GIGCE VEEKLY May 11, 2014

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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! APRIL 28 - May 4, 2014 Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 2

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - 67 | Friday - 241 | Total: 308 Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 - 218 | 10:00 - 727 | 11:30 - 379 Grace Community Center: 10:00 - 176 Ft Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 - 43 | 10:00 - 167 Ft Myers Central Campus: 8:30 - 25 | 10:00 - 174 | Wed. - 188 Total Worship Attendance: 2,549 Weekend Online Viewers: 144 Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth: Octane (Sun.) - 68 | Octane (Wed.) - 32 | Revolution - 36 Surge - 38 | Planet 45 - 23

GIVING *Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center* **This Week:** General- \$36,022 | Impact- \$7,189 | Missions- \$4,863 **This Year:** General- \$558,688 | Impact- \$79,973 | Missions- \$73,314 **Total Year To Date Giving:** \$711,975

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GRACE CHURCH STRATEGY

REACH	ministries that <i>engage</i> and invite unchurched <i>people</i> in our community to <i>experience</i> the love of <i>Jesus</i> through the body of Christ.
CONNECT	ministries that help people <i>connect</i> to Jesus and the Grace Church <i>family</i> .
FORM	ministries that help <i>people</i> have a <i>growing</i> and transforming <i>relationship</i> with Jesus Christ.
SEND	ministries that <i>release</i> God's <i>people</i> to make the realities of heaven the <i>realities of earth</i> .

GRACE NEWS

MOTHER'S DAY PORTRAITS - Complimentary family portraits will be taken in the church courtyard (Cape Coral campus) today from 9:30 AM - 1 PM. Please provide your email at the time your photo is being taken to receive a digital copy. Your printed copy will be available for pick up during the services next week. For more info, contact Tonya Roberts at 239.677.6640.

KRAZY KARAOKE FAMILY NIGHT - Mission Fundraiser at the Grace Community Center, May 24. Come out for a night of food, fun and entertainment. Contact the church office or mark the back of your "Let's Connect" card to purchase your \$5 dinner ticket or \$30 for a table of 8! Benefiting the Mexico and Costa Rica mission teams.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: It's time to bring in toys for boys this month, such as small balls, party favors, and anything else you'd like to offer! Cash donations are always welcome, as we are able to buy in bulk items such as notebooks, pencils, crayons, etc. We are still searching for gently used or new small stuffed animals! Remember: no liquids, gels, chocolate, war toys, or religious items. Save the religious items for YOUR boxes in Oct. & Nov.! Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - If you have a passion to welcome people to Grace Church and share God's love through a warm smile and handshake, consider serving in one of these areas: Connections Café, greeter, parking lot ministry or usher. For more information, please contact Sherri Wambolt at 239.872.2925 or indicate your interest on your Let's Connect card.

FITNESS FOR FAITH ministry is looking for individuals willing to donate a small amount of time to help our Grace Church Family get fit in 2014 and stay fit! If you can teach, yoga, pilates, P90X, Zumba or any other fitness class, we need your help to keep our fitness ministry running throughout the spring and summer months! If interested, please mark your Let's Connect card.

THE PINK ROSE is to celebrate the birth of Kynzlie Jayden Ingram on May 5. She is the daughter of Jeremy & Elizabeth Ingram and the granddaughter of Ruth Ann Claar.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Margie Strickland whose mother, Geraldine Clear, passed away on May 4.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended the Nancy Lucas and family in the passing of her son, Patrick Lucas, on May 5. A Memorial Service will be held at the Cape Coral campus of Grace Church on Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 PM.

REACH

Contact Patti Nemazie pnemazie@egracechurch.com

READY TO QUIT SMOKING? FREE "Tools to Quit" class offered every Third Saturday at the Grace Community Center at 10 AM in Room 6. This intensive two-hour group counseling session is designed to provide tobacco users with the necessary tools to develop a plan to quit for life. To register please call 877.848.6696 or go to www.ahectobacco.com.

NO GED CLASS on Saturday, May 24 for the Memorial Day weekend. Will resume Thursday, May 29.

GARDEN OF GRACE - Last Day to purchase produce, see Susanne outside this morning. Our next class will be on medicinal uses for plants taught by Alison from ECHO on Saturday, May 17 at 12 PM in the Garden.

