

*Grace*

# WEEKLY

JULY 21, 2013



# GRACE CHURCH VISION

To partner with God in transforming people from unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God.

## GRACE CHURCH CORE VALUES

**We are unashamedly *God-centered!***

The triune God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit – is the One we worship and serve to His glory.

**We are passionately *people-focused!***

People, regardless of their spiritual condition, matter to God and to us.

**We are strategically *team-based!***

We believe ministry is best accomplished in teams of people with diverse gifts and abilities who are bound together with common purpose and covenants of trust.

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## WE COUNT BECAUSE PEOPLE COUNT! JULY 9-14, 2013

**Commitments made last week:** Life to Jesus - 3

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

**Celebrate Recovery:** Tuesday - 76 | Friday - 224 | Total: 300

**Cape Coral Campus:** 8:30 - 222 | 10:00 - 529 | 11:30 - 386

**Grace Community Center:** 10:00 - 165

**Ft Myers Shores Campus:** 10:00 - 135 | 11:30 - 47

**Ft Myers Central Campus:** 8:30 - 25 | 10:00 - 113 | 11:30 - 18 | Wed. - 149

**Total Worship Attendance:** 2,089 **Weekend Online Viewers:** 154

**Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth:** Octane (Sun.) - 27 | Octane (Wed.) - n/a | Revolution - n/a  
Revived - 21 | Planet 45 - 12

### GIVING *Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center*

**This Week:** General - \$22,013 | Building - \$3,712 | Missions - \$1,200

**This Year:** General - \$922,631 | Building - \$104,126 | Missions - \$73,763

**Total Year To Date Giving:** \$1,100,520

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# GRACE CHURCH STRATEGY

## REACH

ministries that *engage* and invite unchurched *people* in our community to *experience* the love of *Jesus* through the body of Christ.

## CONNECT

ministries that help people *connect* to Jesus and the Grace Church *family*.

## FORM

ministries that help *people* have a *growing* and transforming *relationship* with Jesus Christ.

## SEND

ministries that *release* God's *people* to make the realities of heaven the *realities of earth*.

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## GRACE NEWS

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE** - The 2013 Global Leadership Summit is rapidly approaching! This year's Summit is being held on August 8 and 9. Take advantage of the special rate of \$109 being offered by Willow Creek before August 6. Contact the church office at 574-7161 for further details, or visit [egracechurch.com/GLS2013](http://egracechurch.com/GLS2013).

**SHOES OF HOPE VOLUNTEER MEETING** - We will have a meeting for all Shoes of Hope volunteers TOMORROW at 6:30 PM in the Cape Coral sanctuary. Our Shoes of Hope event is Saturday, July 27 from 10 AM to 2 PM.

**KRAZY KAROKE FAMILY FUN NIGHT** at the Grace Community Center: Saturday, August 3 from 6-9 PM. Don't miss this fundraiser event with proceeds going to Costa Rica and Mexico short-term mission team projects. Admission is free; however you pay to sing, pay to have someone else sing, pay to "gong" the person you want to stop singing, and of course there will be insurance available for those who don't want to sing! Balloon pops- everyone is a winner! Spaghetti Dinner available prepared by chef Sergio \$5. You may purchase a dinner table for 8 for \$30 and invite your family and friends. Contact Andy to make a table reservation, 245-1353. Bring your neighbors, family and friends for a fun night out! Flyers are available on the SEND wall.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY** - Grace Church is now accepting applications for a full-time early childhood ministries leader. For a full job description, or to apply contact Heather Evans, [hevans@egracechurch.com](mailto:hevans@egracechurch.com) or stop by the Cape Coral campus office.

**SHAPE UP!** Mr. Dek's workouts is coming to the Grace Community Center beginning August 1. Classes will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 AM to 10 AM. Cost is only \$3 per

class and there is no registration fee. Enjoy Chair Toning, Strength Training, Zumba, Palate's, Aerobics, Line Dancing, and more. For further info, contact Javier Diaz at 574-7161 ext. 232.

**THRIFT STORE** is in need of your gently used donations. We accept houseware items, small kitchen appliances, clothes, linens, shoes, books, decorative items and more. If you aren't sure about an item, please give us a call at 656-0122. Please no TV's. Thank you for supporting the Grace Community Center Thrift Store!

**OUR SYMPATHY** is extended to Cindi Rich whose husband, David, passed away July 11.

**OUR SYMPATHY** is extended to Don & Lisa Collier and family in the passing of Don's father, Don Collier, Sr., on July 16.

