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# WEEKLY

January 11, 2015

To PARTNER *with* GOD in TRANSFORMING  
**people** from unbelievers to *fully devoted*  
DISCIPLES of Jesus to the  
GLORY OF GOD.

**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: December 29, 2014 - January 04, 2015**

**Fort Myers Shores Campus:** 8:30 AM - 42 | 10 AM - 167 | Wed - n/a

**Cape Coral Campus:** 8:30 AM - 261 | 10 AM - 646 | 11:30 AM - 403

**Online Viewers:** 129

**Fort Myers Central Campus:** 8:30 AM - 26 | 10 AM - 146 | Wed - 91

**Grace Community Center:** 10 AM - 186

**Celebrate Recovery:** Monday - 100 | Tuesday - n/a | Friday - 201

**Total Worship Attendance:** 2398

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

**General Fund:** 01/04/2015 \$4,445.22

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or set up an automatic monthly donation.

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT - Fort Myers Shores

**UPWARD SPORTS** - Soccer season is right around the corner. Registration begins February 17, and practices start in March. Upward is a sports league which promotes fun and fellowship while learning a sport. It focuses on character development as well as skills. If your child is kindergarten age through 6th grade, have them join us for a great season! Every child gets to play equal time. Contact Jessica Llado at 239.980.1736 or Ryan Pitts at 239.980.0511 or call the church office 239-694-2797.

**HARRY CHAPIN HUNGER WALK** - Saturday, January 17 at 9:30AM the Miramar Outlet Mall will be holding the 7th Annual Harry Chapin Hunger Walk! You can be part of this, and not even have to walk if you don't want to; here's how: **First**-Sign up to walk, gather some friends and family and commit to being part of this wonderful outreach. **Second**-Sponsor the Grace Church team, just fill out a pledge card and put it in the jar on the table in the Welcome Center. If you would like more information just go to [www.harrychapinfoodbank.org](http://www.harrychapinfoodbank.org). Today is the day!

**DIVORCE CARE SUPPORT GROUP** - You will discover there are other people who understand the hurts and emotions as well as learn practical and helpful information how to recover from your separation or divorce. Our very own Dennis and Tina Glenn will be facilitating this group starting January 14 for 14 weeks from 6:30-7:45 PM Wednesdays at the Cape Campus Cost: \$15 for materials

**WANT A HEALTHY LIFE?** - God designed our bodies to be healthy , providing everything we need to thrive and live abundantly. The Daniel Plan is a biblical approach to achieving a healthy lifestyle where participants are encouraged to get healthy together by optimizing the key elements of faith, food, fitness, focus, and friends. The concepts in this experience will encourage you to deepen your relationship with God and develop a community of supportive friends who will encourage you to make healthy choices. This is a lifestyle change, one choice at a time, and several here have benefitted from the program! What have you got to lose? Two new groups are starting; one during the day and one during the evening. Interested? Write DANIEL on your "Let's Connect Card" and check out the website at [danielplan.com](http://danielplan.com).

**NEW YEAR! NEW DIRECTORY!** - Our new picture directory will help us all get to know one another better. The directory will also be a wonderful gift for new members, helping them to get to know their new church family. Watch the Grace Weekly for more information to schedule a time to have your picture taken and update your information.

**NEW CLASSES STARTING** - Check the Form section of this Grace Weekly.

**NEED HELP WITH COLLEGE FUNDING?** - Sinclair Scholarship for United Methodist youth may be able to help. Scholarship applications, guidelines and financial worksheets may be downloaded from [www.fumf.org](http://www.fumf.org) or obtain by call the Foundation at 866.363.9673. Check the "what's happening" wall for more info.

# REACH

*visit the REACH wall in the Welcome Area.*

**2ND SATURDAY** - A big thank you to all that helped make our trial run be huge success! Second Saturday is an outreach to seniors in need; offering prayer, medical counselling, budgeting help, lunch, Choice Food Pantry and more. Please mark your calendars; the official start will be February 14. 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 2015. It's not too late to volunteer; contact Adela at phl1584@comcast.net or 239.694.8035.

**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*

**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 January 12; for music week with Jan Neff! 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.

**IT'S CHOCOLATE TIME!** - Time is running out, get your tickets **TODAY** for this year's TASTE OF CHOCOLATE Women's luncheon: Saturday Jan 24, 10 - 1:00 in Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$8.00 Tickets are on sale under the awing and can be purchased in front of the church on Sunday, the church office during the week, or online at [www.egracechurch.com](http://www.egracechurch.com). If you have questions, ask Carol Kennedy or email at [drckennedy@comcast.net](mailto:drckennedy@comcast.net)

**STORY OF JESUS** - With over 200 actors and 100 animals the story of Jesus is being told on March 28, 7PM in Wauchula. Group ticket price is \$20 for 25 or more. Tickets go on sale in February, please mark your "Lets Connect" card "The Story" if you are interested so we can get a count for group prices. Let's get a great big group to go so we can experience this together! Questions call the church office at 239.694.2797.

