

Grace

WEEKLY

October 20, 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.

WE COUNT BECAUSE PEOPLE COUNT! OCT. 8-14, 2013

Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 1

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - 69 | Friday - 245 | Total: 314

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 - 243 | 10:00 - 662 | 11:30 - 460

Grace Community Center: 10:00 - 225

Ft Myers Shores Campus: 10:00 - 139 | 11:30 - 40

Ft Myers Central Campus: 8:30 - 26 | 10:00 - 113 | Wed. - 164

Kairos - 3 Marriage Weekend - 8

Total Worship Attendance: 2,397 **Weekend Online Viewers:** 130

Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth: Octane (Sun.) - 44 | Octane (Wed.) - 25 | Revolution - 29
Surge - 39 | Planet 45 - 26

GIVING *Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center*

This Week: General - \$24,087 | Building - \$18,095 | Missions - 1,223

This Year: General - \$1,286,064 | Building - \$159,677 | Missions - \$98,308

Total Year To Date Giving: \$1,544,050

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or set up an automatic monthly donation.

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GRACE NEWS

IMPACT INITIATIVE GATHERING - The pastors of Grace Church invite you to an Impact Initiative Gathering at the Grace Community Center to dream with you about the future of our church. Please join us for dinner on Saturday, November 2 at 6 PM, or lunch on Sunday, November 3 at 11:30 AM. RSVP by October 25 to impact@egracechurch.com or call 574-7161. Please indicate if you need childcare.

FALL FESTIVAL - Saturday, October 26 from 4-7 PM at the Cape Coral campus. Calling all Grace Church folks to invite your unchurched friends and neighbors! Last year 4,000 of our neighbors joined us for this awesome event. Church members and volunteers, in order to have enough room for our guests, PLEASE PARK AT THE GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER. A bus will shuttle volunteers and church members to and from the Cape Coral campus.

FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION! Thursday evening, October 24 from 6:30-7:30 PM in the Cape Coral campus Sanctuary. If you signed up to volunteer, or are planning on volunteering at the Fall Festival, we would like you to join us for a quick orientation/training. T-shirts will be available and we will go over important information that you need to know.

PART-TIME VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR - Grace Church is accepting applications for a part-time volunteer coordinator for the Grace Community Center and its ministries. Position will be responsible for recruiting, training, mentoring & managing the volunteer base at the GCC. Spiritual gifts of administration, hospitality, and helps are essential. Applications available in the front office.

THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEER MEETING - There will be a very important meeting on Thursday, October 24 at 4:30 PM held at the GCC Thrift Store. Also, anyone wishing to help out at the Thrift Store or learn more about volunteer opportunities, we invite you to attend.

SAVE THE DATE: THRIFT STORE SUNDAY - On November 10, the GCC Thrift Store truck will be parked in the Cape Coral campus parking lot to accept donations. Please consider donating any gently used item to help support the store's mission.

TODAY at the 11:30 service, we celebrate the baptism of Sadie Grace Smith born on June 17, 2013. She is the daughter of Scott and Chantel Smith.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Renee D'Angelo in the passing of her husband, Doug Winfield, on October 17.

REACH

WHAT'S A FESTIVAL WITHOUT CANDY? Now through October 26 we are accepting any kind of bagged candy with each piece inside individually wrapped. No chocolate please! Candy can be dropped off at the office anytime or at the Fall Festival table in the Narthex on Sunday.

66 DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS! Our Christmas Ministries are gearing up for the season. Once

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again this year we will be serving the Foster Children in Lee County through the Adopt-A-Child Christmas ministry; Oma's Heart Ministry will be serving families experiencing financial difficulties by providing vouchers to parents and setting up a Christmas store at the Grace Community Center; Angel Tree Ministry will be serving children whose parents are incarcerated; and the Grace Community Center will be the host site for Operation Christmas Child's Collection for SWFL. All toy donations for these Christmas ministries will continue to bless our community this Holiday Season. Over the next few weeks, these ministries will be set up in the Narthex for more information. If you want to get involved, donate, or have any questions, contact Patti Nemazie, pnemazie@egracechurch.com.

GRACE COMMUNITY GARDEN - We are preparing ground for phase II of our fall planting and many other activities. Come join us at the Grace Community Garden located behind the Mobil station in the parking lot of the Grace Community Center on Saturday mornings from 8 AM - 12 PM. For more information, contact Scott at 851-0613.

CHOICE PANTRY PILOT PROGRAM REPORT: On Tuesday, October 15, a team of 21 awesome servants from Grace Church served in a pilot program providing a Choice Pantry for homebound seniors in our community. We served 25 guests and the reports of those guests who experienced the love of God through the body of Christ were amazing! A special thank you to this team of trailblazers that were "flexible, teachable and came under authority."

