

Methow Valley Community



Nestled on the Eastern side of the Cascade Mountains, the Methow Valley has been described as an oasis just this side of heaven. Extending from Pateros to Mazama, we are Washington state's eclectic mix of Wild West and thriving arts culture. There is a little something for everyone, whether you prefer indoor or outdoor activities. The Methow Valley is an exquisite recreational and tourism area, and its main employers are the school district, the forest service, and contractors and builders.



History

The history of the Methow Valley began when Native Americans lived along the banks of the Methow, Twisp and Chewuch rivers. They sustained themselves by digging camas root, picking berries, fishing and hunting. The first white men to visit the valley were trappers in the 1800's. In the late 1800s, ranchers, miners, and loggers were attracted to the valley. W.A. Bolinger, Henry C. Glover and Guy Waring established post offices and stores in the upper Methow Valley.

Western Restoration



In 1972, when State Highway 20 was nearing completion over the North Cascades, several business people began planning for travelers passing through the town of

Winthrop. Mrs. Kathryn Wagner and her husband, Otto, formulated a western restoration theme for the town. Cattle drives, rodeos, pack trains and the mystique of the old west are still part of the Methow Valley experience. Almost completely surrounded by National Forest, State

Game Range and Wilderness areas, Winthrop and the upper Methow Valley beckons adventurers of all kinds.



The population of the Methow Valley is approximately 5000 people. The closest chain store shopping (WalMart, etc.) is in Chelan to the south, or in Omak to the east, and both are approximately an hour's drive from our small valley. The nearest hospitals are also an hour away, but our valley has a

professional EMT and ambulance service, excellent medical clinics, and a volunteer fire department. The Methow Valley has an elementary school with attendance of about 350 students and a combined Junior High/Senior High with about 300 students. Information concerning the school district can be accessed at www.methow.org. Sun Mountain Lodge, high in the mountains of Winthrop, offers seasonal recreational activities, and an "A-rated" cross-country ski program with groomed trails, taking skiers from the mountains into the beautiful valley below. Loop Loop Ski Hill offers downhill skiing and is about 20 minutes east of Twisp. In the heart of Twisp, the Community Senior Center and the close-by Twisp Works Art Center offer a myriad of classes and activities.

The Methow Valley averages about 17" rain, 71" snow, and 189 sunny days per year. The average summer temperature is around 84 degrees and the average winter temperature is about 16 degrees. The sites for additional information are www.twispinfo.com and <https://winthropwashington.com/the-history-of-winthrop-washington/>

CBC History



Cascade Bible Church was established in 1947 and averages 80 to 120 people in attendance. The building was remodeled and enlarged in the 1970s and currently has a sanctuary, a fellowship hall with a kitchen, a large meeting room, a large children's classroom, and a nursery. Also on campus is a large gym, including an additional kitchen and 6-7 classrooms.

Masters Christian School is located in the gym building on campus. The church parsonage is also located on the campus. Our outreach ministries include a thriving AWANA ministry that has been active for 42 years, and a dynamite youth ministry attended by an average of 30 students each week, wonderful children and adult activities and ministries, and a popular monthly community movie night. More information can be found at www.cbctwisp.com.