## REACH

*Contact Patti Nemazie  
pnemazie@egracechurch.com or visit the REACH wall in the welcome area.*

**3RD SATURDAY OUTREACH EVENT** - A BIG thank you to all of our awesome volunteers who served at yesterday's event! YOU are the "church"! YOU were "the hands and feet of Jesus!" Thank you for making a difference in our community by loving one another and loving our neighbors!

**MY HOPE HOSTESS TRAINING** Thursday, July 25 - Help us to meet our 5,000 shoebox goal by hosting a packing party in your home! We will be having a hostess training this Thursday, July 25 6:30 PM in Room 7 at the Cape Coral campus to share how you can host a party. For more information, contact Patti x228.

**CAN YOU DRIVE THE GCC BOX TRUCK?** We are STILL looking for a few more volunteers to put in this rotation. No special license required. We pick up food from Harry Chapin in downtown Ft. Myers on the first and second Tuesday of the month, and we need backup drivers. Time needed is from 8:30 AM - 11 AM first and second Tuesday of the month. On the job training will be given. Please contact Criss if you are available to help out, 815-450-0706.

**FALL FESTIVAL** is around the corner! Mark your calendar for October 26. This is another one of our HUGE annual REACH events! Last year we had over 4,000 people on our campus for this event. We will need everyone to help serve our community this year! If you are interested in being a part of the leadership task team to help plan this year's event, please contact Patti at x228 or indicate this on the back of your Let's Connect card.

## CONNECT

*Contact Kevin Griffin  
kgriffin@egracechurch.com or visit the CONNECT wall in the welcome area.*

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** - Life can be difficult at times, but you do not have to walk through the tough times alone. A Grace Stephen Minister is available to meet you "where you are" and confidentially listen and offer spiritual support through prayer and encouragement. Stephen Ministry brochures are available on the Connect Wall in the Narthex.

# FORM

Contact Kevin Griffin  
[kgriffin@egracechurch.com](mailto:kgriffin@egracechurch.com) or visit the FORM wall in the welcome area.

**SUNDAY MORNING MEN'S CLASS** - We will be starting a men's Battlefield of the Mind study at the Cape Coral campus on Sunday, July 28 at 10 AM. For more information or to register, please contact the front office at 574-7161.

**GRIEFSHARE** - If you have lost a loved one, it may be hard for you to face the day feeling isolated in your grief. That's the reason for GriefShare, a support group of people who understand and want to offer you comfort and encouragement during this time. Class begins at 6 PM in Room 2 of the Cape Coral campus and is still open to new members. Materials fee is \$18. To register, please contact Marsha at 839-1164 or Debbie at 560-0659.

**NEW DIVORCE CARE CLASS STARTING THIS WEEK** - Experience the healing that comes from this weekly support group. You'll learn how to deal with the past, and look forward to rebuilding your life. You will be uplifted and encouraged! A new series starts Wednesday, July 24 at 6:30 PM at the Cape Coral campus. Contact the front office at 574-7161 to register.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR TRANSFORM** - Class schedule and registration for the fall session of Transform will begin July 28. There will be lots of opportunities for all ages! Classes begin August 28, and that's just around the corner! Stay tuned for more information during the coming weeks on what promises to be an exciting class line-up!

# trans FORM

FULLY. DEVOTED. DISCIPLES.

**CLASSES START** august 28

**REGISTRATION OPEN** july 28

# SEND

Contact Patti Nemazie  
[pnemazie@egracechurch.com](mailto:pnemazie@egracechurch.com) or visit the SEND wall in the welcome area.

**SEND GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE 2014:** Our Mission partners from around the world will be coming to Grace Church to report all that God is doing in and through the ministries we support through our Faith Promise Giving! Mark your calendars for February 26 - March 2, 2014 (and some longer!) You won't want to miss these exciting days hearing from our mission partners.

**FAITH PROMISE REPORT:** You prayed and faith promised God you would give, if He provided. So, how has He provided? Your story will encourage others. Please share it with your church family by emailing to [pnemazie@egracechurch.com](mailto:pnemazie@egracechurch.com). Your faith promise dollars are at work in India, Ghana, Mexico, Costa Rica, Cuba, Nicaragua and right here in Lee County through our support of Way FM, ECHO, Lifeline Ministries, and New Mission Systems International.

# AGE LEVEL

Contact Heather Evans (Children) [hevans@egracechurch.com](mailto:hevans@egracechurch.com)  
or Taylor Foley (Youth) [tfoley@egracechurch.com](mailto:tfoley@egracechurch.com) or visit the AGE LEVEL wall.

