

MISSION ADVENTURES

2020 North American Theme Statement

THE MVMT MANIFESTO

In a world where gadgets are worshipped as gods, where individuality gives license to trample our neighbor, where perfectionism reigns with an iron fist, and success promises false certainty...

In a world where people are numb, tormented with anxiety, and breathless. Where depression bogs down the masses, where polarization and pride destroy any hope of true change, and everywhere you look we are plagued with "not enough".

ENTER THE MVMT

2,000 years ago the God-man died. Not only did He die, He came to life again and lives today, and His resurrection changes everything. He lives on earth in His people, here known as *The MVMT*.

The MVMT rejects society's idea of "life" that results in death. We The MVMT have each individually been crucified our own will, desires, and ideas of reality are dead and we no longer live; It is Christ that lives in us. The lives we now live in our bodies we live by faith in the Son of God. (Gal 2:20)

WE ARE DEAD. CHRIST LIVES IN US. WE WILL LIVE ACCORDINGLY:

- We the MVMT do not pretend to love others; We act in love towards everyone.
- We the MVMT hate what is wrong and hold fast to what is good.
- We the MVMT delight in honoring each other.
- We the MVMT reject laziness, but work hard to serve our Master.
- We the MVMT have joyful hope in our King.
- We the MVMT are patient in trouble, committed to prayer.
- We the MVMT are ready to help others and love practicing hospitality.
- We the MVMT will bless those who persecute us.
- We the MVMT will live in harmony, laughing with the happy and weeping with the sad.
- We the MVMT will hang out with the lowly
- We the MVMT will live lives of honor and peace with everyone
- We the MVMT do not take revenge, instead we feed our hungry enemies and offer them a drink
- We the MVMT will not be conquered by evil, but will conquer evil by doing good.

THE MVMT

We the MVMT pledge ourselves to Jesus as our true king— the One whose thunderous voice quakes the earth and shatters cedars, the One who speaks out of the fire. He is the One who first laid down his life for us and showed us a new kind of living. We will speak up and use our voices to echo everything Jesus taught and make him known in our home towns and around the world.

We see this MVMT, this death and completely new life in Jesus, not for ourselves alone, but for all who are willing to lay down the shackles of this world and step in to the wildfire.

This year we will learn what it means to die to ourselves and discover something worth living for through the idea that God is stirring up a movement. The MVMT is aggressive submission to God's word, and a holy rebellion against the lies the world promotes as reality. The MVMT is a wildfire that starts with the spark of the Gospel, but through student's living out of kingdom principles, becomes a raging flame. As a wildfire burns it cleanses the surface and destroys dead clutter, making space for new life to grow. It burns without respect for borders or anything that stands in it's way, consuming everything that is consumable. Wildfire is essential in nature, it is essential in our faith, and the MVMT is an invitation to be consumed by and spread the wildfire.

Through biblical imagery of sound and fire and echos of revolution we will explore the Gospel, living in a new kingdom, and Evangelism. This theme is an invitation to students to lay down their idea of life for the kingdom radically, innovatively and contagiously.

Welcome to the movement of sound and fire!

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