## Mastering the Camera

by Morgan Mills

Brian Baby is an analog photographer who is passionate about teaching students the discipline and art form that is photography. Baby is focused on teaching his students the elements of design such as line, shape, form and texture.

Baby has had 25 years of teaching at the college level and said that the passion students have for his classes and their journey with photography is what keeps him in the classroom. The mission that he has for his students is to break out of the monotony of the "point and shoot" method that is often tied to digital cameras. Baby wants to teach his students the ability to slow down and focus, "Take it off automatic, and you become the master of the camera. You are in control." Anybody can learn this skill, and students from all majors are able to participate in the classes that he offers.

Baby will be teaching darkroom photography in the spring and will provide loaner cameras for students who do not already own one. In his class, students will be able to strengthen their ability to see

the beautiful in the mundane and be able to capture it accordingly. Baby says that the students have taught him how to be a better professor to them as they navigate the art of photography. Through guidance and an array of projects, students are able to strengthen their portfolios with stunning photographs. Baby walks them through the printing process as well as gives them ways to access their visual side.

When asked about his favorite part of teaching, Baby replied, "Seeing the growth, intellectually and visually . . . Learning how to master the medium." Baby recounted numerous stories of watching students love on different methods of photography and how their art had improved. He's excited for his darkroom photography class in the spring and is thrilled to see the pieces that his students will create.







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## Meet Professor Michael Falgout

by Isaac Curtis

Exciting things are happening on MVNU's campus with new and improved lobbies, a new president and new professors. The newest addition to the great list of professors here at MVNU is professor Michael Falgout!

Falgout is the new assistant professor of Biblical literature. He comes from Southern California and is married to Sarah with three kids, Cameron (17), Caitlynn (16) and Kynzie (12). He graduated from Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego in 2007 with a bachelor's degree in Bible/Christian Ministries. He earned a master's degree in divinity from Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City in 2011 and a master's degree in English literature from Rockhurst University in Kansas City in 2015. He is currently a doctorate degree candidate in New Testament Studies at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena and is currently working on a dissertation on "Moral Metaphors and Model Readers of Luke-Acts."

Falgout is teaching several classes on campus consisting of some general education courses like Narrative of Scripture, but also courses specifically for religion and ministry majors like Old & New Testament History and Literature, Biblical Interpretation and an upper division survey of the Life and Letters of Paul. Falgout has a background in both pastoring and teaching with his past jobs. Some of these include, but are not limited to, being the pastor of Hemet Church of the Nazarene where he grew up, teaching English classes at a local public charter school, co-pastoring at Canaan Hill Church of the Nazarene, planting a church in Missouri, teaching middle school and high school English in the Kansas City area and serving as the youth pastor at Parkway Hills Church of the Nazarene while in college.

When asked what excited him about MVNU, he said, "I'm excited to be part of a learning community seriously committed to the heart and mission of God revealed in scripture. As exciting as it is to think where our students might go from MVNU to explore their passions and find their callings in various other ministries or mission fields, I'm especially grateful that we have this time together as a time to learn and live and grow together as students, scholars and disciples of Jesus in community."

Falgout is ready to meet new students and take on this new journey at MVNU. One piece of advice he wants to leave students with is, "At the end of the day, higher education is not about 'getting' this or 'having' that. It is about letting go of what was never yours to begin with and letting God shape you into the kind of person you know God wants you to be."











## Men's Soccer to Honor Seniors in Upcoming Match

By Josiah Sidle

In a heartfelt tribute to its senior members, MVNU men's soccer team gears up to highlight the service of their seniors on the Oct. 28 matchup against the University of Saint Francis. The senior quartet includes shot stopper Nate Hutsell from Plymouth, IN; midfielder Sam Hershey from Mentor, OH; defender and senior captain Ryan Walters from Marysville, OH; and finally forward Nathan Parker from Yeovil, England.

Hutsell cannot wait to share the special night with his fellow teammates, coaches and family members. "I'm excited ... it's a cool moment, and I am extremely proud to have made it this far," shared Hutsell. Reflecting on his period of growth at MVNU, he said, "I've learned that nothing comes for granted." While he prepares to leave a legacy, he encourages others to embrace their uniqueness and not always conform to the mold.

Walters, when asked to reflect on his most memorable moment, reminisced on the first time he ever played a match for MVNU - his first time experiencing collegiate-level soccer, "I remember this game so clearly because the atmosphere and team spirit were off the charts." At the time, up against No.2 in the nation Rio Grande were the freshmen. Walters started out as a left back. "We received a red card 10 minutes into the match ... we defended with our lives that game." Ultimately, MVNU fell 1-0 to Rio Grande; however, the experience was still positive in Walter's eyes. "We played one of the best teams in the country and held our ground with only 10 players. This game shaped not only our team for the remainder of the season, but it shaped me as a player for the remainder of my career."

Hutsell and Walters both credit the men's soccer program for their personal growth and development as competitors. With a current standing record of 7-9 overall and 2-5 in the conference, the Cougars were looking to finish the season on a high note with their next matchup at Marian. They will need to maintain drive and focus for their finale with the University of Saint Francis at home on Oct. 28.



Answer these trivia questions about the Men's Soccer Team! We don't expect you to know these off the top of your head, so you may look online for answers.

When complete, DM a picture of your answers to @MVNUViewer on Instagram for a chance to win a medium grey polo!

Which country is not represented by an international player on the team?

- A) The Netherlands
- B) Brazil
- C) Italy
- D) Scotland

What Crossroads league school did Coach Ganzberg play soccer at?

- A) Bethel
- B) Goshen
- C) Marian
- D) MVNU

The men's soccer roster has players at every number from #00 to #31 except for ...

- A) #1
- B) #11
- C) #21
- D) #22

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