

October 29, 2023 "Engage Every Generation" Rick Raines rraines@fairmountcc.org

This month, we have been delving into our church's MVP – our mission, vision, and priorities.

We are highlighting our **five priorities** as a church family.

- #1 **Submit** to Scripture.
- #2 Live like Jesus.
- #3 Worship in Community.
- #4 **Engage** every Generation.

Much has been written lately about multigenerational ministry and intergenerational ministry.

The Bible points to a picture of the Church engaging every generation in ministry.

Acts 2:14-21

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

- We are in those last days.
- The Holy Spirit <u>empowers</u> every Christian for <u>ministry</u>.
- The Church needs every Christian serving.
- We serve best when serving together.

All **generations** serving **together** means more people coming to the Lord.