BIBLICAL GARDEN - The Grace Biblical Garden team will be meeting at 7 PM on Tuesday, May 13 in the garden. All interested in helping with the Biblical Garden should attend. Tribute bricks or benches for the Biblical Garden Project can still be purchased by contacting Karen at 239.898.3605. Bricks start as low as \$40.

EXCEPTIONAL ENTREPRENEURS FOREVER FLOWER - ORDER NOW! A unique, one of a kind, garden art flower made by one of our very own GCC Exceptional Entrepreneurs (AKA Worm farming ministry). Flowers are hand made and designed by our exceptional entrepreneurs for only \$15. You can place an order by calling 239.574.7161 ext 251 or stop by the Exceptional Entrepreneurs workshop (next door to GCC) at 4351 Hancock Bridge Pkwy, Tuesday-Thursday 9 AM - 1 PM and choose your own flower.

CONNECT

Contact Kevin Griffin kgriffin@egracechurch.com

MUG MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Do you have a passion to welcome first time visitors at Grace Church? As a Mug Ministry volunteer, you have the opportunity to encourage visitors to explore all Grace Church has to offer. Our volunteers receive assignments for mug deliveries in the Fort Myers and Cape Coral areas. If you would like more information, please email Cindi Ryerson at cryerson@embarqmail.com.

GROUP 10-51 - All public servants (police, firefighters, EMS, etc.) are invited to join this small group for a time of fellowship and bible study. For more information, please contact Dan Trapheagen atgrouptenfiftyone@gmail.com.

COED SOFTBALL - Grace Church is now forming teams to play in a Friday night coed church league through Cape Coral Parks & Rec. No experience necessary! Games begin mid-May and run through the summer. New male and female players are needed. Come get some exercise and meet some new friends! For registration information, contact PT Barnum at 239-691-8995 or cc9800@embarqmail.com.

FORM

Contact Kevin Griffin kgriffin@egracechurch.com

CULTIVATING CONTENTMENT - Would you like to be able to find satisfaction in daily living that cannot be ruffled by circumstances? Come, and allow God to cultivate a heart of contentment in you through this Women of Faith series, meeting on Monday evenings. All women are welcome! Contact Paulette Jones for more information at 239.896.7370.

ADVENTUROUS PRAYER - There is One who awaits us, delights in us, and longs for our undivided attention. Learn how to enter the privileged sanctuary of prayer on the adventure of building your relationship with the Savior. This Women of Faith study meets Wednesday evenings in Room 4 at the Cape Coral campus. 6:30 PM- 7:45 PM. Childcare is available. For more information, contact Paulette Jones at 239.896.7370.

MEN'S GROUPS - New men's small groups are currently forming. These groups meet for one hour once a week or every other week in various locations for Bible study, prayer, and friendship. Get connected to a "band of brothers"! For more information, email Mike Wilson at mike126.wilson@gmail.com or call 239.574.7161. Save the date for our next "Sons of Grace" Men's Retreat, on September 13-14 at Fort Myers Beach. Registration coming soon.

WORK IS WORSHIP - Do you feel as though your job has little meaning or purpose? Does God really care about your work life? Join us the first and third Tuesday of every month at 8 AM - 9 AM in Room 6, Cape Coral campus, for a small group DVD study by Andy Stanley. For more information, contact Chris Horseman at 239.280.6208.

GOD SPEAKS TO MAN; MAN SPEAKS TO GOD: A STUDY OF THE PSALMS - Led by Randall Cook. 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM Wednesdays in the Connections Café (Cape Coral campus). Childcare available. Contact Leigh Jarvis at 239.574.7161 or ljarvis@egracechurch.com for more information.

SEND

A WORD FROM Ray Zirkel serving in Costa Rica:

"Our hearts are heavy today. Thieves broke into the office at the Children's Home last night. They stole our computer and our heavy metal safe. Yes, it did have money in it. They also let all the air our of the tires of the van. Please pray for us." (Lidia Zirkel and Ella Bell Faircloth)

A WORD FROM Bri Butler serving with Samaritan's Purse:

"On the 28th of April, Louisville, Mississippi was hit by an EF-4 tornado. It killed 12 people in this community alone. On April 29th I was asked to start my drive to Louisville & on the 30th we hit the ground running. The damage in this community is unimaginable & the people here have a long road of recovery ahead of them. On this deployment, I am serving as a Team Leader and we are the "Tarp Team". We go out to houses to secure Samaritan's Purse tarps over the roofs, while we roast in the sun - but all in the name of Jesus! It has been a great first week here in Louisville. We have taken in over 120 requests for help & have completed about 9. We have had 150+ volunteers come through this site already. No salvations yet, but we are earning our right to witness which comes with time. Please keep Samaritan's Purse, the staff, the volunteers, and the team leaders in prayer as well as the sweet people of Louisville, MS."

