

# grace

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## WEEKLY

To PARTNER *with* GOD in TRANSFORMING  
**people** from unbelievers to *fully devoted*  
DISCIPLES of Jesus to the  
GLORY OF GOD.

September 14, 2014

## NEW TO GRACE CHURCH?

**IF YOU ARE A FIRST TIME VISITOR, WELCOME!** - We don't want to embarrass you by asking you to stand up or raise your hand, but we do want to give you a very warm welcome! We want you to know we are glad you're here, so would you please take a moment to fill out a Let's Connect Card? You will find it in the back of the pew right in front of you. Make sure you grab some sweets and a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall, which is located on the east side of the Worship Center. If you have questions, or want to speak to one of our ministry leaders, please feel free to call our church office at 239.694.2797.

**WE LOVE KIDS!** - During the 10 AM Sunday service, we offer a full **Children's Worship** time. Children are invited to go to Grace Place, which is located in the Fellowship Hall. We also have a **Nursery** available during all Sunday worship services to provide a safe and welcoming place for children, newborn to three years of age. The nursery has responsible loving people, toys, and books to provide for the needs of your child. We also have a beeper system in place to contact you, if your child needs you.

We have two worship services each week and various programs throughout the week:

Sunday 8:30 AM Traditional      Sunday 10:00 AM Contemporary

Please join us for a **free** continental breakfast on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday 6 - 8 PM Youth program - E-Team and Revolution

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: September 01 - 07, 2014

**Fort Myers Shores Campus:** 8:30 AM - 38 | 10:00 AM - 159 | Wed - 64

**Cape Coral Campus:** 8:30 AM - 206 | 10 AM - 582 | 11:30 AM - 463

**Online Viewers:**

**Fort Myers Central Campus:** 8:30 AM - 32 | 10 AM - 169 | Wed - 156

**Grace Community Center:** 10 AM - 158

**Celebrate Recovery:** Tuesday - 75 | Friday - 198

**Total Worship Attendance: 2300**

**GIVING:** *Fort Myers Shores Campus*

**General Fund:** 08/31/2014 \$4,553.09 09/07/2014 \$7,814.28

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# WHATS HAPPENING AT - Fort Myers Shores

★ **WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS** - Melissa Wisniewski, Forest Getter, Carol Ann Morales, Robert Morales, Brian Stevenson and Michele Stevenson. Please join in making each of them feel welcome here as part of the family, at Grace Church Fort Myers Shores!

**TODAY** **IN CELEBRATION** - Please join us at 2PM this afternoon in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate Michelle Weger's ministry and send her off with our encouragement and love.

**REMINDER** **PART TIME JOBS!** - Our nursery still has openings for individuals who love little ones and want to care for them while their parents are in worship or classes. We have both lead and assistant openings. Because nothing is more important than the safety of our children, lead candidates must be over 18, and both background checks and child protection classes are required. This is your opportunity to make a lifelong impact in the life of a child! Applications are available at the office between 9-1 Monday through Thursday or you may request one from Michele at [mjarke@egracechurch.com](mailto:mjarke@egracechurch.com).

**TODAY** **DO YOU LIKE TO LAUGH OUT LOUD?** - It's not too late to be a part of this class! Attend this hilarious, no-holds-barred marriage experience--and you may finally understand the difference between men and women. With humor and entertaining illustrations, Mark Gungor makes learning the dynamics of male/female relationships biblical, enjoyable, effective, and memorable. Sessions include "The Tale of Two Brains," "How to Stay Married and Not Kill Anybody," and more. Classes started today in the corner classroom at 8:30AM. If you missed it today, just be a part of it next week. There is no fee for the class, but registration is required. You do not have to be married to attend! Mark your "Let's Connect" card "Marriage" or call the church office and let us know you want to be part of this!

**TODAY** **DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY** – Don't be discouraged you can still get in on this class! This life enriching experience will give greater meaning to your life as you learn the overarching Biblical themes that tie the Old and New Testaments together. Even those who've followed Jesus for years will experience a deepening of faith. You will participate in a small group that will meet weekly to study, reflect, pray, and grow together. Materials for the course are \$45 dollars, but are FREE to the first 6 people who fully invest themselves in this class. DISCIPLE will meet starting **today** at 8:30AM. In classroom 2, if you missed it today no worries. Just Write "Disciple" on your "Let's Connect" card or call the office and get in on this incredible time of growth.

**NEW** **FOOD PANTRY** - Did you notice the shopping cart in the Welcome Center? It's because we are growing our pantry to fulfill the greater vision of feeding our neighbors and your can and boxed food donation will help. Won't you partner with us and fill our shopping cart each week? To God be the Glory!

# REACH

*visit the REACH wall in the Welcome Area.*

**KICKING IT WITH JC** - Martial Arts/self-defense classes are available on Monday evenings at 8PM for adults, and on Thursday evenings at 7PM for anyone 8 years old or older. This takes place in the Fellowship Hall, and there is no charge! If you wish to be a part of this or need more info call Bryan and Tricia Carpenter at 239.826.2032 .

