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# Grace News

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**Week of August 11, 2013**

## The REACH Team

Dedicated to reaching people  
With the love of Jesus!



**“Go to the street corners and invite to the banquet  
Anyone you find.” Matthew 22:9**

**Visit the Reach Display  
Sunday Morning**

Sunday:  
Help!  
I'm Too Busy!

**HELP!**



# God's Vision for Grace Church:

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

*How do we live out that vision?*

**REACH !    CONNECT !    FORM !    SEND !**

We seek to **REACH** people who need Jesus,  
**CONNECT** them to God and other Christ followers,  
**FORM** them to have a growing relationship with Jesus,  
and **SEND** them into the world to serve God and others!

## Message from Pastor Arlene:

Years ago, when I was serving as Pastor of Connect and Form ministries at the Cape Coral Campus of Grace Church, all staff was required to wear their name tags during work hours. That meant if we happened to run out for a bite of lunch, we were wearing our name tag. If we had a doctors appt., we had the tag on. When we stopped on the way home to do an errand at Walmart, we wore the tag.



The funny thing is, when I was wearing the name tag, I was always very aware of how I was appearing to the world, because everyone knew I was a representative of Grace Church, and of course, God. Once, my husband Chris quipped that if we wanted to act ugly in public, best that we took off the name tag beforehand. It's funny, but it really makes you think.

Each of us who are claimed by Christ wear a name tag every day. That name tag says "(your name here), Hands & Feet of Jesus." Or perhaps you prefer "Recipient and Giver of Grace." What would your "name tag" say about you and our God as you live your everyday life with family, strangers, people? Let's live like we have our Jesus nametag on every day. I'm with you in the journey!

Blessings,

*Pastor Arlene Jackson*

[ajackson@egracechurch.com](mailto:ajackson@egracechurch.com)

## YOU COUNT TO GOD AND TO US!

### Worship Attendance by Campus: July 29-August 4, 2013!

Cape Coral Campus: 1,650

Grace Community Center: 228

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 167

Fort Myers Central Campus: 309

### Fort Myers Central Campus Giving:

General Fund: \$2,124.38

Missions: \$-0-



# All About WORSHIP

**Organist:** Dr. R. Thad Goodwin [btsdad@aol.com](mailto:btsdad@aol.com)

**Choir Leader:** Robin Ziel [robinleez@comcast.net](mailto:robinleez@comcast.net)

**Worship Leader:** Pastor Jedson Rodrigues [jrodrigues@egracechurch.com](mailto:jrodrigues@egracechurch.com)

**Band Leader:** Chris Jackson [coj1234@hotmail.com](mailto:coj1234@hotmail.com)

## **Worship Times:**

Sunday Traditional Service at 8:30am (hymns, organ, robes!)

Sunday Contemporary Service at 10am & 11:30am (a kickin' band & jeans!)

Wednesday Contemporary Service at 6:30pm (a bit of everything!)

## **We Celebrate Holy Communion the First Sunday and Wednesday of the Month!**

At Grace Church, the Lord's Supper is open to anyone who needs the love and grace of Jesus Christ in their life.

We use grape juice for those who can't drink alcohol.

**Wednesday Worship, 6:30pm — "BAND NIGHT":** Worship begins at 6:30, with the band providing an hour of worship and praise. As every week, please stay for free dinner at 7:30, and afterwards, 12 Step recovery groups to gain healing and help for hurts, habits, and hang-ups. All are welcome!

**Musicians and Singers Wanted!** Sing with the praise band Sunday...or can you play an instrument? We're looking for your desire to help others to worship! Contact Pastor Jedson to be a singer, or Chris Jackson to join the band as a musician!

**The Metal Buckets!** All money collected in the metal buckets during the time of offering on Wednesday and Sunday in the month of August will go for **FRANKLIN PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**. Please see the "Send" page for more information on the FPE Christmas Toy Collection!! Adopt a kid, bring the toys, put them on the altar or bring to the office.



# CHILDREN & YOUTH

**Director of Children's Ministry: Venia Joray** [vjoray@egracechurch.com](mailto:vjoray@egracechurch.com)

**Middle & High School Leader: Shannon Kania** [Shannon.Kania@gmail.com](mailto:Shannon.Kania@gmail.com)

## **Babies and Toddlers!**

We love your little ones. Grace Church provides quality loving care during Sunday contemporary worship services and on Wednesday evenings!

## **Grace Kidz!**

Calling all Elementary School aged children for crafts, Bible learning, worship and games during Sunday a.m. contemporary worship services as well as Wednesday evening worship.

**Child Protection Class!** Anyone working with our children must attend this class. The next opportunity to get this training is **TODAY**. This class takes place at the Cape Coral Campus. Contact Venia for more details. [vjoray@egracechurch.com](mailto:vjoray@egracechurch.com)



## **Seeking Children Ministry Volunteers**

If you have been worshiping at Grace Church for at least 6 months and are willing to be background screened and trained to work with children. God can use you in amazing ways in a child's life! Have fun and make a difference! Contact Venia.

**Be in Prayer!** Over the next two weeks our children, our teachers, our administrators, and all the many support staff will be returning to the schools for another year of education. Please pray for all of these for peace in their lives, for safety, for protection from attacks of the evil of the world. It is our responsibility to hold all of God's precious people up in prayer.

## **Youth Group!**

Middle School and High School students gather to hang out on Wednesday night at 6:30 for dinner, interaction with the regular worship service, as well as bible study, prayer, games, and general fun in the Youth House. Must like music, Lock-ins, movies, road trips and food!

**Youthful at Heart?** Do you have a flair for the dramatics or know how to herd cats? If so there may be a place for you in the youth department. We are looking to add a class for our up-coming middle school youth and are looking for additional youth workers. Please contact Shannon Kania for more information.