DISASTER RELIEF TEAM NOW FORMING: If you are interested in serving with Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief alongside our mission partner Bri Butler in Louisville, Mississippi, where an F4 tornado hit, please mark the back of your Let's Connect card "disaster relief." Tentative serving dates are May 19-24. For more info contact Patti Nemazie, 239.574.7161, pnemazie@ egracechurch.com.

AGE LEVEL

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

SHOES OF HOPE 2014 - Mark your calendars for this year's event on Saturday, August 2. Be sure to stop by the information kiosk today to sponsor a child and/or sign up to volunteer! Registration forms for children in need are now available in the children's building.

IT'S A SLEEPOVER - We're ending the school year right with a Boys vs. Girls Sleepover for all 4th and 5th graders. Don't miss the fun on Saturday, May 24 at 6:30 PM. Registration forms are in the children's building!

REVOLUTION - To kick off the summer, Revolution (our high school ministry) will be held at Sky Zone in Ft. Myers on May 25, 6-7 PM. Bring \$16 and a friend. For more info or any questions, contact Taylor Foley.

SMALL WONDERS PRESCHOOL, a ministry of Grace Church is now enrolling for the new school year. We have openings for children ages 2 through 5, including the state funded VPK program with wrap around care. Spaces are limited and will fill fast, so contact Heather at the school for more information at 239.573.6890.

PLANET 45 HOLIDAY - There will not be Planet 45 Monday, May 26. Enjoy your holiday! **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!** June 23-27 will be the best week of the summer where kids will learn that Jesus' love is one of a kind! Make a note on your Let's Connect card to be contacted to serve. You don't want to miss the fun! Download registration forms for your kids at egracechurch.com/cc-vbs.

GRACE KIDZ SUMMER CAMP is filling up FAST! Stop by Grace Place for more information or contact Heather Evans.

WORSHIP

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

VOCAL WORSHOPS - Do you like to sing? Wish you knew more about singing? Does the word audition freak you out? Then join us for the next two months as the worship team hosts vocal workshops and practices that are open to all with a heart for Worship! Our first VOCAL WORKSHOP IS 5 PM-7 PM, Thursday, May 22 in Room 7. Watch the Grace Weekly for more info. **WORSHIP & TECH** - Please contact Jen Strode if you would like to audition to join any of the teams who lead worship. We are currently looking for people interested in furthering their musical gifts to serve the Kingdom through worship. Other teams involved in Worship arts include: DRAMA TEAM, SET TEAM, TECH TEAM, and the STAGING TEAM. Please contact Jen at 239.574.7161 to get plugged in!

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER BAND is looking for EXPERIENCED musicians. Primarily keyboard, lead guitar and bass. We are also seeking sound and visual techs. Come join our growing team of committed servants who love doing 'behind the scenes' service. If interested, please contact Scott at 239.851.3842.

RECOVERY

Contact Greg Mulkey gmulkey@egracechurch.com

THIS WEEK MAY 16 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY – Join us at the Cape Coral campus and hear a lesson on Inventory by Paulette J. as we continue through step 4.

WOMEN'S FOOD RECOVERY GROUP - We have just started a new group using the "Daniel Plan" which is only a 7 week workshop. There's still time to join!

NEW STEP STUDY GROUPS - The next 2 Step Study groups for men and women will be starting in July. Watch here for dates!

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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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

14006 Matanzas Drive Fort Myers, FL 33905 239.694.2797

Worship Times:

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

Grace Community Center

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway North Fort Myers, FL 33903 239.574.7161 **Worship Times:** 10:00AM - Contemporary

GCC Thrift Store

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway North Fort Myers, FL 33903 239.656.0122 Hours:

Mon: 9AM - 12PM (Donations) 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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