Update!

**UPWARD SPORTS** - Football and cheerleading registrations are complete, and this week practices are 9/16 or 9/18. Upward is still in need of volunteers to assist, if you are feeling called to be a part of this team please contact Ryan Pitts 239.980.0511, Brian Stevenson 239.745.0457, Michele Stevenson 469.952.1192, or Jessica Llado 239.980.1736 for more information or questions.

# CONNECT

*Contact Robin Morrison at [rmorrison@egracechurch.com](mailto:rmorrison@egracechurch.com)  
or visit the CONNECT wall in the Welcome Area.*

**SEWING GROUP** - Love to sew? Bring your sewing machine and join with other talented people on the second and fourth Wed. of each month. The group is now meeting each week on Wednesday from 9 -11 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Come and experience fun and fellowship as we create lap blankets for some very deserving children, many of whom do not have a blanket of their own. If you need more info, call Glenda Johnson at 239.694.8662.

**JOY GROUP** – Calling all seniors, from 50 to 100+! Join the Joy Group each Monday at 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fun, friendship and fellowship. Come and join us on September 15, for Games week! Then on September 22 at 12:00 PM, it's off to have lunch at Pine Ridge and a Movie Day that's! You don't want to miss a single week - there's always interesting speakers and enjoyable activities. Do you need a ride? Call Adela at 239.694.8035 or Alberta at 239.694.8139. All are welcome – spread the word!

**WOMEN OF FAITH** - Super line up! Patsy Clairmont AND Sheila Walsh AND Anita Renfro! If you have never heard of these women, come to the event and they will feel like friends by the time you leave. If you are a veteran WOF'er, consider inviting someone new. Girlfriends, if this sounds like something you want to be part of, call 1.888.49.FAITH (888.493.2484) to order your tickets. There are still some good seats available. Carpooling and room sharing available, contact Robin Morrison for more details 239.340.8267.

**women of faith**™ TOUR  
FROM SURVIVAL TO REVIVAL 2014

## FORM

Contact the Church Office [shoresoffice@egracechurch.com](mailto:shoresoffice@egracechurch.com)  
or visit the FORM wall in the Welcome Area.

**JOY PRAYER BIBLE STUDY** - If you are 55 or older then bring your Bible and prayer requests and enjoy this opportunity of study in the Word. We meet in the small Fellowship Hall enjoy coffee and donuts on Thursdays 9:30 - 12 PM. Have questions, then call Lesley at 239.693.5431.

**MEN'S SMALL GROUP** - Men, you are invited to Dunkin Donuts at 6 AM on Friday mornings for what may be some of the best time you will spend each week! The Holy Spirit does something in the lives of people involved in small groups that is profound, powerful and important. Just show up with a ready heart, there is space for you!

**WOMEN OF GRACE BIBLE STUDY** - Come join us each Wednesday from 10-11:30 AM in Classroom 2 at the church where we read and study scripture, enjoy field trips, movies and other exciting events. Please contact Denny Pendarvis with any questions at 239.303.2054.

## SEND

Contact Neil Johnson [njohnson@Gods\\_grace1@msn.com](mailto:njohnson@Gods_grace1@msn.com)  
or visit the SEND wall in the Welcome Area.

★ **SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK** - "The seed that fell on good soil represents those who truly hear and understand God's word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!" Matthew 13:23 (NLT)

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** - God has given Grace Church, all four sites, the awesome goal of filling 8,000 shoe boxes this year for distribution to children in need all around the world. These boxes have been instrumental in showing the love of Jesus and changing lives. On September 28, 2014 AT 11:30 AM, we have the goal of filling 500 boxes, sign up sheets coming soon.

For the month of September we are collecting:

**Toys such as cars, dolls, games, coloring books, ect.**

**KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY** - Are you being called to be a part of this team? Kairos is widely recognized as a highly effective program, which helps to change the lives of incarcerated people. The word Kairos means "God's Special Time." Kairos Prison Ministry is involved with men, women and youthful offenders. Kairos is widely recognized as a highly effective program, which helps to change the lives of incarcerated people. We do two weekends a year; and there are a number of ways you can get involved. You can be a prayer partner, a support volunteer, or a ministry financial booster. Teams are forming now; call John Garvey for more info at 239.243.6882 or email [sarge1cav@aol.com](mailto:sarge1cav@aol.com).

**DIASTER RELIEF** - "Working through Samaritan's Purse to help disaster victims is a great way to show Christ's love. Samaritan's Purse handles all details of the work so volunteers can just come and work. Seeing the home owner's response as we complete their house is priceless!" -Bob Johnson. To be part of a short term disaster relief team, contact Bri Butler at 631-626-7007 or [bributler2@aol.com](mailto:bributler2@aol.com)

# AGE LEVEL

Contact Beverly Cox at [bcox@egracechurch.com](mailto:bcox@egracechurch.com)  
Contact shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

**GRACE PLACE** - On **Sunday mornings from 10 - 11 AM**, Grace Place is where kids want to be! Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade students have fun with musical worship, activities, and a Bible lesson that goes along with the sermon their parents are hearing. Come to the Fellowship Hall and join friends you know and those you still have yet to meet as we praise God together!

