# **Grace** WEEKLY November 23, 2014

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### **GRACE CHURCH VISION**

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

### **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 10-16, 2014 Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 3

### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Celebrate Recovery: Monday - 147 | Tuesday - 51 | Friday - 227 | Total: 425 Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 - 273 | 10:00 - 633 | 11:30 - 315 Grace Community Center: 10:00 - 189 Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 - 45 | 10:00 - 167 Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 - 24 | 10:00 - 156 | Wed. - 122 Total Worship Attendance: 2,453 Weekend Online Viewers: 104 Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth: Octane (Sun.) - 86 | Octane (Wed.) - 35 | Revolution - 25 Surge - 39 | Planet 45 - 16

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	Needed Weekly	Last Week	Needed YTD	Received YTD	Over (Under)
<b>General Fund</b>	\$32,692	\$66,442	\$1,503,832	\$1,419,816	\$(84,016)
Impact	\$3,804	\$5,253	\$174,984	\$175,550	\$566

GIVING Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center (Weeks of November 9 & 16)

Faith PromiseGiven Last Week - \$3,798

Received YTD - \$133,198

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**

**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. TODAY at 5 PM in the Connections Cafe (Cape Coral campus). Register today by writing "All About Grace" on your Let's Connect card.

**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.

**THE THIRD ANNUAL WOMEN OF GRACE RETREAT** is scheduled for February 28 through March 1, 2015. You won't want to miss this opportunity to connect with other Women of Grace! Mark your calendars. More detailed information on registration to come.

**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.

**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!

**TODAY** at the 11:30 service, we celebrate the baptism of Kynzlie Jade Ingram born May 15, 2014. She is the daughter of Jeremy and Elizabeth Ingram.

**THE RED ROSE** is given by Leslie Erschen in loving memory of her son, Barry Erschen, Jr., who passed away November 22, 2012.

**OUR SYMPATHY** is extended to Pastor Shari Lacey and her husband, Neil Johnson, in the passing of Shari's sister, Christine, on November 14.

**OUR SYMPATHY** is extended to Jeff & Debby Dukes, Mike & Shannon Eaton, Tracy Chandler, and Tom Johnson in the passing of their mother/grandmother, Maudelle Dukes Miller, on November 21.

#### Contact Patti Nemazie pnemazie@egracechurch.com

**TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY** to turn in your Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes! Please take them to the Grace Community Center today from 2-6 PM, or tomorrow between 9 AM and 6 PM. Follow the signs at the GCC to the drop-off spot. Thank you for your continued support! **SUNDAY MORNING REACH TEAM** - We're looking for 8 volunteers who can commit 2 hours on Sunday mornings for the month of December to hand out maps to first-time guests at the Cape Coral campus. Shifts are from 8-10 AM or 10 AM - 12 PM. Contact Betty Andrews, bandrews@

egracechurch.com or write, "Sunday Reach Team" on the back of your Let's Connect card.

REACH

**GED MINISTRY HOLIDAY BREAK** - There will be no GED classes November 27 & 29, or December 21 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!

**CAR CARE MINISTRY** - Do you need you 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.

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#### Contact Kevin Griffin kgriffin@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.

#### Contact Kevin Griffin kgriffin@egracechurch.com

**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

FORM

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.

TEAMS SERVING IN THE FIELD: CV Elliott in India.

### AGE LEVEL

**NO OCTANE SMALL GROUPS** - There will be no Octane Small Groups this Wednesday, November 26.

**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

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA** - Come out for an evening of Christmas music as the North Fort Myers High School Chorus joins our Sanctuary Choir for a holiday cantata. Sunday, December 7 at 7 PM at the Cape Coral campus.

**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

**THIS WEEK NOVEMBER 28 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY** - We are having our first Family Fun Night! There will be a short worship service with children singing for the parents at 6:45 PM, games for families at 7 PM, and small groups at 8 PM.

**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

# CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES

### **CAPE CORAL CAMPUS**

December 23

December 24

- December 21 6 PM Special Blue Christmas Service
  - 7 PM Contemporary Candlelight Service
  - 5 PM Contemporary Candlelight Service
  - 7 PM Contemporary Candlelight Service
  - 9 PM Traditional Candlelight Service

### **GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER**

December 21	6 PM	Special Blue Christmas Service
December 24	6 PM	Contemporary Candlelight Service

### 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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