests". Ephesians 6:18

PRAYER LIST

- **Bill Williams** was back in the hospital for additional treatment. He is now home recovering.
- **Tony Retel** has been diagnosed with another health problem. Please keep him your prayers.
- Please keep **David Wolfe** in your prayers.
- Stephen and Oletta Spurlin's son **Justin** who lives in Oklahoma has a developing medical condition that is keeping him from work. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Bob Garrett's aunt, **Kitty Riggs**, is having complications from cancer treatments. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Carol Bradley requested prayers for **Charlie Shimek**, Edgewood, NM Congregation. He has cancer and not doing well. Keep the family in your prayers.
- Keep **Ron Burkhardtsmeier, Jake Collins and Jean Wise** in your prayers as they continue their recovery.
- Please keep **Joshua Krull's father** in your prayers.
- Pray for **Loren and Penny Hollingsworth** and their mission work in Thailand.
- Please keep **Betty Austin, Ryan and Breanna Baldwin, Jack Bradley, Mable Howes, Chloe Littlefield, Jessie Munsell, Ruth and Pat Riley, Lillian Schoonmaker, Scott Taylor, Jacquie VanSchoick, Chester and Ada Webb and Billie Whitfield** in your prayers.
- Please keep **Dani Cato** and **Ben Baker** in your prayers as they are attending the AIM Program.
- Continue to pray for **Robert Kuenning's, mother, Mary** as she struggles with cancer.
- Please pray for those in our family that need prayers that were not mentioned by name and for our church family as a whole that we may learn to walk worthy of our calling.
- Pray for our building program as we move forward.
- Pray for **families** who have loved ones serving our country in the military.
- Pray for our Country and its Leaders that they may lead us in a way that is pleasing to God.



Opening Prayer
Song Leader
Scripture Reading
Prayer
In Charge
Assist
Assist
Assist
Assist
Scripture Reading
Closing Prayer
Announcements
Greeters

WORSHIP SERVICE

December 24	December 31
Robert Kuenning	CB Wise
Steven Younger	David Wolfe
Brady Kuenning Psalm 78:21-39	Robert Bowlus Psalm 78:40-64
Tony Retel	Adam Hanshew
LORDS SUPPER	
Phil Attaway	John Katkus
Ron Burkhardtsmeier	James Smith
Chuck Sutton	Jim Cato
Caleb Austin	Jim Wise
Jerry Berg	Gary Elmore
Chris Young	Michael Katkus
Jeff Reichel	Greg Niesen
Jake Collins	Jake Collins
Bill and Amanda Williams	Phil and Margaret Attaway



SCHEDULE FOR COFFEE AND DESSERT AREA
UPSTAIRS AND DOWNSTAIRS CLEAN-UP
December 24 Hales, Hartley, Hatley, Howes
December 31 Kale, Katkus, Kuenning, Lee
January 7 McKown, McLay, Munsell, Murrill



ATTENDED NURSERY

We have an attended nursery downstairs for children age 3 and under during services if you desire to use it.



December 24 Michelle Sappa and Kiana McLay
December 31 Ant Collins and Celestia Bowlus
January 7 Bob and Loni Bowlus

Wednesday, December 27 Leaders

Song Leader-TJ Reichel
Song Leader-Bruce Hess
Devo-Tim Caraway

Welcome to our Guests !
We are honored to have you join us as we worship our heavenly Father in “spirit and in truth”. Your visit is important; so, stay around and fellowship with us. Please plan on joining us for lunch. If there is anything that we can do for you, let us know. Come again soon!

Visitors. Please fill out one of the green visitor cards found in the pocket on the back of each chair. After you have filled out the card please put it in the collection plate.

The Lords Supper is available after bible class for those who may not have had the opportunity to partake earlier.

