# COME HELL OR HIGH WATER



April 15, 2018

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

> For we live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7 (NIV)

I am writing to Timothy, my dear son...Timothy, I thank God for you—the God I serve with a clear conscience, just as my ancestors did. Night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. I long to see you again, for I remember your tears as we parted. And I will be filled with joy when we are together again. 2 Timothy 1:2a,3-4 (NLT)

#### How do I activate a first-hand faith?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ my heritage.

I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you. 2 Timothy 1:5 (NLT)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ my faith.

This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline. 2 Timothy 1:6-7 (NLT)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ my faith.

So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord. 2 Timothy 1:8a (NLT)

#### **GRACE NEWS** If you want more information or to volunteer with any of these opportunites, please make a note on the Let's Connect card.

'Snowbirds' – It's that time of year when some of our friends flock back up north. If you are leaving us for the summer, please let us know when you are leaving and when you will be returning. Also, if you would like to receive emails of while you are gone, make sure we have your current email address! You can put it on your connect card, or call the office at 941-966-3306.

**Small Group Big Bash** April 29th at 6:00 – Come find out more about small groups – the key to growing spiritually and building life-long relationships. If you haven't joined a small group yet, or are interested in checking out a different one, join us to find out more! Dinner included!

**Shoes of Hope August 11th,** Provides a backpack full of school supplies, a Bible and new shoes to children in need. If you would like to volunteer, please indicate on your Connect Card. Please pick up a container in the lobby to fill with change – it takes around \$40.00 per child to start the school year prepared. Containers are due back on Sunday, May 6th. Are you interested in volunteering at this event? There will be an informational meeting on May 6th right after the service in the Worship Center.

**Nicaragua Mission 2018** - Informational meeting is Sunday, April 15 at 1 PM at the Cape Campus. We will be sending two teams out this year, Estelí from July 10-17 and October 4-11. We will be working closely with our partner churches and also serving our brothers and sisters in the barrio of La Cruz. If you feel called to go there are applications available at the info desk.

**SWFL Christian Counseling** will have office hours here at the church on Wednesdays from 10 am – 6 pm. Call their office at 239-301-4464 to schedule an appointment or for more information.

# LET'S CONNECT

#### PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

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□ I would like to meet with the pastor.

#### **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:	
Public Prayer List	For Pastors Only

#### **SMART GIVING**

go to: egracechurch.com/give -ORtext any amount + "Sarasota" to: 239.205.3123 (like this: 100 Sarasota)

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



**Dream Big** – We invite you to join the Operations Team in praying for some big dreams that are not in 2018 budget

- Additional High-top tables and chairs for Worship Center, \$350.00 per set, 5 sets \$1750.00
- A fresh look for the Vamo Road side of the building \$5500.00
- Safety/Alarm system \$3000.00

If you feel lead to give a gift towards any of these, please contact Pastor Patti.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Fishing Club** – 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the Boat House - Learn from a speaker and 'hook-up' with other fellow fisherman. Dinner available for \$5.00.

**Step Up** – AA meeting Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am in the Gathering Place Meeting room.

**Prayer hour** – Wednesdays, noon – 1 pm in the Worship Center. Come join us in praying for our church, our neighborhoods, the 941, & the nations. Come if you are in need of prayer.

**Praise & Worship practice** – Wednesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 – Do you play an instrument or sing? Interested in behind the scene, lighting, sound, graphics? Come find out more about joining the Tech or Praise Team.

**Alpha Course** – Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Potluck starts at 6:00 followed by teaching and discussion around the Christian faith.



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