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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.

December 07, 2014

**HELLO, AND GOOD MORNING!  
IF YOU ARE A FIRST TIME VISITOR,  
WE WANT TO EXTEND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU!**

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: November 23 - November 30, 2014**

**Fort Myers Shores Campus:** 8:30 AM - 32 | 10 AM - 154 | Wed - 58

**Cape Coral Campus:** 8:30 AM - 223 | 10 AM - 631 | 11:30 AM - 321

**Online Viewers:** 117

**Fort Myers Central Campus:** 8:30 AM - 28 | 10 AM - 162 | Wed - 172

**Grace Community Center:** 10 AM - 189

**Celebrate Recovery:** Monday - 79 | Tuesday - 43 | Friday - 176

**Total Worship Attendance:** 2397

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

**General Fund:** 11/30/2014 \$4,286.05

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or set up an automatic monthly donation.

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT - Fort Myers Shores

**CHILD PROTECTION CLASS - TODAY** at 11:15 AM in the Fellowship Hall, there will be a 45 minute Child Protection training class. The class is mandatory for anyone working with our children and youth. We will be going to Dairy Queen for lunch after the class, as they donate a portion of their proceeds to our Age Level ministries from 11 AM – 2 PM every first Sunday!

**WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY -** Will be held TODAY December 7th at 5 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a finger food to share and a wrapped ornament for our fun gift exchange! This year we would like to ask you bring a can of food to help stock our new food pantry. This is also a great opportunity to invite a friend. For questions call Adela 694 8035

**DAIRY QUEEN SUNDAY IS TODAY -** From 11AM - 2PM Dairy Queen on Palm Beach Boulevard is donating a portion of their sales to the Age Level ministries of Grace Church. This is a great time to have fun and fellowship with each other; and support a great cause!

**WELCOME SHOWER -** We want to shower our new Worship and Youth Director Josh and his wife Jordon with Blessings! Please bring by the office this week-no later than Thursday-food items, cleaning supplies and paper goods, and we will make a huge gift basket. Also, would you be willing to make up a tray of lasagna or meatloaf to help them get thru the weekend? We want to show them the warmest welcome ever! If you have any questions call the office at 239.694.2797.

**FOOD PANTRY -** Hooray!! The pantry cart was full and overflowing this past Sunday. If you want to help, check out BOGO's at Publix and Winn Dixie. One for you, one for the pantry. Thank you!

**NIGHT OF WORSHIP -** Mark your Calendars for December 17 and join us for our 2nd Annual Night of Worship. We will start out with a delicious potluck at 6PM, and then at 7PM we will lift our voices and Praise and Worship with our entire church family! Bring a can of food for the pantry and bring a friend! If you have questions call the church office at 239.694.2797, or email Beverly at [bcox@egracechurch.com](mailto:bcox@egracechurch.com).

**ANGEL TREE -** This is a Prison Ministry that helps keep the parents in prison connected to their children, as well as an opportunity to share the love of Christ to the entire family. Here are some ways you can participate in Angel Tree. First, take an angel tag and buy a gift from the tag. Second, help deliver the gifts to a family and share the Gospel with them. If you wish to do something extra, you can purchase a gift card from a grocery to help provide a meal. Please drop off your gifts starting **TODAY**, in the Welcome Center or at the office during the week. Please have everything dropped off no later than December 14!

# REACH

*visit the REACH wall in the Welcome Area.*

**2ND SATURDAY COMING SOON!** - S.S. is an outreach to seniors in need; offering prayer, medical counselling, budgeting help, lunch, Choice Food Pantry and more. Please mark your calendars; the trial run is set for January and the official start in February. Won't you please bring an item each week for the food basket and continue to stock our pantry? We are also asking you to please collect coupons for us without expiration dates or those with dates after February 2014. It's not too late to volunteer; contact Adela at [phl1584@comcast.net](mailto:phl1584@comcast.net) or 694-8035.

**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 .

**HELPING HANDS** - Do you know a person who could benefit from the Ministry of the helping hands? Could be a neighbor, could be a friend-it just needs to be somebody who does not have the means to get a much-needed project done. Just have them contact the church office at 239-694-2797 and we can take it from there!

# CONNECT

*Contact Tina Glenn at [dtina1031@aol.com](mailto:dtina1031@aol.com) or visit the CONNECT wall in the Welcome Area.*

**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 December 8; as Pastor Shari will tell us all about her mission trip to India! Then on December 15; join us as we prepare Christmas baskets for shut-ins. 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.