**E-TEAM** - Pre-K through 5th grade students are in for an *awesome* time **Wednesday evenings from 6 - 8 PM**. We start with a free dinner and then enjoy learning about Jesus through music, Bible stories, crafts and games! Come hang with us! You'll be glad you did!

**STUDENT MINISTRY** - Students grades 6-12 are invited to join us on Wednesday night for a fun time of hanging out, playing games, worship, and a message about how God wants to relate to us! We begin with a free dinner at 6 PM and programming ends at 8 PM .

★ ★ **DO YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH KIDS?** - We are still looking for Shepherds for E- Team! We need people on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 until 8:00 to escort and assist groups of children as they rotate through activities. The planning and teaching are done for you. You just get to enjoy the kids! Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to shine your light for Jesus. More info, contact Beverly at [bcox@egracechurch.com](mailto:bcox@egracechurch.com)

# RECOVERY

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**GRACE CHURCH CENTRAL CAMPUS** - will be launching a Celebrate Recovery Program on Monday nights starting October 6. Dinner at 5:30, Large Group at 6:30, Small groups at 7:45.

**GET FIT** - Join us for a Yoga workout on Monday and walk away the pounds on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Choir Room. You can do the **FREE** program, regardless of your age or fitness level, you will leave feeling better! Call Jacque Rippe for more info at 694-0451.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - If you have a drinking problem, you are not alone. You will find a warm welcome from people who have been where you are. "Anonymity and confidentiality" are the core of this group. Join us Thursday evenings at 8 PM in Room 2.

**ARE YOU A GOOD LISTENER?** - Last chance for Stephen Ministry class. Stephen Ministry provides personal, Christ centered care to people experiencing grief, illness, stress and other difficulties. Stephen Ministers serve as caring friends who listen, pray, and encourage. You are invited to consider this ministry! Applications are available on the "Connect" wall. For more information, contact C.J. Hartsell at [soule56@hotmail.com](mailto:soule56@hotmail.com).

# A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Family-

This morning, I have a mixture of emotions as we are led in worship by Michelle Weger! Michelle has been my ministry partner, encourager and someone who has challenged me to “think outside the box” just short of two years. She started just one week before me and together with our teams we have sought to glorify God in all the ministries of Grace Church.

So, like you, I will miss Michelle.

But I am so very happy for her! It is a great blessing to see someone who is listening to the Lord, taking risky steps to follow His call, and getting confirmation along the way. This move is truly of God.

Please join us at 2 PM this afternoon to celebrate her ministry and send her off with our encouragement and love!

I Love Being Your Pastor and I Love You!



Pastor Shari Lacey  
slacey@egracechurch.com



## Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM

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## LEADERSHIP

	<b>Lead Pastor</b>	<b>Jorge Acevedo*</b>
	<b>Campus Pastor</b>	<b>Shari Lacey*</b>
<b>Director of Worship and Youth Ministries</b>		<b>Michelle Weger*</b>
<b>Director of Children's Ministries</b>		<b>Beverly Cox*</b>
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>		<b>Michele Jarke*</b>
<b>Care Team</b>		<b>Judy Edwards</b>
<b>Connect Team</b>		<b>Robin Morrison*</b>
<b>Send Team</b>		<b>Neil Johnson</b>
<b>Facilities</b>		<b>Chris Fraley</b>
<b>Finance</b>		<b>Charlotte Nesta*</b>
<b>Nursery Coordinator</b>		<b>Gail Leindecker</b>
<b>Organist/Traditional Choir</b>		<b>Millicent Callobre</b>

\*You can easily send an email to these staff members by using their first initial and last name @egracechurch.com

EXAMPLE: Doe, John= jdoe@egracechurch.com

Other inquiries can be sent to shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

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

## GOD'S VISION FOR GRACE CHURCH IS:

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

### FORT MYERS SHORES CAMPUS

14036 Matanzas Drive  
Fort Myers, FL 33905  
239.694.2797

#### Worship Times:

8:30 AM - Traditional  
10:00 AM Contemporary

### CAPE CORAL CAMPUS

13 SE 21st Place  
Cape Coral, FL 33990  
239.574.7161

#### Worship Times:

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

### FORT MYERS CENTRAL CAMPUS

2415 Grand Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
239.334.3160

#### Worship Times:

8:30 AM - Traditional  
10 AM- Contemporary  
6:30 PM (Wed) - Contemporary

### GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.1320

#### Worship Times:

10 AM - Contemporary

### GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER THRIFT STORE

4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  
239.656.0122

#### Hours:

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

### FORT MYERS CENTRAL THRIFT STORE

2415 Grand Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
239.244.5712

#### Hours:

Saturday - Monday  
10 AM - 3 PM



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