



On Your Marks, Get Set, Go!

By Pastor Jeff



We are in the starting blocks! Can you feel the excitement? In October, we climb into the “starting blocks” as we begin two new aspects of ministry.

This coming Sunday, October 5th is our long awaited **Chartering Service**. Over the last year and half the body of believers known as Mountain View Bible Church has been ministering to one another, to those in the community, conducting worship service and prayer meeting. During that time, we have been functioning as a New Testament Church. We have also been formalizing our ministry as we crafted our core values, statement of faith and statement of operation. These documents summarize our biblical faith and practice and provide clarity and explanation for us and to those whom we will reach in the future. Also, over the last year and half the body has grown in love and in conviction that God has called us to formally organize as a New Testament Church. That is the purpose of our chartering service. We have an

awesome service planned that will be followed by a delicious catered lunch. This is a great milestone for our new church as we formally get in the starting blocks, exploding in the race of church ministry.

Later in the month, we climb back into the starting blocks as we begin our small group ministry, C.A.R.E. groups. In your group you will experience:

- **C**ommunity – a place to be loved and encouraged and to give love and encouragement.
- **A**pplication – a place to review and apply the Sunday sermon. To study and to ask the questions that usually don’t get asked.
- **R**equst – a place where prayer can take on a more personal and intimate focus.
- **E**xpansion -a place where you can receive ministry and do ministry.

Let’s be honest, none of us can afford to be without the blessing that CARE groups provide. So plan right now to not only be in the starting blocks for our chartering service but also for CARE groups and instead of “On your marks, get set , go,” you will be saying, “On your marks, get set, GROW!

Items of Interest

- **Sunday, October 12 - Dr. John Woodward**, Grace Fellowship Counseling ministry will be ministering the Word as our quarterly missionary speaker.
- **Sunday, October 19 - Fall preaching series, “Complete in Christ”, The book of Colossians.**
- **Week of October 20 – CARE groups** begin with sermon based groups tied to the messages from Colossians.