# = It Wouldn't be == CHRISTMAS Without...

**December 3, 2017** 

#### It Wouldn't Be Christmas Without... | Part 2

Zechariah and Elizabeth were righteous in God's eyes, careful to obey all of the Lord's commandments and regulations. They had no children because Elizabeth was unable to conceive, and they were both very old. One day Zechariah was serving God in the Temple, for his order was on duty that week. As was the custom of the priests, he was chosen by lot to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and burn incense.

Luke 1:6-9 (NLT)

#### How do I remain hopeful when everything is not right?

While Zechariah was in the sanctuary, an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing to the right of the incense altar. Zechariah was shaken and overwhelmed with fear when he saw him. But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John." Luke 1:11-13 (NLT)

1. Live \_\_\_\_\_\_ in God.

But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah!" Luke 1:13a (NLT)

2. Live \_\_\_\_\_\_ in God.

But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer." Luke 1:13b (NLT)

3. Live \_\_\_\_\_\_ in God.

But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John." Luke 1:13 (NLT) God's Vision for Grace Church:

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

### **GRACE NEWS**

**Celebrate Recovery -** The purpose of Celebrate Recovery is to encourage fellowship and to celebrate God's healing power in our lives, working along the road to recovery. Join us Monday nights, for Celebrate Recovery. Free Dinner at 6:15pm, Large Group 6:45pm, small groups at 8pm. Childcare provided. This week we will be a Testimony by an out of town visitor Wade.

**Monday Night Youth Group** at 6:30 we meet in the sanctuary and move to the Youth House. If you have a middle or high school student or know of any, we would love to have them join us.

**Wednesday Worship!** Everyone has had to learn to experience the Bible! So join us! We spend some time together worshiping and looking at the bible stories of Jesus. 6:30pm followed by our free community dinner after.

**Block Party** December 9th 10am-2pm Come join us on December 9th as we to bring Love to the 239. Free Food, Games, bounce house, and pony rides. Come out and help and have some fun.

#### **Movie Night December 9th Free Movie Night!**

This month we will be showing the movie Believe. Join us at 7pm and enjoy the movie, hotdogs and popcorn.

# LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /		
Service Attended:		
□ 1st time □ 2nd time □ 3rd time		
Regular Attendee Church Member		
Male Female		
Name(s):		
□ Single □ 18-23 □ 50's		
□ Married □ 24-29 □ 60+		
□ Divorced □ 30's		
□ Widowed □ 40's		
□ Middle School □ High School □ College		
Address:		
City:		
State: Zip:		
Ph:		
Cell:		
Email:		
□ Please update my contact information		

#### **MY DECISION TODAY**

- I said **YES** for the first time,
  - and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to RENEW my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR:	
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🗆 Public Prayer List	For Pastors Only

#### I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

#### **SMART GIVING**

go to: egracechurch.com/give -ORtext any amount + "Central" to:

#### 239.443.5901

(like this: 100 Central)

An effective and time-saving way to give your tithes and offerings without carrying cash or writing checks.





# SCHEDULE

#### Worship Times:

Wednesday @ 6:30pm (Free Community Dinner @ 7:30pm) Sunday @ 8:30am Breakfast Church Sunday @ 10am Contemporary Worship

#### Grace Kids (Infant - 5th grade)

Wed. @ 6:30pm, Sunday @ 10 <u>Youth (Middle and High Schoolers)</u> Monday @ 6:30

#### **Recovery**

Celebrate Recovery: Monday @ 6:45pm (Childcare provided Infant-5th grade) Recovery Meeting Schedule posted on Recovery wall

#### **Church Office Hours**

Office Hours: Tuesday 10am-2pm Wednesday 1pm-4pm Thursday 9am-12pm

#### Fresh Expressions Thrift Store

Thursday- Saturday 9:30am-2:30pm 239.671.1133

## **YOU COUNT**

General Fund		
Last Week	\$ 831	
Received YTD	\$ 71,701	
Weekly Attendance		
303		