# REACH MINISTRY



**Reach Leader: Chris Jackson** [coj1234@hotmail.com](mailto:coj1234@hotmail.com)  
**Thrift Store Leader: Judith Seright** [serightjudith@yahoo.com](mailto:serightjudith@yahoo.com)

**Volunteer at TURN AROUND!** Make connections with the neighborhood, and let them know all about our church! Join this crazy team of sorters, sellers, checkers and stockers. Lend an ear and a hand to our neighbors! Are you good at lifting, sorting, and stocking shelves, then contact Judy to work during the week. Email Judy and take a shift!

**Reach Team** We on the Reach Team know that it sounds a bit odd, but we LOVE to surprise people, and love up on them, and help them out, and do things for them. We do these acts of kindness, not for our own egos or pride, but to show them that they are loved by us and by Jesus. Of course, to those of you with these gifts to reach out into the community, these crazy things may seem perfectly normal - and you are the people we are looking for. Come join the Reach Team! "Preach the gospel at all times, and if necessary, use words!"



# CONNECT MINISTRY

**Connect Leader: Ed Horne** [dukeoakfan@comcast.net](mailto:dukeoakfan@comcast.net)

**Food, Glorious Food!** Every week the Kitchen Team serves over 350 meals ...with no budget to buy the food! All donations of food are appreciated. Some of the items we always need are as follows: coffee, lemonade mix, pancake mix, peanut butter, jelly, yellow rice, dishwashing soap, cereal, powdered coffee creamer, sugar and did I mention **COFFEE**. Donate any of these items or drop money in the donation jar and don't forget to come and enjoy the good food!



**Central Campus Readers** ~ "What is it?" you ask. A group of avid readers who get together to discuss a book they are all reading. This group will be discussing Yann Martel's "Life of Pi" in their first meeting this year. Please see Paul Chapdelaine for your copy of the book.

## **CONNECT MINISTRY** continued...

**Hospitality Volunteers!** Are you friendly? Then you can help on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings at the Welcome Desk, as a greeter, or as an usher. You can serve in the parking lot and wear the cool orange day-glo vest! A great way to meet absolutely everyone! Email or see Ed!

**Men's Club!** There will be no Men's Club this month due to the Leadership Summit. Men's club next month will be September 12th at 6:30pm. Come join with other men for good food, good conversations, and good friendships.

**Free Movie Night!** The first Saturday of each month is Movie Night. We have a great time eating free popcorn and watching the movie with a few dozen of our Grace family. Next free movie night is September 7th. We will be showing "Taken by Grace" Mark your calendar and come join the fun! We'll save you a seat!



# FORM MINISTRY

**Form Leader: Sharon Davis**  
[sdavis@egracechurch.com](mailto:sdavis@egracechurch.com)

**Dive Deeper!** Each week on the tables in the hall and on the Form wall there are copies of the sermon notes along with questions and thoughts to help you go deeper into the Sunday sermon. We call this "Dive Deeper" because it allows an opportunity to process what we have just heard in the sermon in a different and deeper way. Pick up a copy of these notes and see where God leads you, or join the 11:30 discussion group! (see information below)



**New Discussion Group!** At 11:30 in room 3 is an informal discussion group that takes a deeper look at the sermon. Using the "Dive Deeper" notes this group discusses together how the sermon applies to their lives. This is an open group and you can join at any time. Our new sermon series is entitled HELP! This week's topic is: I'm Way Too Busy.....

**Making My Connection Class!** Our next new members class is Today from 1 to 5pm. Meet outside the sanctuary after the 11:30 service.

**University of the Holy Spirit!** The Grace Church daily Bible reading and devotion plan where you are guaranteed to get a personal word from God every single day! This quarter's bookmarks are on the "Form" wall or contact Sharon Davis for more details.



# SEND MINISTRY

Send Leader: Terry Rhodes

[trlpn@aol.com](mailto:trlpn@aol.com)

**Early Christmas Toy Collection!** We are still collecting toys for the December toy giveaway for Franklin Park Elementary School. Pick up a card or two from the display in the hall and get an early start on this local mission project. The money collected in our metal buckets for the months of July-September will be to benefit our local mission partner, Franklin Park Elementary School.

**School Supplies!** It's that time again. Bring in those school supplies for Franklin Park. Items needed are: Pencils, Paper, Glue sticks, Crayons, & 3-Pronged folders. Extra items you could provide for the teachers are: Kleenex, Copy paper, Hand sanitizer, and Gallon size plastic bags. Bring in any or all of these items.

## RECOVERY MEETINGS



**Men's Recovery Leader: Scott Thornton** [Scotthardythornton@yahoo.com](mailto:Scotthardythornton@yahoo.com)

**Women's Recovery Leader: Sarah McMillan** [smcmillan@egracechurch.com](mailto:smcmillan@egracechurch.com)

**Monday:** CA at 8:00pm

**Tuesday:** CA at 8:00pm

**Wednesday:** 12 Steps for Christians for Men at 8:00pm  
12 Steps for Christians for Women at 8:00pm

**Thursday:** AA at 7:00pm

**Friday:** AA at 8:00pm

**INTENSIVE 12 STEP STUDIES!** Are you a man ready to make a real change in your life? Scott Thornton is preparing to start a men's 12 step group where you will actually work through your steps. If you are interested in a step study, contact Scott at 239 603-5975 for details, dates and times.

# 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

## FORT 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 Pkwy  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.1320

### Worship Times:

10:00AM - Contemporary

## GCC THRIFT STORE

4151 Hancock Bridge Pkwy  
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



# CROSS-CAMPUS Events & Activities

**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 Cha-

pin 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 or write "driver" on the back of your lets connect card.



**Mobile app  
available!**



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