PARENTING CLASSES are being provided at the Grace Community Center every Saturday by the Children's Advocacy Center of SW Florida. 12-week sessions every Saturday from 10 AM - 12 PM. If interested, please call Doris Martinez at 338-2808.

CONNECT

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WOMEN OF FAITH CHRISTMAS - Join Women of Grace for a live simulcast of Women of Faith's 2nd annual Christmas presentation. The event will include inspiring messages from Sheila Walsh, Lisa Harper, and Max Lucado, music from Francesca Battistelli, and much more. Tickets are available for \$5 at the display table or online at egracechurch.com. 7:30 - 10:30 PM Friday, December 6 at the Grace Community Center.

COUPON BLESSINGS - Learn how to save more and spend less at the grocery store! Using coupons is easy, fun, and smart. 1-3 PM or 6:30-8:30 PM (same workshop offered twice) Monday, November 4 in Room 6 at the Cape Coral campus. Workshop cost is free. For more information call Tina Sanchez at 823-0569.

HOMEBOUND VISITATION TEAM - This team cares for senior adults at Grace Church who are unable to attend worship because they are convalescing or unable to leave home. They minister through conversation, encouragement, prayer, and by delivering communion if desired. If you would like a visit, or if you want to join the team, call Pastor Kevin at 574-7161.

CHRISTMAS EVE HOSPITALITY TEAM - Christmas Eve is a special opportunity for our church

to connect with many people in our community who do not have a place to belong. We are forming a team of volunteers to help welcome all of our guests and answer questions about Grace Church. Would you consider volunteering at one of our several worship services on December 24, so that someone else might experience the love of Christ? To sign up, call Leigh Jarvis at 574-7161 or send an email to lj Jarvis@egracechurch.com.

FITNESS FOR FAITH - This group meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 PM -7:30 PM at the Grace Community Center for cardio exercise, cross training, and spiritual growth. The class is led by a certified personal trainer and is open to people of all ages and skill levels. Cost is free. Childcare is available across the street at the Cape Coral campus. For more information, call Adam Viquesney at 810-1515 or like our "Fitness for Faith: Grace Church" page on Facebook.

TUESDAY BUNCH FOR LUNCH - This women's small group meets on Tuesdays from 12 PM -1 PM in Room 4 at the Cape Coral campus. This fall, the group is studying Galatians using the book Life Change Series: Galatians (NavPress, 1989), which is available at amazon.com or in the church office for \$10. Bring your Bible, the book, and a brown bag lunch.

SHUTTLE SERVICE - A team of volunteers is forming to provide rides from the parking lot to the front door and back on Sunday mornings. If you enjoy helping people and driving golf carts, we have a job for you! Call Mike Mills at 872-1533 or email millsmichael95@yahoo.com.

GCC CAFE TEAM - A team is forming to improve our hospitality and café environment for the Sunday morning worship service at the Grace Community Center. If you're interested, talk to Donna Linder after the service ends today or send an email to dlinder@egracechurch.com.

FORM

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TUESDAY PRAYER GROUP - A group meets Tuesday mornings at the Cape Coral Campus to lift up the prayer requests of our congregation. If you love to pray, please consider joining the group! Meet at the front office at 10:30 AM Tuesday.

BIBLE STUDY: ISAIAH AND THE MESSIAH - Just in time for Advent and Christmas, join Pastor Kevin for a 3-week journey through the prophet Isaiah's words about a Savior coming to redeem God's people. No book or registration required, just bring your Bible and a pen. 6:30 - 7:45 PM Wednesdays in the Connections Cafe at the Cape Coral campus, beginning October 30. Childcare available in Grace Place.

MEN'S RETREAT 2014 - Save the date for February 7-9, 2014. Pastor Jorge and Pastor Wes invite men from every campus of Grace Church to join them on Ft. Myers Beach to talk about "The Character of a Godly Man." Registration opens soon. Great teaching, great food, great music, great guys. . . worshipping a great God!

MEN'S BATTLEFIELD OF THE MIND CLASS - Held on Sunday mornings at 10 AM in Room 6 at the Cape Coral campus of Grace Church. Learn how to choose life-generating thoughts that line up with God's Word to experience the fullness of life God has planned for you.

THE LEADERSHIP ROADMAP - Led by Tonya Roberts, this class provides encouragement, accountability, and character development to leaders through weekly lessons, sharing and development exercises. 10 AM - 11:15 AM Sundays in Room 5 (Cape Coral campus).

WOMEN'S RETREAT PLANNING TEAM - The Women of Grace are planning our women's retreat in 2014, and we need your help. We need women with gifts for administrative work, planning, logistics, and creativity on our task team to organize an incredible retreat experience that will help women grow in their faith. If you would like to get involved, please call Paulette Jones at 896-7370.

