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WEEKLY

January 4, 2015

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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! December 23-28, 2014

Commitments made last week: Life to Jesus - 1

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Celebrate Recovery: Monday - n/a | Tuesday - n/a | Friday - 160 | Total: 160

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 - 217 | 10:00 - 478 | 11:30 - 385

Grace Community Center: 10:00 - 163

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 - 33 | 10:00 - 138

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 - n/a | 10:00 - n/a | Wed. - n/a

Total Worship Attendance: 1,719 **Weekend Online Viewers:** 145

Cape Coral Campus/GCC Youth: Octane (Sun.) - 38 | Octane (Wed.) - n/a | Revolution - n/a
Surge - n/a | Planet 45 - n/a

Christmas Eve (12/23) Cape: 7:00 - 416 | Online - 30

Christmas Eve Cape/GCC: 5:00 - 728 | 6:00 - 189 | 7:00 - 689 | 9:00 - 450 | Online - 71

Christmas Eve Shores: 6:00 - 159 | 8:00 - 136

Christmas Eve Central: Attendance not available

Total Christmas Eve: 2,868

GIVING *Cape Coral Campus & Grace Community Center*

	Needed Weekly	Last Week	Needed YTD	Received YTD	Over (Under)
General Fund	\$32,692	\$50,278	\$1,700,000	\$1,634,121	\$(65,879)
Impact	\$3,804	\$2,161	\$197,821	\$196,791	\$(1,030)

Faith Promise Given Last Week - \$2,131

Received YTD - \$142,054

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

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Karl, Sharon, and Corey Johnson in the passing of their brother/uncle, Donn Johnson, on December 19.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Bonni Daigle in the passing of her husband, Everette, on December 26.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to P.T., Lisa, & Shaun Barnum and Rodger & Michelle Bourne in the passing of their father/grandfather, Ed Van Note, on December 26.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Kenneth Azevedo who passed away Dec. 28.

THRIFT STORE - As you clean out closets and get reorganized for the New Year, please keep the Grace Community Center Thrift Store in mind for the items that you no longer need. The Thrift Store is always looking for your "gently" used and loved items. Pickup is available for large items by calling 239.656.0122. The GCC Thrift Store would like to thank you all for your continued support over the past year! We look forward to your donations in 2015.

REACH

ATTENTION 3RD SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS - If you have been serving or would like to begin serving on the 3rd Saturday Outreach Team, you must attend the Annual 3rd Saturday Volunteer Orientation scheduled for either January 7 at 7pm or January 22 at 7pm at the Grace Community Center. All volunteers are required to attend Orientation. Future Orientations will be held quarterly; don't miss this opportunity! Please contact Betty Andrews at 239.574.7161 or e-mail to bandrews@egracechurch.com.

Contact Patti Nemazie
pnemazie@egracechurch.com

GED MINISTRY RESUMES - The first 2015 GED class resumes on Thursday, January 8.

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.

CONNECT

Contact Kevin Griffin
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MAKING MY CONNECTIONS - In this 4-hour workshop, you'll explore in depth the values, story, and vision of Grace Church and find your place in our church family. After completing the class, you have the opportunity to become a member of Grace Church. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or your child, Making My Connections is the next step. 9am – 1pm Saturday, January 24 in the Children's and Youth Center (Cape Coral Campus). Cost is free and includes lunch, but pre-registration is required. Please indicate if you need childcare when you register. To sign up, call Elaine Kasarda at 239.574.7161 or email ekasarda@egracechurch.com.

GRACE CHURCH SOFTBALL will be starting their co-ed Spring League soon! All women and men ages 18+ can play! Games on Friday nights at the Northwest Softball Complex in Cape Coral. Come make some new friends at Grace Church and have a great time playing softball. Call PT Barnum at 239.691.8995 or email cc9800@embarqmail.com.

WOMEN OF GRACE RETREAT + TEA - All women are invited to the 2015 Women of Grace Retreat on February 28-March 1. But first, make sure to attend the Pre-Retreat Tea from 2-5pm at the Cape Coral Campus on January 11, when we will make travel arrangements and get ready for the retreat! Cost for the retreat is only \$80 per person if paid by January 11, either online at egracechurch.com or in person at the Tea (\$85 starting January 12 until registration closes on February 15). If you have any questions about the retreat or the pre-retreat tea, please call Paulette Jones at 239.896.7370.

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WINTER TRANSFORM CLASSES - New classes and groups start soon! Are you ready to take the next step in your spiritual life and make some new friends at Grace Church? Then sign up today for one of our Winter Transform classes! All classes meet at the Cape Coral campus. Childcare is available. Opportunities include:

- **Financial Peace University** | Dave Ramsey's approach to budgeting, saving, giving, and

getting out of debt is both simple to understand and based on the Bible's teachings about money. Of the 75+ Grace Church families who took the class earlier this year, they reported paying off more than \$500,000 in consumer debt in just 9 weeks! 6:30-8 PM Wednesdays starting January 21 for 9 weeks. Regular cost is \$85 per household.

