GraceWEEKLY

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

June 8, 2014

NEW TO GRACE CHURCH?

Please make sure to fill out a Let's Connect Card! Our Information Center in the Welcome Area is open each Sunday morning to help you find information about the many ministries we offer. 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 have two worship services each week and various programming on Wednesdays:

Sunday	8:30 AM	Traditional
Sunday	10 AM	Contemporary
Wednesday	6 –8 PM	Various Programming

(Information on Wednesday programming and classes can be found throughout this Grace Weekly.)

We love kids! During the 10 AM Sunday service, we offer a full **Children's Worship** experience. Children are invited to go directly to Grace Place, which is located in the Fellowship Hall. We have a **Nursery** available during all Sunday worship services to provide a safe and welcoming environment for children, newborn to three years of age. The nursery is equipped with toys, books and loving people to provide for the needs of your child. In addition, we have a beeper system to contact you, if your child needs you.

Join us for a **free continental breakfast** on Sundays served in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00 - 11:30 AM!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

We count, because people count...

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 AM - 35 | 10:00 AM - 117 | Wed 60 Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 AM - 206 | 10 AM - 512 | 11:30 AM - 321

Online Viewers: 127

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 AM - 31 | 10 AM - 144 | Wed 219

Grace Community Center: 10 AM - 159

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - 50 | Friday - 211

Total Worship Attendance: 2192

GIVING: Fort Myers Shores Campus **General Fund:** 06/01/2014 \$7,485.75

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GRACE NEWS Fort Myers Shores

ARE YOU A FIRST TIME VISITOR? - Welcome! We don't want to embarrass you by asking you to stand up or raise your hand, but we do want to welcome you. Would you 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. Pastor Shari would love to meet you and will be available in the Welcome Center outside the Worship Center following the service. Before you leave 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.

WOMEN OF GRACE BIBLE - We will be taking a break in June and July for the summer and come back together on August 6. If you would like to join us please call Denny at 239.303.2054.

WOMEN OF FAITH— This event will be held October 10-11 in Orlando. Lots of great seats still available; Tickets are \$111.00 Call Robin Morrison for more information 239.340.8267. Bring a friend!

**WEIRD ANIMALS **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - It's getting closer, this year's Bible heme is **Weird Animals!* We need **YOU* and we need lots of supplies To make VBS a success! Please remember to sign up today to volunteer with us during VBS June 16-20. For more info contact Beverly at bcox@egracechurch.com

THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT - is August 14-15 via telecast at the Cape Coral mpus! The Summit is a world-class experience for leaders who want to get better.

Everybody has influence and the responsibility to lead well. If you are interested in attending this two day event the reduced cost is \$79 before July 15. Visit egracechurch.com/GLS2014 to register. If you need more info call Michele J at 239.694.2797

SHOES OF HOPE - We will be hosting our Shoes of Hope Distribution on Saturday August 9 from 10:00 - 1:00PM. Won't you come be part of this, and shine the light of Christ and a message of hope to a child? Sign up sheets are in the welcome center. More info call Michele J. at 239.694.2797.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS - The office will be closed on Fridays thru June and July.

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.

At Grace Church, we seek to REACH people who are far from God, CONNECT them to God and other Christ-followers, FORM them to be more and more like Jesus, and SEND them into the world to serve God and others!

REACH

Contact Ellen Donald

edonald@egracechurch.com or visit the REACH wall in the Welcome Area.

WHAT ARE REACH MINISTRIES? - Reach Ministries are ministries that engage and invite unchurched people in out community to experience the love of Christ through the Body of Christ! Some examples of Reach ministries that we engage in here at the Shores are Shoes of Hope, Trunk or Treat, and Upward. Do you have a heart for reaching out? Join us! Write Reach on your Let's Connect card.

PAWS - Do you have a furry friend in your house that has a loving disposition? On June 28 temperament testing for our four-legged friends will be done in the courtyard from 8:30 - 10:00 AM. Need more info, call Annie at 239.935.9626 or Susan 239.994.2129

KICKING IT WITH JC - Martial Arts/self-defense classes available on Thursday evenings from 7-8 PM in Fellowship Hall. This class is open to those 8 years old or older, and there is no charge! Bryan and Tricia Carpenter are the leaders, and can answer any questions you may have.

UPWARD SPORTS - Football season is right around the corner and we need you! Be a part of a ministry reaching children with the love of Christ. If you are interested in helping out, write Upward on your Let's Connect card.

CONNECT

Contact Robin Morrison

rmorrison@egracechurch.com or visit the CONNECT wall in the Welcome Area.

GREETERS - USHERS - Our Welcoming Team is awesome and appreciated! How about joining us by signing up to serve one Sunday a month? You will enjoy greeting people as they enter the building or help with the offering. We'd love you to be a part of the team! Contact Denny Pendarvis at 239.303.2054

PLUG IN! - Looking for a place to serve? The only requirements are an ability to smile and pour coffee between services. Contact Lillian to help at 339.7362.

MEN ON TARGET - Do you enjoy spending time in the great outdoors? Are you up for some friendly competition, fellowship and fun? Then this is for you! The men meet monthly for a sporting clay shoot. For more information call Ron Joray at 239.209.6006 or email him at flylta@gmail.com



FORM

shoresoffice@egracechurch.com or visit the FORM wall in the Welcome Area.

know we have all been excited since our youth declared to God and Grace Church, "I believe in Jesus Christ and I want to join God's mission for Grace Church to make fully devoted disciples for God's glory! Are you ready to make the same declaration? Your participation in our membership class on June 8 at 11:30 will inform you about our God given mission and vision and where you fit in.

