Grace WEEKLY November 9, 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! Oct. 28 - Nov. 2, 2014 Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 0

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - 54 | Friday - 106 | Total: 160 **Cape Coral Campus:** 8:30 - 235 | 10:00 - 650 | 11:30 - 393 **Grace Community Center:** 10:00 - 173 **Fort Myers Shores Campus:** 8:30 - 40 | 10:00 - 164 **Fort Myers Central Campus:** 8:30 - 27 | 10:00 - 159 | Wed. - 134 **Total Worship Attendance:** 2,223 Weekend Online Viewers: 88 **Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth:** Octane (Sun.) - 60 | Octane (Wed.) - 40 | Revolution - 38 Surge - n/a | Planet 45 - 17

	Needed Weekly	Last Week	Needed YTD	Received YTD	Over (Under)
General Fund	\$32,692	n/a	\$1,438,448	n/a	n/a
Impact	\$3,804	n/a	\$167,376	n/a	n/a

GIVING	Cape Coral	Campus & Grace	Community Center
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Faith Promise Given Last Week - n/a

Received YTD - n/a

Give online! Make a one-time donation, or set up an automatic monthly donation.

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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

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DESSERT! We are so thankful for all of our Grace Church Volunteer Servants, and the pastors and staff of all four sites and would like to honor you on Monday, November 17 at the Grace Community Center at 6:30 PM. Dessert and some very special entertainment and inspiration will be provided! You WON'T want to miss this! Please RSVP if you plan on attending by writing "Volunteer Appreciation" on your Let's Connect card, calling the church office, 239.574.7161, or email info@egracechurch.com.

THANK YOU CITY OF CAPE CORAL! The Grace Community Center was awarded a grant through the City of Cape Coral Community Development Block Grant for the 3rd consecutive year. We thank them for their partnership with the center!

10,000 AND COUNTING - Operation Christmas Child continues! Through our partnership with Samaritans Purse, you are invited to join in the power of a simple gift that will be given to a child in poverty in another country. You now have the opportunity to pack your own shoebox for a child and you are invited to add in any age-appropriate Christian materials. Pick up a flyer in the lobby to learn more. Drop your packed and labeled boxes at the Grace Community Center during Collection Week November 17-23.

REACH

OMA'S HEART - On December 6, Oma's Heart will be serving our community for the 4th year. We are excited to announce that Lee County School District has partnered with Oma's Heart. This year the District will refer over 325 families that are struggling financially and truly need help providing Christmas gifts. In addition, Oma's Heart will issue 175 vouchers to other local organizations; 500 local families will have Christmas gifts for their children this year. If you would like to volunteer or make a donation, we will be in the Narthex on November 23 and 30, or contact Audrey McFalls at 239.989.6718.

ADOPT-A-CHILD - For more than 10 years, we have helped the Children's Network of Southwest Florida with foster children in Lee County at Christmas time, giving 200+ children a wonderful holiday. We will be starting our annual Adopt-A-Child drive on November 16. If you would like to be part of the team, contact Shannon Eaton at 239.292.1244, or if you would like to help by giving a gift, stop by our table in the Narthex starting on Sunday, November 16.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD COLLECTION WEEK is November 17-23, and we need volunteers to welcome other churches as they drop off their shoeboxes from all over SW Florida. We will also need some strong individuals to put the cartons on the truck each day. Please sign up in the Narthex today. We also have some shoeboxes available if you would still like to pack a shoebox. They are due back to the church on November 16. For more information, please contact Caprecia Turner at 239.207.4290.

CONNECT

Contact Kevin Griffin kgriffin@egracechurch.com

LIFE IS BETTER TOGETHER - If you're not in a small group, now is the time to start one! Grab a couple of friends and invite them to form a group with you for the rest of our "Circle Maker" sermon series in November, which explores how to pray bold prayers for our biggest dreams and greatest fears. We've created videos and discussion questions available for free to groups of all sizes that will dig deeper into each week's sermon, along with a "How to Host a Small Group" guide to help you get started on the journey. For more help and encouragement, stop by the Circle Maker table today.

MOMS OF GRACE - Note the correction below: 12-2 PM! Parenting a preschooler is a journey of ups and downs, bringing lots of joy and requiring lots of grace. But you don't have to make that journey alone. We are a group of moms at Grace Church who want to support each other with friendship, encouragement, and prayer. Whether you are single or married, stay at home or work a full-time job, if you are parenting a child from birth to 5 years old (VPK), then our group is for you! Join us for our fall kickoff: 12-2 PM tomorrow, November 10, at the Cape Coral Campus playground. School is out so older siblings are welcome, too. For more information contact Christina Monhollen at 239.292.7872 or cmonhollen913@gmail.com.

SERVE IN A CONNECT MINISTRY - If you enjoy making people smile and helping guests feel welcome, there is a place for you in our Connect ministries! Right now, we are looking for new volunteers to join our Parking Lot team, our Sunday Greeters team (especially at Cape Campus 11:30 AM), and our Sunday Ushers team (especially at Cape Campus 8:30 AM). Also, we are looking for volunteers to join our Connections Cafe team on Sundays to help prepare and serve coffee and pastries to our guests. Stop by the Connect table today for more information or contact Sherri Wambolt at 239.872.2925 or wamboltfamily@gmail.com.

JOIN THE MEALS MINISTRY - If you enjoy blessing people with food, this ministry is for you! After someone in our church experiences a major life event, like the birth of a child, death of a loved one, or a stay in the hospital, a group of caring volunteers arranges meal delivery to their family. Meals can be home-cooked or picked up from a restaurant if you don't cook. Volunteers serve only as often as they are able. Stop by the Meals Ministry table today to find out more or call Amy Rexroat at 239.229.5417. If you are in need of the Meals Ministry, call the church office at 239.574.7161 or send an email to meals@egracechurch.com.

BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER - We are a group of regular people trained to provide one-onone Christ-centered care for people who are going through tough times, such as grief, divorce, job loss, illness, and other life crises. If you have a heart for encouraging and helping others, this ministry might be a perfect fit for your gifts. The Stephen Ministry community provides you with training, ongoing education and supervision, and a support network. Stop by our table today to find out more or send an email to Pastor Cindy at cjones@egracechurch.com. If you are in need of a Stephen Minister, call the church office at 239.574.7161 or write "Stephen Minister" on your Let's Connect card.

FORM

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BIBLE STUDY FOR ADVENT + CHRISTMAS - Join Pastor Cindy for a 5-week journey through the events of the Christmas story from the perspective of Mary. The birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus take on new meaning for us when we look at them through Mary's eyes. The Bible study is based on the book "Not a Silent Night" by pastor and author Adam Hamilton. Two options are available: 10 AM Wednesdays or 6:30 PM Wednesdays, both beginning this week on November 12 in Room 7 (Cape Coral campus). The book is not required to participate in the class, but it is available online at cokesbury.com (Abingdon Press, 2014). Childcare for birth-5th grade is available during the evening class only at Grace Place. Register online at egracechurch.com/transform or write "Not a Silent Night - 10 AM / 6:30 PM" on your Let's Connect card. **WALK TO EMMAUS** - This once-in-a-lifetime spiritual retreat weekend, sponsored by the Gulf Coast Emmaus Community, will inspire, challenge, and equip you to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus. People who have attended the Walk to Emmaus describe it as a life-changing and unforgettable experience. The next weekends will meet at a Christian retreat center in Lee County and are scheduled for January 15-18, 2015 (men) and January 22-25, 2015 (women). For more information, write "Walk to Emmaus" on your Let's Connect card or go to www. gulfcoastemmaus.com.

SEND

Contact Patti Nemazie pnemazie@egracechurch.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SEND GLOBAL 2015 MISSION CONFERENCE - FEBRUARY 4 -8, 2015 - "HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE" ACTS 1:8. This is an exciting time of year when we fly in our Grace Church Mission Partners from around the world, to share with us how our Faith Promise dollars have been at work around the world.

TWELVE CHURCHES ESTELI OPERATIONAL TEAM - The EOT is now looking to expand and we are currently accepting applications from individuals interested in being a part of this exciting opportunity to serve God in global missions. The EOT will be collecting applications from now until December 1 and then we will be conducting interviews. Applications are available on the Send table. Once the interviews have been completed, we will then prayerfully move forward with the selection process. The EOT meets each month on the first Thursday from 12-2 PM and the third Thursday from 9 AM - 12 PM, the applicant must be able to meet during these times. The applicant must have a heart for global missions The applicant must be a mature Christ follower and team oriented. The ability to speak Spanish is not necessary, but we do need translators.

ALL WELCOME to come and pray for the 2015 Global Missions Conference on the first Monday of each month at 6 PM on December 1, January 5, and February 2.

TEAMS SERVING IN THE FIELD: Serving our mission partners Esther and Peter Pereira in India: Pastor Jorge Acevedo; Pastor Shari Lacey; Patti Nemazie; Charlotte Nesta; Laurie Brown; Susan Thompson.

AGE LEVEL

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

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for paid childcare workers who are energetic, love children and are able to lead story time and small group teaching activities with preschool aged children. Must be 18 years of age and available on Sunday mornings and Friday evenings. We are also looking for qualified substitute teachers at Small Wonders Preschool. See Heather Evans in the children's building for more information.

WORSHIP

VOLUNTEER TECH POSITION - Do you like to push buttons and work behind the scenes? Our Celebrate Recovery tech team needs someone to run lights every Friday night from 6-8 PM. We will train you! Please contact Corey Johnson at 239.574.7161 and he will get you connected.

CAPE TECH TEAM - Do you like to climb ladders or help in HIGH places? We are looking for some help changing bulbs and maintaining our tech equipment. Please call Jen at 239.574.7161 if you are able to serve.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE! It takes a HUGE team to coordinate every service at Grace Church, and we welcome new team members! If you are called to serve in the area of worship, call and inquire about open volunteer positions! We have a variety of volunteer positions and want to help you get connected to our team! (Some needed positions include: Ebay or reselling equipment, data entry, tech for special services, set construction, stage hands, outreach coordinator, etc.) Call 239.574.7161 ext. 239.

4:24 has opportunities for singers. Join us on Thursdays from 5:30-7 PM in Room 3. We are passionate about singing and having a great time worshiping God! Please call 239.574.7161. ext 239 if you would like to visit a rehearsal.

GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER - The GCC Worship Team is seeking musicians, especially keyboard and electric guitar players. We are also seeking volunteers for the tech team to help with sound, video, and lighting on Sunday mornings. Call Scott McDonald at 239.851.3842.

RECOVERY

Contact Greg Mulkey gmulkey@egracechurch.com

THIS WEEK NOVEMBER 14 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY - Join us at the Cape Coral campus to hear a lesson on Gratitude from Pastor Jorge Acevedo.

STEP STUDY GROUPS - The new step study groups will begin in January! Make a note on your Let's Connect card if you would like more information about this life-changing journey.

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 | 7-8:45 PM - Step Study Groups

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

Fort 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:

Mondays: Closed 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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