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WEEKLY

November 16, 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! November 3-9, 2014

Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 0

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Celebrate Recovery: Monday - 143 | Tuesday - 51 | Friday - 205 | Total: 399

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 - 225 | 10:00 - 528 | 11:30 - 328

Grace Community Center: 10:00 - 160

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 - 33 | 10:00 - 152

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 - 30 | 10:00 - 157 | Wed. - 154

Total Worship Attendance: 2,275 **Weekend Online Viewers:** 109

Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth: Octane (Sun.) - 53 | Octane (Wed.) - 40 | Revolution - 30

Surge - n/a | Planet 45 - 15

GIVING *Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center (Week of November 2)*

	Needed Weekly	Last Week	Needed YTD	Received YTD	Over (Under)
General Fund	\$32,692	\$38,119	\$1,438,448	\$1,353,374	\$(85,074)
Impact	\$3,804	\$3,062	\$167,376	\$170,297	\$2,921

Faith Promise Given Last Week - \$1,982

Received YTD - \$129,399

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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

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!

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. The Grace Community Center will be serving as an area Drop Center collections week November 17 through 24. Volunteers are needed during collections week to welcome guests who bring boxes and to help load the truck. Please see a team member in the lobby this morning.

NEW TO GRACE CHURCH? - Join our pastors for a fun and interactive one-hour introduction to Grace Church called All About Grace! Learn who we are, what we care about, why we do what we do, and how you can get plugged in here. We'll have coffee and desserts and plenty of time for questions and conversation. 5pm next Sunday, November 23 in the Connections Cafe (Cape Coral campus). Register today by writing "All About Grace" on your Let's Connect card, or call the church office at 239.574.7161.

CHRISTMAS GALA - The Cultural Park Theatre and Grace Community Center are partnering for a joint fundraiser on Friday, December 12 at 6 PM at the Grace Community Center. Join us for a Christmas concert, dinner and silent auction. Tickets are \$20 per person, available at the Cultural Park Box Office or email Carol at cmusselman@egracechurch.com.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Jason Snyder whose grandfather passed away November 9.

REACH

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GED MINISTRY HOLIDAY BREAK - There will be no GED classes November 27 & 29, or December 1 through January 7. The first 2015 class resumes on Thursday, January 8.

GRACE COMMUNITY GARDEN - Come and visit! The Walkway around the Grace Biblical Garden is finished and it looks beautiful! In the next few weeks, we are completing the landscaping and placing the sod and the concrete benches around the garden. New Garden volunteers are always welcomed. Please stop by and view our progress and see your bricks! The garden will be open on Saturday mornings, Wednesday afternoons, and Sundays. The Garden of Grace is located in the GCC parking lot behind the Mobil station.

CANNED FOOD - The Third Saturday Outreach Event is in need of additional canned goods for the upcoming November and December 3rd Saturday Events. Sleigh-like carts will be at the Cape Coral campus and Grace Community Center for your can donations. Thank you!

OMA'S HEART - There's one last meeting to sign up to volunteer and receive training for this year's Oma's Heart Toy Store. Join us at the Grace Community Center Wednesday, November 19 at 5:30 PM.

CAR CARE MINISTRY - Do you need your car serviced? This ministry is helping single moms and widows who are struggling financially with a basic oil change. Car care events are scheduled at the Grace Community Center on January 17, May 16, and September 19. Make your appointment NOW; Call Donna at 239.240.0628 or Mark at 239.229.9700. Volunteer mechanics, runners, recorders, and drivers are needed. If interested, please contact Mark.

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 TODAY.

CONNECT

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SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS - Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's are right around the corner, and for some these days can be difficult, especially if you have been through a recent loss, a major transition, a divorce, or some other event that changes your experience of the holidays. Pastor Cindy and Keith and Carol Musselman are hosting three special celebrations

during the coming weeks in the Connections Cafe (Cape Coral campus) for anyone who would like to gather, have fun, and meet some new friends. The gatherings are open to singles and couples of all ages, and the first one will start at 6:30 PM this Tuesday, November 18. Dress is casual. If you would like to help with the events, contact Pastor Cindy at 239.574.7161 or cjones@egracechurch.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 Coral campus 11:30 AM), and our Sunday Ushers team (especially at Cape Coral 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. 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 take-out. Volunteers serve only as often as they are able. To find out more about volunteering, 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.

LIFE IS TOUGH - STEPHEN MINISTERS CAN HELP - Stephen Ministers are regular people who are trained to provide one-on-one 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. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, contact Pastor Cindy at 239.574.7161 or 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 on a journey through the events of the Christmas story from the perspective of Mary, based on the book "Not a Silent Night" by pastor and author Adam Hamilton (book not required to participate). The birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus take on new meaning for us when we look at them through Mary's eyes. The class started this past week, but it's not too late to join! Two options are available, both at the Cape Coral campus: 10 AM Wednesdays in the Connections Cafe OR 6:30 PM Wednesdays in Room 7.

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

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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. **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 this week in the field in Nicaragua; Orlando Garay, Mike Gannon. Neil Johnson, Kelly Duffy.

AGE LEVEL

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

GRACE PLACE CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN NIGHT! Grace Place is getting ready for Christmas... family style! Join us for a potluck dinner and Advent kick-off for the whole family on Sunday, November 30, from 4-6 PM. We'll have a fun time with games, crafts, praise and worship and more! We'll supply the meat, drinks, and dessert; you bring a side dish to share! Make a note on your Let's Connect card letting us know how many in your family will attend.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT - GRACE KIDZ CHRISTMAS PAJAMA PARTY/MOVIE NIGHT - Saturday, December 13. 6-8:30 PM. All kids infant through 5th grade are invited for a fun time of pizza, popcorn, and Christmas movies in Grace Place while parents and grandparents have time to do their own thing! Pre-registration is required! A donation of \$5 per kid or \$10 per family is appreciated to help our student volunteers raise funds for their summer trips! Sign up in Grace Place!

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

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

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.

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 21 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY - Join us at the Cape Coral campus to hear a lesson on Give from pastor Jorge Acevedo as we move on to step 12.

ANGEL TREE will need "angels" to pick a child's Angel tag for buying gifts for the children of incarcerated parents in the Lee County area. The presents are due by Sunday, December 14, and the "Wrapping Party" is Friday, December 19 with delivery on Saturday, December 20. We need leaders, wrappers, and delivery teams to present the presents and message of Jesus to the children and their families. Contact Robin at 826.3932 if you can help.

STEP STUDY GROUPS - The new year will be here before you know it and what better resolution than to join a group of like-minded people and discover how we got to where we are in life. Make a note on your Let's Connect card for more information.

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

CELEBRATE RECOVERY MONDAYS *at the Fort Myers Central Campus:*

6 PM - Dinner | **6:30 PM** - Worship | **8 PM** - Small 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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