MEN'S SMALL GROUP - Men, you are invited to Dunkin Donuts at 6 AM on Friday mornings for what may be some of the best time you will spend each week! The Holy Spirit does something in the lives of people involved in small groups that is profound, powerful and important. Just show up with a ready heart, there is space for you!

Walk to Emmaus! - Do you know the reason for Gulf Coast Walk to Emmaus? It is to inspire, motivate and equip us to be better at being the body of Christ. This is a 3 day retreat, an amazing journey. If you haven't been on this walk and would like to attend, check the FORM wall for an application. Next walk is: Men, September 18 - 21 and Women, September 25 - 28, 2014. If you have questions call Michele J. at the church office 239.694.2797

BIBLE STUDY - You are invited to join the Joy Prayer Group as they embark on a study on the Letters of John using Max Lucado materials. The cost of materials is \$10; the message is priceless. Fellowship starts at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to come!

DEEP AND WIDE — Are you interested in a ministry that will help us grow deep as a church and help our reach go wide? Be a part of God's plan, grow, and have your faith energized! Sound interesting? **TODAY** at 7PM you are invited to have dessert with Pastor Shari and Neil. Let them know if you will be there.

SENDContact Neil Johnson

njohnson@Gods_grace1@msn.com or visit the SEND wall in the Welcome Area.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - God has given Grace Church, all four campuses, the awesome goal of filling **8,000** shoe boxes this year for distribution to children in need all around the world. These boxes have been instrumental in showing the love of Jesus and changing lives. As part of this goal, Grace Church Fort Myers Shores campus is going to have a packing party on Saturday, **September 28, 2014**. with the goal of filling **500** boxes. To help in reaching this goal we are asking for donations of the following items:

June: Hair clips, jewelry - "girls toys".

July: School supplies! Look for all the "back-to-school" deals and penny items.

Drop off your items in the box marked Operation Christmas Child in the Welcome Center. Thank you for reaching out to children all over the world!

AGE LEVEL

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!

STUDENT MINISTRY - Students grades 6-12 are invited to join us on Wednesday night for a fun time of hanging out, playing games, worship, and a message about how God wants to relate to us! We begin with a free dinner at 6 PM and programming ends at 8 PM.

GRACE KIDS NEWS - If you have not received our monthly newsletter at E-Team or Grace Place they are available in the Welcome Area . Pick one up for information about what's going on in Children's Ministry at Grace Church.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Save the dates for this years VBS! The dates are June 16 - 20 from 6 PM to 8:15 PM. Your kids from preschool through 5th grade will have a blast eating, crafting, singing, and much more, and learn about God's love for them this summer! Want more info? Email Beverly at bcox@egracechurch.com or call the office 239.694.2797

RECOVERY

Contact shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

NEW STEP STUDIES STARTING SOON! - The next two Step Study groups for Men and Women will be starting in July at GCC. If you are ready to grow closer to God and learn more about yourself this is for you! Contact Greg for more info at 239.574.7161

with alcohol, you are not alone. Join us Thursday evenings at 8 PM in the Resource Room and get more information. You will find a warm welcome and the opportunity to receive help from people who have been where you are.

NEED A CARING FRIEND? - If you, a family member or friend are going through stressful times and need someone to listen, pray for and encourage you, get a confidential Stephen Minister. Mark your Let's Connect Card, or call Leigh Jarvis at 239.574.7161.



A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Good Morning!

We have discovered that Nehemiah, the man of action, spends a great deal of time on his knees asking for guidance and wisdom to equal the task of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem! And as God would have it, help came from an unexpected place.

Remember Artaxerses, the king Nehemiah had been forced to serve? Well, one day he notices Nehemiah has a sad look on his face. He asks him "Why so glum?" (Shari Lacey paraphrase) Nehemiah decides to tell him the whole story – including his plan to rebuild the walls and gates, and the king granted him everything he needed to do the job and then some!

He got a leave of absence from work, building materials, soldiers, letters of recommendation – you name it, God provided it through the king! What can we take from this story?

When God guides, God provides! Have a great week.

I love being your pastor!

Pastor Shari Lacey slacey@egracechurch.com

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9 AM - 1 PM

LEADERSHIP

Lead Pastor Jorge Acevedo*
Campus Pastor Shari Lacey*

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Director of Children's Ministries Beverly Cox*

Administrative Assistant Michele Jarke*

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Reach Team Ellen Donald*
Connect Team Robin Morrison*
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Facilities Douglas Petri Finance Charlotte Nesta* Nursery Coordinator Gail Leindecker

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*You can easily send an email to these staff members by using their first initial and last name @egracechurch.com

EXAMPLE: 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 SF 21st Place Cape Coral, FL 33990 239.574.7161

Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional 10 &11:30 AM - Contemporary 6:30 PM (Wed) - Contemporary

FORT MYERS CENTRAL **CAMPUS**

2415 Grand Avenue Fort Myers, FL 33901 239.334.3160

Worship Times:

8:30 AM - Traditional 10 AM- 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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