



Mount View Presbyterian Church | Survey Results | Fall 2009

I have been involved with MVPC: 5—less than one year.

10—1-3 years

14—4-10 years

5—10-15 years, 2—15 yrs +, fill in the blank: 20+,30+,31,32,36

I came to MVPC because:

19—I was invited by a friend

11—Invited by a family member

7—came because of the SUIC/UGM/YES/

2—came because they live in the community

I currently volunteer in some capacity with MVPC/YES/UGM:

10—yes, 8—no, 8—sometimes—10 not now, but previously

I attend worship:

21—more than twice a month

4 once a month

8 occasionally

What I value most about MVPC:

Service to the community-11(commitment to mission)

Reach neighborhood thru youth programs

Worship-10(hear Word in real way/Biblical preaching)

Friendliness-12(feels like family-6)(relationship-7) (welcoming-2)

Spontaneity

People at same ate in life range group

Everything

Not judgmental-2

Acceptance of questions

Partnerships-3

Potluck -2

Music



If I were describe MVPC to a friend I would say:

Friendly welcomes anyone in any phase of life-11
Diverse-4 open-minded -3, open-hearted, accepting-2, welcoming-4
Great atmosphere to praise God
Small-3
Great worship-5
Fun, inspiring-2
Small church with big impact on youth in the community-4
Small church, big heart
It has an outward focus toward the community-2
Relevant
Come as you are-2
Honest, not sugar-coated
Authentic-3
Unconventional, proactive
Loving-3
Intentionally Christ-centered-2
Belonging-4

Theological Orientation

-God wants a personal relationship with us
-Mission centered, based in relationship
-Biblical-5
-living a godly life, following Jesus' example
-non-traditional Presbyterian
-Moderate
- Real Word for real people that they can apply in their real lives!
-strong Christology-6, "view from the Margins"
-concern for social justice—3- and living it out in the community-3
-centered on God's love, not so much on sin and our need for salvation
-straight to the heart, provoking
-Reformed/Presbyterian-3
-relationally impacting others as Christ has impacted us
-God's grace is for everyone, even me
-fairly liberal



MCPC's Purpose

A place to gather and fellowship as God's people-3
To assist people in their walk with God
Encourage people to accept and follow Christ-2
Reach the Community-2
Be in joyful relationship
Follow Jesus
Be a safe haven for those in the community-2
Serve the Community—5(Serve children in the community)
Grow as a community-2
Ministry-2
Share God's word in an understandable way
Make sure people know God loves them-2
Fulfill God's desires to bring justice, wholeness, God's kingdom on earth
Live out Christ's message in the community
Mission
Love God –2 and worship
Love neighbors-2
Transform lives through relationship with God and one another-3
Be present in community, show love of Christ-3
Serving

MVPC's Mission

To be the hands and feet of Christ in our community
To reach people of WC—3- and be a light
Help others see God for his greatness and Praise Him
Serve and reach out—6- to the community
Be a welcoming place for authentic community
Spread the Word
Youth and family outreach
Serve the community of WC in new and different ways
Welcome all, community services through our partnerships -2
Our mission is changing /developing
It helps keep youth out of trouble and shows them new things
Empower young people and old to create change-2
Teach and preach God's love & Word-2
Love God, others, neighborhood-3
Equip and mentor
Be available, relevant, incarnational ministry
Call disciples to greater love for those in community



Concerns for MVPC's future?

That it become focused inward and not speak Gospel to the world-2
That it would continue to grow—not necessarily in size, but spiritually. To continue to be light to neighborhood.
That more people get involved
That it might get watered down
No concerns for future!
There seems to be a disconnect between programs that happen during the week & Sunday services-2
Survival in a world that does not support church the way it used to
That it grow and keep reaching out
Concern for number of people and for funding-5
Concern for neighborhood “going sour”
Concern that we get a pastor who doesn’t “get it” / what MVPC is all about, and that people don’t get their needs met, that attendance would taper off
Concern for need for more young people, How will it grow?
Concern for losing attendance, need to grow
Concern for developing lay leaders, representation of community , diversity
Ability to stay the course, message faced with potential growth
Need opportunities to nurture the spiritual needs of our members, need a Bible study for adults -2
Need permanent pastor
That ALL people –from every culture be welcomed, feel essential, their gifts recognized & nourished, a greater sense of inclusiveness vs. different groups-3
Concern that it be steered away from being intentional as a tight knit community as it grows
Concern for strategic Godly growth vs. growth for numbers sake

God's dream for MVPC's future

Create environment where people who come would know deep love of Christ, be compelled to share with those around them
Continue to grow spiritually and be a light to community
Get more people involved-3
Trust and Obey
Place where whole family can grow in knowledge of God
Continue to expand its work in community and world
For everyone to be together
To be part of White Center's bright future
More people to attend, more funding
Continue to touch lives of young people
Stay and help community and its members
Spread God's word
To love and serve one another so radically that others will be shocked, drawn to become a part of our faith community
That others will know MVPC is a place to come for help-2
To be more inclusive, reflective of the community
Potluck every Sunday
Preach the Gospel, use words if needed
Be more effective at our purpose
Keep up the good work



SUMMARY:

42 Surveys were turned in by 12 males, 23 females, remainder did not check either

Ages: 2 surveys by those 18 yrs and younger

14 surveys by those 18-30 yrs old

12 surveys by those 30-50 yrs old

11 surveys by those 50+

2 surveys by those who did not identify an age group

