

# LET'S GO



*February 17, 2019*

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

*A great wave of persecution began that day, sweeping over the church in Jerusalem; and all the believers except the apostles were scattered through the regions of Judea and Samaria. (Some devout men came and buried Stephen with great mourning.) But Saul was going everywhere to destroy the church. He went from house to house, dragging out both men and women to throw them into prison.*

Acts 8:1b-3 (NLT)

### **What kind of church does Grace Church need to be for America?**

#### **1. Grace Church needs to be a church that is \_\_\_\_\_.**

*While Paul and Barnabas were at Antioch of Syria, some men from Judea arrived and began to teach the believers: "Unless you are circumcised as required by the law of Moses, you cannot be saved." Paul and Barnabas disagreed with them, arguing vehemently.*

Acts 15:1-2a (NLT)

*"For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us..."*

Acts 15:28a (NLT)

#### **2. Grace Church needs to be a church that is \_\_\_\_\_.**

*When they heard Paul speak about the resurrection of the dead, some laughed in contempt, but others said, "We want to hear more about this later." That ended Paul's discussion with them, but some joined him and became believers.*

Acts 17:32-34b (NLT)

#### **3. Grace Church needs to be a church that is \_\_\_\_\_.**

*So the Twelve called a meeting of all the believers. They said, "We apostles should spend our time teaching the word of God, not running a food program. And so, brothers, select seven men who are well respected and are full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will give them this responsibility. Then we apostles can spend our time in prayer and teaching the word."*

Acts 6:2-4 (NLT)

# GRACE NEWS

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

**What's up with the 9:41?** Why do the church bells chime at 9:41 every day? Why does church start at 9:41 on Sunday? Matthew 9:37-38 says 'Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." We are praying for laborers and we are praying that God would equip us to be harvesters! Set your phone alarm and join us in praying at 9:41 every day for our community, and the (941) area code.

**Partnership class**, Sunday, Feb 24 at 11:00  
Learn what it means to partner with Grace Church as we partner with God in transforming unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God. Indicate on your connect card or call the office to register.

**Baptisms are being planned for Good Friday**, April 19th – if you are interested in being baptized or remembering your baptism, please indicate on your connect card or call the office.

**The Walk to Emmaus** is a 3-day experience of spiritual renewal and formation. This retreat is designed to strengthen your personal relationship with Jesus as God's grace and love is revealed to you. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled lives to be lived and shared with others. The men's weekend is March 28th – April 3rd. The women's weekend is April 4th – 7th. For more information, indicate on your connect card or call the office. Applications are available at the info desk.

# LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

Date:     /     /      1st Time Visitor

How did you hear about Grace Church?

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday:     /     /      Male    Female

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Public Prayer List     For Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

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## SMALL GROUPS

I want to join a small group.

## SMART GIVING

go to: [egracechurch.com/give](http://egracechurch.com/give)

-OR-

text 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.



# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Exploring the Old Testament** – Sundays, 8:15 – 9:30 am in the Gathering Place.

**UHS ONE WORD** – Sundays, 8:30 – 9:30 am in the Conference Room.

**Pastor Bible study** – Tuesdays at 7:30 am, in the Gathering Place.

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

**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.

**Sprout** - 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month - Food distribution by All Faiths Food Bank from 10:00 – 11:30.

**Community Clothing Connection** - Open the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month from 10:00 – 11:30 am. Most items are only \$1.00.

**The Bible Story Plain and Simple**, Thursdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm in the Starting Point room.

**Grace on the Bay Kayaking** – 2nd Saturday of the month, leaving from Vamo Drive Park at 9:41am. Bring your own kayak or call the office and we will bring one for you!



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