

**Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church Family!** We pray for a Christmas blessing for you today!

Church Events This Coming Week				
Today	2:30 pm	Adventurer Meeting – Dress Uniform		
-	5:00 pm	Pathfinder Meeting		
Sabbath	10:00 am	Sabbath School		
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Warren Saxton		
	1:30 pm	Nursing Home Ministry		

#### **Announcements**

Hope Has Hands— A Christmas Cantata will be presented today during the worship service by the combined choirs of Christ Church United and Merrimack Valley. Come celebrate that Emmanuel, the Light of the World, our hope of salvation, was sent to us over two thousand years ago. Refreshments will be served immediately following the service.

Marriage Seminar: Our 3rd Annual Marriage Seminar sponsored by MV Family Life will be held on Sabbath, January 10. The day will include a special luncheon and a seminar entitled "You Cannot Not Communicate" to be presented by Rick Trott, Chairman of the Religion Department of AUC. Preregistration is required. The registration forms are posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board. This is a free seminar for married and engaged couples. Registration deadline is January 1. Come, enrich and renew your life.

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church
December 20, 2008

# Worship Celebration

Hope Has Hands

Gathering to Worship

Prelude Ingrid Mergenthaler Worship Host's Greeting Dale Jacobson Call to Worship

Praising His Name

Praise Songs Sue Markin & Katherine Nelson Silent Night

Away in a Manger
Go, Tell it on the Mountain
Congregational Prayer Rex Pajela
Gifts of Worship Dale Jacobson

Local Church Budget
Offertory Ingrid Mergenthaler

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner Alice Jacobson Scripture Lesson Greg Irrgang

John 3:16, John 1:14 NRSV
Worship in Word & Song Hope Has Hands Cantata

**Dedicating Our Lives** 

Prayer of Dedication Phil Vasseur Worship Host's Benediction Dale Jacobson Postlude Ingrid Mergenthaler

#### **Future Church Events**

Dec 31	Agape Supper @ 6 pm
Jan 10	Marriage Seminar
Jan 24	Family Night
Feb 15	Valentine's Party
Feb 28	Prayer Breakfast
	Friendship Sabbath
Mar 14	International Sabbath

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

# Giving Hearts: December - to date - Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget	
Church Budget	\$1,719.00	\$3,500.00	
Building Fund	\$1,865.00	\$3,250.00	
Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed	
Sound System	\$537.00	\$6,025.00	

**Bulletin information** should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: <a href="mailto:bulletin@mvsda.org">bulletin@mvsda.org</a>; 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	978/658-2893
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: Prayer requests may be sent to <a href="mailto:prayer@mvsda.org">prayer@mvsda.org</a>. The Prayer Team will add it to their list and present your petitions to God on a regular basis.

### **Prayer Request:**

Jim Reiss- prayer for healing Eliseo Hernandez (Veronica Iria's father) - prayer for healing David Morris- heart problems Cindy Harris' Mom – recovering from surgery

**Thought Spot:** May I take this opportunity to wish each one of you a very blessed Christmas! May God give you a blessing, so that you may be a blessing! Now that's something to think about. *Phil Vasseur* 

## **Southern New England Conference Events**

Jun 19-27 SNEC English Camp Meeting
Aug 11-15, 2009 Courage to Stand NAD Pathfinder Camporee
Oshkosh, WI