

A photograph of a simple wooden table with four legs, standing on a dark, rocky ground. On top of the table is a nest made of dry straw and sticks. A white cloth is draped over the center of the nest. The background is a dark, starry night sky with a faint, hazy horizon line. The overall mood is contemplative and mysterious.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

December 23, 2018

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

Luke 1:26-27 (NLT)

What does it mean for us to carry the name "Christian?"

1. God has given me a new _____.

The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

Luke 1:28 (NIV)

2. God has given me a new _____.

Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

Luke 1:29-33 (NIV)

Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true."

And then the angel left her.

Luke 1:38 (NLT)

They all met together and were constantly united in prayer, along with Mary the mother of Jesus, several other women, and the brothers of Jesus.

Acts 1:14 (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 –This week we Celebrate Christmas Eve together. We will have a free community sit down dinner together at 5:30pm. Followed by Worship and a lesson at Group 6:45pm, small groups at 8pm. Childcare provided. Join us this week for a Special Christmas Eve service about A power greater than ourselves, Jesus who was born to save us.

Wednesday Worship - Join us, it is testimony night at 6:30pm followed by our free community dinner after.

Office Volunteer needed- Looking for someone to help out in the office during the week. If this is something you are interested in, please see Rochelle.

Christmas Eve Service tonight at 6pm A service the whole family will enjoy! Celebrate the birth of Christ with contemporary music, a live nativity, and candlelight.

New Year's Eve Party December 31st at 9pm come Ring in the New Year with your friends at Grace Church! Enjoy music and food!

Christmas Eve volunteers needed. Come Show up about 4:45pm on Christmas Eve to help out with the Celebrate Recovery Christmas Eve Dinner. We are planning a sit down meal where guests will be served. This is a wonderful way to spread the love of Jesus.

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: _____

☐ Public Prayer List ☐ For Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give

-OR-

text any amount + "Central" to:

239.205.3123

(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

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	\$ 1,257
Received YTD	\$ 88,022
Weekly Attendance	
328	