ELDERS	
C.B. Wise	Robert Kuenning
DEACONS	
John Katkus	Missions
Rocky Murrill	Services/Fellowship
Greg Niesen	Business and Finance
David Wolfe	Benevolence
Perry Pruitt	Talents to Needs
Jeff Reichel	Youth
Chuck Sutton	Education

... One Baptism ... (Eph 4:5)

(Part III)

What do we do with “FAITH ONLY” teaching?

Many teach today that “FAITH ONLY” is what saves us from our sins and brings us into Christ. Let’s look a bit at the “faith only” idea from the Bible.–

- > Jesus taught that Faith leads to Obedience - **Matt 7:21**
- > Jesus taught that Baptism must follow Faith for salvation to occur – **Mark 16:16**
- > Peter taught that once you know who Jesus is (faith), you must “repent and be baptized” to have your sins forgiven – **Acts 2:36-39**
- > Philip was teaching the Ethiopian about Jesus and when he wanted to be baptized, Philip checked his faith AND baptized him. – **Acts 8:35-38**
- > Paul told the jailer that he must have FATH and then he IMMEDIATELY baptized Him and his family.–**Acts 16:30-33**
- > The STRONG faith, and accurate knowledge of Apollos & the 12 Ephesian Disciples was NOT enough. They had baptism wrong and needed to be taught “*the way of God more accurately*” and be correctly baptized. – **Acts 18:24-19:5**
- > In Romans, Paul describes Baptism as something that they all did (**Rom 6:3**). When he later says salvation is for those who “*confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead*” in ch 10, he is comparing faith to following the OT Law, not to being baptized.
- > James tells us plainly that faith MUST be active and obedient (**James 2:14-26**) or it is DEAD. It is clear that an obedient, active faith is not “earning salvation” but rather necessary to please God. (**Heb 11:6**)
- > One of the SIMPLEST and CLEAREST teachings on faith baptism is found in Paul’s letter to the churches in Galatia (**Gal 3:26-28**):
“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” This straightforward explanation is EXACTLY what Jesus taught in **Mark 16:16**.
 - Faith always leads the way and must bring Obedience.
 - Baptism is our 1st step of obedience & completes our salvation by:
 - Putting on Christ – **Gal 3:27**
 - Having our sins forgiven – **Acts 2:38**
 - Having our sins washed away – **Acts 22:16**
 - Joining Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection – **Rom 6:3-7**
- > Peter was even more blunt: “**...baptism now saves you...**”**1Ptr 3:21**
 And remember, it is only by God’s Grace that salvation is even possible:
“ For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.” Eph 2:8-10



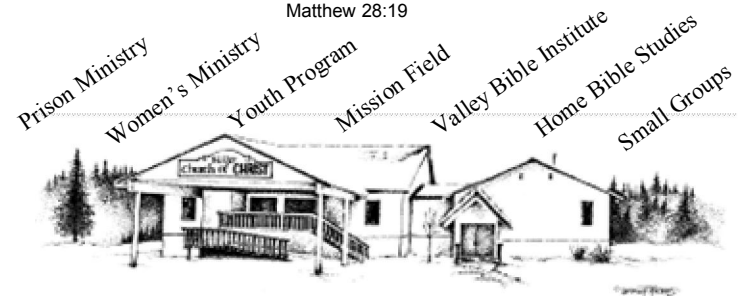
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Mission of Valley church of Christ

...Make Disciples...

Matthew 28:19



December 24, 2006

“Everyone who comes to Me and hears My words and acts on them, I will show you whom he is like: he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid a foundation on the rock; and when a flood occurred, the torrent burst against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. But the one who has heard and has not acted *accordingly*, is like a man who built a house on the ground without any foundation...Luke 47-49

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

Sunday:
 Bible Class.....9:00AM
 Morning Service.....10:00AM
 Fellowship Meal11:30AM
 Bible Classes.....12:45 PM
 Wednesday:
 Bible Classes.....7:00 PM

Office Hours 9:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday
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 Website: www.akvcoc.org
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 Elders: C.B. Wise and Robert Kuenning