About Mountainside’s Disaffiliation

Mountainside is an Independent Methodist Church. We are no longer affiliated with the United Methodist Church, but we remain Methodist at heart. We follow the teachings of our founder, John Wesley, and many principles of the Wesleyan Book of Discipline, which are rooted in scriptural holiness.

Why we disaffiliated

Over recent decades, the United Methodist denomination, like others, shifted its position on human sexuality. We believe in the infallibility and inerrancy of the Bible, and we concluded that this direction contradicted God’s Holy Word. As a body of Christ, we voted to leave the denomination and become an Independent Methodist Church.

How we are led

A Leadership Council guides the church and makes decisions that support our Mission, Ministry, and Organizational Outreach.

Our outreach

Following Christ’s call to reach “Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth,” we serve our community and beyond. Just as we believe in tithing as individuals, Mountainside tithes as a church. Each year we give to missions, ministries, and organizations in our mission area that share our faith. Fundraisers throughout the year support further outreach, including missions in Haiti, the Boys & Girls Club, Potter’s Clay, Doctors Without Borders, and many other causes in Arkansas and around the world.