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WEEKLY

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GRACE CHURCH VISION

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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! 12/31/13 - 01/05/14

Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 1

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - n/a | Friday - 244 | Total: 244

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 - 278 | 10:00 - 773 | 11:30 - 457

Grace Community Center: 10:00 - 184

Ft Myers Shores Campus: 10:00 - 162 | 11:30 - 55

Ft Myers Central Campus: 8:30 - 36 | 10:00 - 122 | Wed. - 121

Total Worship Attendance: 2,596 **Weekend Online Viewers:** 164

Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth: Octane (Sun.) - 54 | Octane (Wed.) - 35 | Revolution - 24
Surge - 35 | Planet 45 - 12

GIVING *Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center*

This Week: General- \$34,319 | Impact- \$5,172 | Missions- \$2,178

This Year: General- \$34,294 | Impact- \$5,172 | Missions- \$2,178

Total Year To Date Giving: \$41,669

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or set up an automatic monthly donation.

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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*.

GRACE NEWS

DARE TO DREAM - If you want to go deeper with the Dare to Dream material, join Pastor Wes and Pastor Kevin for a discussion group that meets tonight at 5 PM in the Connections Cafe (Cape Coral campus). We will explore the "Dare to Dream" sermon series material in depth and help you discover a God-sized mission and purpose for your life. Cost is free - just bring a Bible and a pen. Childcare is not available.

MIKE SLAUGHTER SPEAKING - Saturday, January 25, Mike Slaughter, author of the book that has inspired the Dare to Dream series, is coming to Southwest Florida as one of the keynote speakers at an event sponsored by the district of the United Methodist Church to which Grace Church belongs. Affordably priced tickets will be available for purchase today at church and online. Childcare is available for infant to 10 years old. If you need childcare, call Leigh at 239.574.7161 before January 19.

2014 PET EXPO - The 3rd Annual Forever Friends Pet Expo is scheduled for Saturday, February 22 from 10 AM – 4 PM at the Grace Community Center. There will be pet contests, pet and craft vendors, discounted vaccinations on site, a variety of obedience demonstrations, food, silent auction, bake sale and more. We will also have the first ever Walk in Faith to help bring awareness to the many homeless animals as well as having many dogs and cats on site available for adoption. Contact Carol at 239.574.7161 for more information.

NEW THRIFT STORE HOURS - The Grace Thrift store is expanding its hours to better serve the community and is in great need of additional volunteers to meet the demand. If you could spare just a few hours per week, please contact Donna or Javier at 239.656.0122 for further info or put your name and number with attention Thrift Store on the Let's Connect Card.

GRACE CHURCH CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE - We are looking for players, both men and women, for our spring league. There will be a meeting held on Monday, January 13 at 6:30 PM at the Cape Coral campus. Registration closes Friday, January 17. Anyone interested in playing on the Grace Church league is encouraged to attend. Please contact P.T. Barnum to sign up or for more information, 239.691.8995.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Betty Andrews whose husband, George, passed away Jan. 4. **THE FLOWERS** are given by Cheri Dow and the Isenhouer family in memory of Bill Dow, who would have celebrated his 81st Birthday on January 8.

REACH

Contact Patti Nemazie
pnemazie@egracechurch.com

GARDEN OF GRACE GARDENING CLASSES - We are beginning an exciting series of classes aimed at gardeners and wannabes. The first in the monthly series will be Saturday, January 18 in the GCC Garden at 12 PM. We are encouraging you to bring a brown bag or fast food lunch to enjoy while learning about gardening. The first class called "Small Space Gardening" will focus on Container Gardening, led by Karen Yaeger. No equipment is needed, just sit back and enjoy.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS - AARP Foundation Tax-Aide, the nation's largest free volunteer-run tax preparation and assistance service is seeking volunteers. We have been preparing taxes at the Grace Community Center for 3 years serving an average of 400 clients a year with limited volunteers. We need your help! Volunteers participate in several ways such as greeting tax payers, data organization, administrative duties, as well as the preparation of the individual tax returns. Volunteers directly involved with the tax return receive free tax preparation training. For more information, please contact Cheryl Wilcox 239.671.0087.

GED MINISTRY NEEDS: a business or Rotary club interested in sponsoring the new special calculators that will be needed for the new curriculum. Also needed are one dozen small white boards. Students will no longer be using paper. All work will be done on the personal size whiteboards.

DO YOU KNOW ALEGBRA? The GED Ministry needs 3 volunteers with the gift to work one on one with adult students in Algebra! Sessions are Wednesday evenings from 6 PM to 8 PM or Saturday mornings from 9 to noon. Volunteers will work with 1 to 3 students at different learning levels. If you have a passion for adult learners and Algebra and can donate a couple hours per month, please contact Carmen Salomé at 239.745.5127.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: 2 volunteers with computer/admin gifts needed to be trained on how to give the TABE online test. This test is given three Saturdays (8:30 AM until noon) per month during the GED sessions to all new students registering (four students per Saturday). Contact Carmen Salomé at 239.745.5127.

PRAYER TEAM & COMPUTER TEAM TRAINING - If you're interested in being part of the Third Saturday Outreach prayer team, we are having training on Thursday, January 9 from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Cape Coral campus. If you're interested in training for the computer team, please call Laurie 239.214.1131.