**CRAFTERS NEEDED!** - We will supply all the materials and instructions - will you make ornaments for our Chrismon tree? You'll have plenty of time to make our Christmas tree spectacular next year! Contact Jacque Rippe at 239-694-0451.

# SEND

Contact Neil Johnson [njohnson@Gods\\_grace1@msn.com](mailto:njohnson@Gods_grace1@msn.com)  
or visit the SEND wall in the Welcome Area.

**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.

**FAITH PROMISE DOLLARS AT WORK** - Grace Church has been building relationships in Nicaragua for eight years. We currently work with the Fabretto Childrens' Foundation and Iglesia Evangelica Metodista. Through our partnership with Fabretto, we have helped sponsor more than 50 children at La Cruz and have installed a much needed fresh water well and vegetable garden.

# FORM

Contact the church office at [shoresoffice @ egracechurch.com](mailto:shoresoffice@egracechurch.com)

**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.

**DISCIPLE** - is the in depth Bible study you've been waiting for! We will teach the class in two parts, the first is on the Old Testament, and it will last until Spring. The study emphasizes the wholeness of the Bible as a revelation of God. DISCIPLE draws upon the work of scholars, the personal Bible reading and study of the participant, and dynamic group discussion to aid understanding of the Bible. Class will begin Wednesday, January 21 at 10am. Each member of the group needs a study manual and a Bible. The Bible is the text for the study and the study manual will guide group members in their study and preparation for the weekly group session. The study manual is available here at the for \$40, and it will cover both the Old and New Testaments. Used and nearly new manuals are available on Amazon for a greatly reduced price. Please register by writing "Disciple" on your "Let's Connect" card.

**IMMERSE YOURSELF!** - Journey inside the pages of Scripture where you will meet a personal God who wants to begin a creative work in you from the inside out! IMMERSION Bible study stands firmly on the Word and helps you explore the emotional, spiritual, and intellectual needs of your soul. The small group experience, patterned after Acts 2:42 studying the book of John will offer new insights into God's Word, your own life, and your relationship with God. IMMERSION will begin Wednesday, January 21. Join us for dinner at 6:10 and class at 6:30. We provide a meal and ministry for your children too, so join us! New participants guides are \$10, and slightly used ones are \$5. Come and be part of the IMMERSION experience! Register today by writing IMMERSION on your "Let's Connect" card!

## AGE LEVEL

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

**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!

**REVOLUTION** - Students sixth grade through college level, join us on January 14 for dinner at 6PM, and a fun time of hanging out, playing games, worship, and a message about how God wants to relate to us! So plan to come and bring a friend!

## RECOVERY

Contact [shoresoffice@egracechurch.com](mailto:shoresoffice@egracechurch.com)

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY CENTRAL CAMPUS** - This Monday Jan 12, come and hear a Testimony by Sharon W. and see how God has and is working in her life. 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 [rochelleredmon@gmail.com](mailto:rochelleredmon@gmail.com) or call the office 239.334.3160.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY CAPE CAMPUS** - This Friday, Jan 16 Pastor Shari will give a lesson on Denial. Then on Jan. 23 hear a testimony by Tracey D. on how God has been working in her life, and still is! 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. Have questions? Contact Greg at [gmulkey@egracechurch.com](mailto:gmulkey@egracechurch.com) or call the church office at 239.574.7161.

**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 239.694.0451.

**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.



# A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Good Morning!

For those of you who were here last week, way to go on keeping your perfect attendance all this year! We are continuing our series "First" this morning, and I have to tell you that I sometimes struggle with keeping God first in everything. Just being honest. I love the saying I heard a while back – not even sure who said it – but this preacher said he was "just one beggar telling another beggar where he can find bread." I like the thought of that.

So, let me tell you about a few opportunities coming up that will be food for your soul! We have 2 new Bible studies starting January 21. One is the highly acclaimed Disciple study that will do an overview of the Old Testament, and the other is the popular Immersion series, this one studying the Book of John. Check the Form section of this Grace Weekly for all the details!

You also have the opportunity to kiss your self defeating health habits good by. Join us in the Daniel Plan experience! More information can be found in the "what's happening" section of this weekly.

Sign up for a class today!

*Pastor Shari*

Pastor Shari Lacey  
slacey@egracechurch.com



## Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM

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## 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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