SEND

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GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE: FEBRUARY 26- MARCH 2: If you are interested in hosting a missionary in your home or helping with any of the planned events for this exciting week, please indicate on the back of your Let's Connect card.

SERVING ON THE MISSION FIELD THIS MONTH: Please be sure to pick up a prayer card for the following teams that will be serving in the field this month.

- **MISSION TRIP TO PARAGUAY**, October 10-21: Liz Boggess
- **MISSION TRIP TO JUAREZ, MEXICO**, October 27 - November 2: Andy Guiteriz, Teresa Evans, Phil Rodgers.
- **MISSION TRIP TO NEPAL**, October 29 - November 9: Susanne McIntosh
- **KAIROS INSIDE/OUTSIDE**, October 24-27 and October 10-13, Serving locally those who are incarcerated and the women who have loved ones incarcerated: Gary Wallace, Jack Brown, Vicky Badtke, Carol Wallace, Pam Ellenbarger, Linda Brown, Joyce Hearl, Patty Armbruster, Dee Massie, Cliff Massie, Shari Massie.
- **SAMARITAN'S PURSE DISASTER RELIEF MINISTRY** - Bri Butler continues to serve the people in Boulder, Colorado as a result of the devastating floods they experienced last month.

AGE LEVEL

*Contact Heather Evans (Children) hevans@egracechurch.com
or Taylor Foley (Youth) tfoley@egracechurch.com*

PLANET 45 COSTUME BOWLING: Monday, October 28 from 6-7:30 PM. Please plan to drop your student off at 6 PM and pick-up at 7:30 PM at Headpinz Bowling Alley (1899 Del Prado Blvd Cape Coral, FL). Cost is \$6.00 per student. Wear your BEST Costume (not bloody or scary) and bring socks to wear! Please contact Jena by Wednesday, October 23rd to sign up to bowl: 574-7161, jcurnoles@egracechurch.com or sign-up at this week's Planet 45.

PLANET 45 VOLUNTEER OPENINGS! If you're looking to find a place to plug in at Grace

Church, we would love for you to pray about filling a volunteer opening with our amazing fourth and fifth grade ministry. Planet 45 meets on Monday nights from 6-7:30 PM. We have a blast through worship, a lesson, and game time! If you are interested in being a part of the Planet 45 volunteer team, please contact Jena Curnoles at jcurnoles@egracechurch.com.

2ND PUMPKIN TRUCK comes TODAY at 1 PM. All those wanting to work the last two weeks of the Pumpkin Patch for Fundraising Credit must be at unload. Lunch will be provided.

5TH QUARTER PARTY - Middle School and High School Youth: Join us November 8, 9:30 PM-midnight at the GCC for a 5th Quarter Party. Youth can expect Bounce Houses, Laser Tag, Video Games, Food, Prizes, Games, Music, and much more. Bring a 2-Liter of soda & invite your friends!

CHAPERONES NEEDED - Youth Parents, we are in need of chaperones for our 5th Quarter Party (see above announcement). If you are interested, please contact Taylor Foley at tfoley@egracechurch.com.

WORSHIP

*Contact Jennifer Strode, jstrode@egracechurch.com
or Corey Johnson, cjohnson@egracechurch.com*

WORSHIP - We have many opportunities for volunteers in the Worship Arts area: drama, Tech team, creative team, worship planning, and our different worship teams. Please call Jen Strode at 574-7161 ext 239 if you would like more information.

MUSICIANS NEEDED - Our contemporary praise team is seeking musicians. We have many opportunities for experienced players looking to worship through music. We are currently seeking violin, cello, lead guitar and keys players for several of our worship bands. All interested musicians please contact Jen Strode or Corey Johnson.

VOCALISTS - Our sanctuary choir is seeking sopranos, altos, tenors, and basses. They practice Thursday evenings from 7-8:30. Call Jen Strode if you would like to visit a rehearsal or audition.

RECOVERY

*Contact Greg Mulkey
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THIS WEEK OCTOBER 18 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY - Join us at the Cape Coral campus as we hear a lesson on 'Gratitude' by Arlene Jackson as we complete step 11.

STEP STUDY UPDATE - We just started a new women's Step Study group and it will remain open to new attenders for a few more weeks. The next men's group will begin this Tuesday, Oct. 22. If you are interested in joining this group, indicate on your Let's Connect card or contact Greg Mulkey at 574-7161 or gmulkey@egracechurch.com. The Step Study groups are a one-year commitment that will change your life!

CELEBRATE RECOVERY SCHEDULE can be found at egracechurch.com/CR

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
(Wed.) 6:30 PM - 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:

Sat-Sun: 10AM - 3PM
Monday: 10AM - 3PM



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