CONNECT

Contact Kevin Griffin
kgriffin@egracechurch.com

SMALL GROUP LEADERS - We are updating our small group information, and we need to hear from you! If you currently lead or facilitate a small group at Grace Church, or if you previously led a small group that no longer meets, please check in with Leigh Jarvis at 239.574.7161 or ljarvis@egracechurch.com so that we can make sure our information is up to date. Also, remember that our first small group leader training event of 2014 is today at 1 PM in the Connections Cafe (Cape Coral campus). Lunch is provided.

MAKING MY CONNECTIONS - The next 4-week "Making My Connections" membership class starts Wednesday, January 22 at 6:30 - 7:30 PM at the Cape Coral campus. You will have an opportunity to ask questions in a fun and interactive environment, learn more and meet new friends at Grace Church. Childcare is available. Cost is free, but please register for the class by contacting Leigh Jarvis at 239.574.7161 or ljarvis@egracechurch.com.

DIVORCE CARE - 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! Class is held on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 1 at the Cape Coral campus. Childcare is provided. Contact Carol Musselman at 239.574.7161 for more details.

CLUTTER BUSTERS - In this new year, do you need an easy plan for living a richer life with less stuff? "It's All Too Much" is the new book Clutter Busters, a small group that meets the second Monday of the month, will be studying starting Monday, January 13 at Panera Bread, from 6:45 PM - 8:45 PM. For more information, contact Joan Campbell at mlecampbel@aol.com or call 239.772.7792.

FORM

Contact Kevin Griffin
kgriffin@egracechurch.com

REGISTER NOW FOR MEN'S RETREAT 2014 - Join men from every campus of Grace Church on the beach in February for "Sons of Grace: The Character of a Godly Man." Pastor Jorge and Pastor Wes, along with other special guests, will lead the weekend. February 7-9 at Christian Retreat Center on Fort Myers Beach. Registration is only \$50, which includes meals. Limited lodging space is available at the retreat center for an additional \$50. Sign up online at egracechurch.com/men or stop by the Welcome Center today at the Cape Coral campus.

REGISTER NOW FOR 2014 WOMEN'S RETREAT - Men, you don't want to miss the opportunity to get the "Perfect gift for the Perfect Women in your life!" Ladies, join women from every campus of Grace Church at the DaySpring Spiritual Retreat Center for a relaxing spiritual retreat April 12-13. The cost is \$85, which includes lodging, meals, program materials and more. For more details, contact Paulette Jones at 239.896.7370, or visitegracechurch.com/women.

REGISTER NOW FOR TRANSFORM CLASSES - Register today for a class at the TransFORM table. Refer to the class schedule book for opportunities in the Spring 2014 session. More information is available online at egracechurch.com/transform.

SEND

*Contact Patti Nemazie
pnemazie@egracechurch.com*

GHANA TEAM REPORT: Sunday, January 19 at 1 PM in Room 5. Learn what God is doing in Ghana brought to you by the Ghana team members, David & Sam Bowling, Toni Dattolico, Neil Johnson, Patti Nemazie, and CV Elliott. Pizza provided.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SEND GLOBAL 2014, our annual celebration of our worldwide partnerships in sharing the gospel. Dates are February 26 through March 2. Renew your passion for those in our world who have not heard the Good News. Fellowship with our mission partners from around the globe. Let the Holy Spirit move you to new frontiers of proclaiming and demonstrating the Gospel. Our theme this year is "A Heart for the Harvest."

AGE LEVEL

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

SUMMER 2014 SAVE THE DATES: June 1-6: High School Mission trip to Costa Rica; June 9-13: Warren Willis Camp for grades 3-12; June 23-27: Vacation Bible Camp for Preschool-5th grade; July 26: Shoes of Hope.

WORSHIP

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

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER BAND is looking for EXPERIENCED musicians. Primarily Keyboard, Lead Guitar and Bass. If interested, please contact Scott at 239.851.3842.

SET TEAM - The Grace Set Team has begun work on set designs for 2014. If you are interested in painting, building, and helping with creative designs, we need you! Please contact Jen Strode at 239.574.7161.

SINGERS - We currently have opportunities for experienced singers on our worship teams and to help with special music. Please contact Jen at 239.574.7161 to schedule an audition.

MUSICIANS NEEDED - We have opportunities to include more brass, string, & woodwind instruments. Please contact Corey Johnson if you are interested at 239.574.7161

CELEBRATE RECOVERY - Our Celebrate Recovery program is currently seeking experienced musicians to help lead worship on Friday nights. Please contact Jen strode or Scott McDonald at 239.574.7161.

RECOVERY

Contact Greg Mulkey
gmulkey@egracechurch.com

THIS WEEK JANUARY 10 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY - Join us at the Cape Coral campus and hear a personal testimony by Leslie E. as she shares her experience, strength, and hope.

WOMEN'S FOOD RECOVERY GROUP - The new Women's Food Recovery group using the "Daniel Plan" is now meeting Friday at 5:30 PM in Room 3.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY FRIDAYS *at the Cape Coral Campus:*

5:30 - 6:30 PM: Dinner **6:45 PM:** Large Group Celebration **6:45-9 PM:** Surge (middle and high-school age) **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



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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
(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: 9AM - 4PM
Wednesdays: 9AM - 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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