**BLUE CHRISTMAS** - Join us on December 21 at 6PM. Not everyone is filled with holiday cheer, and not everyone looks forward to the merriment of the Christmas holidays. This service is to be a light in the midst of darkness.

**IT'S CHOCOLATE TIME!** - Save the date for this year's TASTE OF CHOCOLATE Women's luncheon: When: Saturday Jan 24, 10-1:00 Where: Our Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$8.00 Tickets go on Sale in December. If you have questions, ask Carol Kennedy or email at [drckennedy@comcast.net](mailto:drckennedy@comcast.net)

**At Grace Church, we seek to REACH people who are far from God, CONNECT them to God and other Christ-followers, FORM them to be more and more like Jesus, and SEND them into the world to serve God**

## 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.

**NEW MEN'S GROUP!** - This new group is meeting Tuesday evenings from 6:30PM till 8PM. It is open to any man who is interested in enriching his walk with Christ and growing into the man God has called him to be. Does that sound like you? Contact Neil Johnson at 239.265.3117. Join us on the journey.

**WHAT IS A FORM MINISTRY?** Form ministries are those ministries of Grace Church that seek to help Christ-followers who call Grace Church their spiritual home have a growing and transforming relationship with Jesus Christ. Following Jesus is a lifelong adventure in which one needs mentoring and instruction. Form ministries are spiritual retreats, classes, relationships and experiences that foster spiritual growth.

**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](http://www.gulfcoastemmaus.com).

## 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** - Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. John 6:35 NIV

**WHAT IS A SEND MINISTRY?** - Send ministries are those ministries of Grace Church that release God's people to make the realities of heaven the realities of earth. These ministries move followers of Jesus who call Grace Church their spiritual home from the seats to the streets to declare and display the amazing grace of God.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** - Send Global 2015 Mission Conference - Will be 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 in the lives of people all around the world.

## AGE LEVEL

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

**REVOLUTION** - 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 .

**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!

## RECOVERY

Contact shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY CENTRAL CAMPUS** - This Monday Dec. 8 hear a lesson from Scott T. on Hope. Then on Dec. 15 come and hear a Testimony by Monica R. Please don't come alone - bring a friend! Dinner at 6:00 PM, large group at 6:45 PM, small groups at 8:00 PM. Have questions? Contact Rochelle Redmon at [rochelledredmon@gmail.com](mailto:rochelledredmon@gmail.com) or call the office 239-334.3160.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY CAPE CAMPUS** - This Friday Dec. 12 hear a Testimony by Christina M. Then on Dec. 19 hear a lesson on 7 reason we get stuck. Don't come alone - bring a friend! Dinner at 5:30PM, large group 6:45PM, small groups 8:00PM, Solid rock café at 9:00PM.

**FITNESS - FAITH - FELLOWSHIP** - Join us for a meditation 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, and you will leave feeling better! Call Jacque Rippe for more info at 694-0451.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - 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.

**STEPHEN MINISTERS** - 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. If you need a caring ear mark your "Let's Connect" card Stephen Minister and someone will contact you.



# A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Friends-

If you were not here last week, you missed the big news! Josh and Jordan Lyle have accepted our offer to come to Grace Church! Josh will be the Director of Worship and Youth, and Jordan will come alongside him to help out. They are coming in this week, and we want to make them feel right at home from the get go. We'd like to fill a giant laundry basket or two with canned and boxed goods, cleaning supplies, and paper goods so they'll have most of what they'll need to set up housekeeping. We are also looking for some casserole type dishes to get them through the first week of their life in the Shores. Please drop items for the basket off at the office by Thursday! If you are making a meal, contact Tina at the church office ASAP for more information.

The selection team worked long hours, prayerfully and patiently, to find a great for us, and I know we are grateful to God for them!

Please pray these next days for safe travels and a smooth transition for Josh and Jordan, and let's do everything we can to welcome them to Grace Church.

I Love being your Pastor,



Pastor Shari Lacey  
slacey@egracechurch.com



## Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM

## 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>Josh Lyle*</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>Tina Glenn</b>
<b>Send Team</b>	<b>Neil Johnson</b>
<b>Reach Team</b>	<b>Is this your passion?</b>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Chris Fraley</b>
<b>Finance</b>	<b>Charlotte Nesta*</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 EXAM-

PLE: 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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