**PLANET 45** will be taking a break for the month of August! Our last meeting for summer will be on Monday, July 29. That night we will have a pizza party to celebrate our 5th graders who are moving on to middle school! Planet 45 will resume for new 4th and 5th graders on Monday, September 9 at 6 PM. Watch the Grace Church blog and the Grace Weekly for details!

**BACKPACKS NEEDED** - The 3rd Annual Shoes of Hope Back to School Bash will be held at the Cape Coral campus on July 27 from 10 AM to 2 PM. We are currently in need of 150 new backpacks suitable for either a boy or a girl and monetary donations to purchase shoes. Please drop off your donation to the church office.

**OUR NURSERY** is now accepting applications for paid part-time nursery workers on evenings and Sunday mornings. Please contact Heather to apply.

# WORSHIP

Contact Joe Wingard (Worship) [jwingard@egracechurch.com](mailto:jwingard@egracechurch.com)  
or Jennifer Strode (Tech), [jstrode@egracechurch.com](mailto:jstrode@egracechurch.com)

**A WORD ON WORSHIP** - "As I have looked at the life of Jesus in the Gospels, there are hardly any direct references to praise and worship music as we know it today. Does this mean it wasn't an important part of His life? Not at all! In Matthew 21:15-16, the chief priests and scribes were upset because the children were lifting their voices in praise saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" Jesus responds to them by quoting (actually paraphrasing) Psalm 8:2. "Yes, have you never read, Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise?" It is clear that Jesus understood the principles and the importance of praise and worship when

it is pure and innocent like that coming from a child. This kind of praise brings us strength and silences the enemy! (Psalm 8:2) Another reference to music is found in Matthew 26:30 after Jesus had celebrated the Passover with His disciples. "And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives." Apparently, Jesus and His disciples loved hymns too!

Jesus was a true worshiper, yet in His life as we see it in the Gospels, He did not spend a lot of time talking about the different styles and forms of worship music. Instead, He spent His time focusing on the real issues of worship such as sincerity, honesty, character, and our heart motivation. Jesus knew that if these issues were addressed in our lives, our worship to the Father would be full of spirit and truth." -Pastor Joe

## RECOVERY

*Contact Greg Mulkey  
gmulkey@egracechurch.com or visit the RECOVERY wall in the welcome area.*

**THIS WEEK JULY 26 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY** - Join us at the Cape Coral campus as we will hear a personal testimony from Toni D. She will share her experience, strength and hope as a result of working a 12 step program in her life.

**STEP STUDY UPDATE** - We now have a Men's group and a Women's group that are currently open to new attenders. If you would like to make new friendships, find out "why we struggle with the things we do" and develop that personal relationship with God, just be at the GCC on Tuesday evenings. Childcare is available for pre-middle schoolers. This is a 1-year commitment.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY FRIDAYS** *at the Cape Coral Campus:*

**5:30 PM:** Dinner **6:45 PM:** Large Group Celebration **6:45-9 PM:** Revived **8 PM:** Small Groups for Hurts, Habits & Hang-ups!

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY TUESDAYS** *Step Study Night at the GCC:*

**5:30 PM** - Dinner **6:30 PM** - Praise & Worship **7:00-8:45 PM** - Step Study Groups

**For more information** on any of our Grace Church ministries...

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## GOD'S VISION FOR GRACE CHURCH IS:

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## GRACE CHURCH...one church in *many* locations!

### Cape Coral Campus

13 SE 21st Place  
Cape Coral, FL 33990  
239.574.7161

#### Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional  
10:00AM - Contemporary  
11:30AM - Contemporary

### Fort Myers Central Campus

2415 Grand Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
239.334.3160

#### Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional  
10:00AM - Contemporary  
11:30AM - Contemporary  
(WED) 6:30PM - Contemporary

### Ft. Myers Shores Campus

14036 Matanzas Drive  
Fort Myers, FL 33905  
239.694.2797

#### Worship Times:

10:00AM - Contemporary  
11:30AM - Traditional

### Grace Community Center

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.1320

#### Worship Times:

10:00AM - Contemporary

### GCC Thrift Store

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.0122

#### Hours:

Tues-Sat: 10AM - 4PM  
Wednesdays: 10AM - 5:30PM

### FMC Thrift Store

2415 Grand Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
239.244.5712

#### Hours:

Saturday: 10AM - 3PM  
Sunday: 10AM - 3PM



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