

Friends helping friends  
become  
*Fully devoted followers*  
of **Christ**

**Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church** It's a place where you can feel like you belong.

### Church Events This Coming Week

Today	11:30 am	Adventurer Investiture
	1:00 pm	Fellowship Dinner- Old Fashion Style
	2:00 pm	Women's Ministry Book Study
	2:30 pm	Men's Ministry Study
	6:00 pm	Pathfinder Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Church Board
Friday	3:00 pm	Pathfinder Spring Camporee
Sabbath	10:00 am	Sabbath School
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Pastor Shaw
	2:30 pm	Adventurer Meeting

### Announcements

**In Celebration** - Kaitlyn Noel Bryner was born Tuesday morning, May 6, 2008; she weighed 9 pounds 2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. She is the daughter of Jason and Elizabeth Bryner and the granddaughter of Bill and Dale Cady. Kaitlyn lives with her mom and dad in Collegedale, TN.

**Church Officers - July 2008 to June 2009** - a report from the nominating committee, 1st reading. Please review the list provided as an insert in the bulletin. If you have any questions or comments please contact a committee member: Dale Jacobson, Vivian Irrgang, Greg Irrgang, Michael Casadine, Andreas Goelzer and Shirley Antoine.

**Sunset Tonight 7:55**

**Next Friday 8:02**

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church  
May 10, 2008

# Worship Celebration

Reclaiming the Biblical Meaning of  
Church Membership

## Gathering to Worship

Prelude Sherri Dovich  
Worship Host's Greetings Blanche Castle  
Call to Worship

## Praising His Name

Praise Songs The Peralta Family  
*Lord I Lift Your Name on High*  
*Shine, Jesus Shine*  
*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*  
Congregational Prayer Michael Casadine  
Church Alive Little Lights Investiture  
Gifts of Worship Jim Reiss  
*Disaster & Famine Relief- NAD*  
Offertory Sherri Dovich

## Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner Michael Casadine  
Scripture Lesson Blanche Castle  
*Ephesians 2:19-22*  
Worship in Song Shirley Antoine  
Sabbath Message Phil Vasseur  
*Called to Belong*

## Dedicating Our Lives

Hymn of Dedication "see insert"  
*We Will Glorify*  
Prayer of Dedication Phil Vasseur  
Worship Host's Benediction Blanche Castle  
Postlude Sherri Dovich

Thank you for reverencing God's house.  
Hushed voices and muted phones enhance our worship experience.

## Future Church Events

May 16-18	Pathfinder Camporee
May 23-25	Adventurer Spring Escape
May 31	Women's Ministry Sabbath
Jun 1	Vegan Cooking Class – Alberto Reyes, Sous Chef
Jun 20-28	Camp Meeting, South Lancaster, MA
Jul 28- Aug 1	Vacation Bible School- <i>Power Lab, Discovering Jesus Miraculous Power</i>

Please visit our web site for additional calendar information:  
<http://www.mvsda.org/Calendar/>

## Giving Hearts: May-to-date Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget
Church Budget	\$768.00	\$3,500.00
Building Fund	\$1,089.00	\$3,250.00
<b>Special Offerings To-Date</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Needed</b>
Evangelism	\$4,360.00	\$5,200.00

**Bulletin information** should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: [bulletin@mvsda.org](mailto:bulletin@mvsda.org); phone: 978/683-1319. Items submitted each week by 7p.m. Tuesday evening will be considered for inclusion in the bulletin.

## Here to Serve

Audio/Visual: .....	Andreas Goelzer.....	603/821-1041
Community Services .....	Karen McClendon.....	978/604-5818
Deacon: .....	Gary Patch.....	978/663-4544
Deaconess:.....	Juanita Ortiz .....	978/683-1319
Elder: .....	Steven Dovich .....	978/621-4925
Membership Clerk: .....	Joan Reiss.....	978/256-1671
Pastor: .....	Phil Vasseur .....	603/429-2410
Recording Clerk:.....	Sue Markin .....	978/957-6384
Sabbath School: .....	Alice Jacobson .....	603/898-4075
Treasurer:.....	Marge Patch .....	978/663-4544

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**The Prayer Warrior Team** will meet in the Library for group prayer on the first Sabbath of each month immediately following the worship service. If you would like to be part of this prayer team please e-mail [ritalmccall@gmail.com](mailto:ritalmccall@gmail.com)

Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@mvsda.org](mailto:prayer@mvsda.org) The prayer request list is updated as requests are received and distributed to all members of the group.

**Women's Ministry Book Study** Today immediately following the fellowship dinner. We will be studying the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter of Max Lucado's book 3:16 about the life of Jesus. John 3:16 is the universal love verse of the Bible. Come and enjoy a spiritually refreshing time of study, prayer and fellowship. For more information call Alice Jacobson at 603-898-4075 or e-mail her at [alice.jacobson@verizon.net](mailto:alice.jacobson@verizon.net).

**Women's Ministry Day** is scheduled for Sabbath, May 31. This is a very special day set aside to praise God for the women of our church that serve Him in so many ways. Charlotte Thoms, Atlantic Union Director of Women's Ministry will be the guest speaker for our worship service. In the afternoon, the luncheon will be hosted by the men of Merrimack Valley Church, Charlotte Thoms will conduct a short workshop on commitment, and Cindy Harris will present a creative craft! Save the date and bring your friends for a special treat! If you are interested in planning, helping or participating, please contact Alice Jacobson.

### Prayer Request:

- Jim Reiss- prayer for healing
- Eliseo Hernandez (Veronica Iria's father) - prayer for healing
- David Morris- heart problems
- Sue Markin – Bereavement

**Thought Spot:** Ever hear someone say, "I don't feel like I belong." Those are sad words. Nobody likes to feel like that. You can be in a middle of a large crowd of people, but feel all alone. Maybe you know all too well what I'm talking about! Here at MVC, we want you to feel like you belong. We know that you are called to belong, not just believe. Now that's something to think about. --*Pastor Phil*

## Southern New England Conference Events

May 16-18	Pathfinder Camporee- Camp Berkshire, NY
May 23-25	Adventurer Spring Escape- SNEC Campgrounds
May 31- Jun 1	Master Guide Camporee- Burlingame State Park, RI
Jun 20-28	Camp Meeting, South Lancaster, MA
Jul 4-5	Haitian Camp Meeting, South Lancaster, MA
Jul 11-12	Portuguese Camp Meeting, South Lancaster, MA
Jul 16-19	Hispanic Camp Meeting, South Lancaster, MA