- **Dave Ramsey's The Legacy Journey** | This is the follow-up class to Financial Peace University and teaches you how to build and leave a legacy for your children and children's children. 6:30-8 PM Wednesdays starting January 21 for 7 weeks. Cost is \$99 per household.
- **Living a Life of Balance (women only)** | Many women today are trying to be everywhere at once and be all things to all people, until a life of balance seems impossible. This study will encourage you to slow down and examine how you're living your life. Facilitator: Debbie Ruesch. 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays starting January 21 for 12 weeks.
- **Fight Less, Love More (marriage class)** | In this class, you will learn how to resolve conflict, give the perfect apology, create a daily communication routine, increase intimacy and respect, and more, so that your marriage will remain strong and healthy for a lifetime. Facilitators: Paul + Toni Marzella. 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays starting January 21 for 9 weeks.
- **Taking Care of Business** | This study explores the Bible's perspective on work, and how God desires for you to experience both fulfillment and success in your job or business. The class will deal with topics like interacting with coworkers and supervisors, being a witness for Christ at work, and balancing work with family and personal life. 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays starting January 21 for 6 weeks.
- **Effective Parenting in a Defective World** | Raising kids is a tough challenge in today's world. Peers and pop culture exert never-ending pressure on our children, but the good news is that God has been helping people in bad situations for a long time! Whether you're raising children as a couple or on your own, this class will give struggling parents lots of practical steps and a clear vision for your children's future. Facilitator: Heather Evans. 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays starting January 28 for 6 weeks.
- **Grief Support Group** | If you've lost someone you love, it may be hard to feel optimistic about the future right now. This can be a confusing time when you feel isolated and are experiencing emotions in a way you're not used to feeling – numbness, aching, anger, sadness, apathy. This group will help you face these challenges and start moving toward rebuilding your life. Facilitators: Keith Musselman + Pastor Cindy Jones. 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays starting January 21.
- **Divorce Care Support Group** | Many people who know will tell you that separation and divorce are the most painful and stressful experiences they've ever faced. In this group, you will discover there are other people who understand the hurts and emotions as well as learn practical and helpful information about how to recover from your separation or divorce. Facilitators: Dennis + Tina Glenn. 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays starting January 14 for 14 weeks. Cost: \$15 for materials.

SEND

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SEND GLOBAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE - It's that time of year as our SEND GLOBAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE IS FAST APPROACHING! Our 10 mission partners from around the globe will be coming in to town to spend a week with us and to share about how our FAITH PROMISE dollars have made an impact around the world! We have many exciting events scheduled. Tickets will be available in the upcoming weeks; it's time to mark your calendars! Here is a sneak peek of events scheduled:

- **Wednesday, February 4:** KICKOFF CELEBRATION AT CENTRAL CAMPUS! Come and meet the Missionaries beginning at 5:30 PM; you won't want to miss the Wednesday night service and dinner to follow.
- **Thursday, February 5:** MEET THE MISSIONARIES at the GRACE COMMUNITY CENTER beginning at 6:30 PM. Enjoy some light finger foods and hear about some of the amazing ministry that is taking place around the world through our partners!
- **Saturday, February 7:** INTERNATIONAL BANQUET at Fort Myers Shores Campus beginning at 5:30 PM. This is a great evening event where you can dine with our mission partners.
- **Sunday, February 8:** Missionaries will be at all campuses of Grace Church.
- **Sunday, February 8:** ALL CAMPUS YOUTH EVENT AT CAPE CORAL CAMPUS with the Missionaries beginning at 5 PM! Attention Youth - plan on bringing a friend!

GRACE CHURCH MISSION PARTNERS: Lawrence Beka - Ghana, Africa; Biosledis Rodriguez - Cuba; Nolan and Marie Schockey - Juarez, Mexico; Chris Smith - 12 Churches Nicaragua; Bri Butler - Samaritan's Purse International Disaster Relief; Ray and Lydia Zirkel - Costa Rica; Peter and Esther Pereira - India; Michael Mozley - Catalyst for Africa; CV and Judy Elliott and Joyce Hearl - New Mission Systems International.

IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HOST A MISSIONARY at your home February 3-9, please contact Kate Zink at 239.898.7615 or e-mail to gkzink@gmail.com. We need 4 more host families. The blessing will be all yours!

IF YOU HAVE AN EXTRA CAR that a mission partner can use (with a valid U.S. license) February 3-9 or if you can make airport runs to pick up/drop off Missionaries, we would really appreciate it. Contact Dennis Bueno at 239.872.9372 or e-mail to dennis.bueno@me.com.

SCHEDULE A MISSIONARY TO SPEAK AT YOUR SMALL GROUP MEETING - please contact Kalynn Green at 239.628.7881 or e-mail to Kalynn_Kingsley@yahoo.com.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER to help with any of these events, please contact Betty Andrews at 239.574.7161 or e-mail to bandrews@egracechurch.com.

AGE LEVEL

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

PLANET 45 WINTER BREAK - Planet 45 will resume tomorrow, January 5.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT OCTANE - Our small groups and band practice for Wednesday night Octane will be taking a break for the holidays! We will be back on Wednesday, January 14.

GRACE KIDZ SAVE THE DATES - Warren Willis Summer Camp: June 8-13. Vacation Bible School: June 22-26th. Mark your calendars and get ready for a fun summer ahead!

SMALL WONDERS PRESCHOOL will begin enrolling for the next school year after the holidays. If you would like your child to be considered for a position in the fall, contact Stacy at 239.573.6890 to get on the waiting list!

WORSHIP

Contact Jennifer Strobe, jstrobe@egracechurch.com
or Corey Johnson, cjohnson@egracechurch.com

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 worshipping God! Please call 239.574.7161. ext 239 if you would like to visit a rehearsal.

RECOVERY

Contact Greg Mulkey
gmulkey@egracechurch.com

THIS WEEK JANUARY 9 AT CELEBRATE RECOVERY - Join us at the Cape Coral campus to hear a lesson on Denial as we begin at Step 1 from Pastor Shari Lacey.

STEP STUDY GROUPS - The new women's step study group will begin on January 13, 2015. This is a 52-week journey with God and other like-minded women to find hope and see God's grace in your life. The new men's group will be soon after the women's. 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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