# **Grace**WEEKLY

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

October 05, 2014

### **NEW TO GRACE CHURCH?**

IF YOU ARE 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 give you a very warm welcome! We want you to know we are glad you're here, so would you please 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. 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. If you 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 LOVE KIDS!** - During the 10 AM Sunday service, we offer a full **Children's Worship** time. Children are invited to go to Grace Place, which is located in the Fellowship Hall. We also have a **Nursery** available during all Sunday worship services to provide a safe and welcoming place for children, newborn to three years of age. The nursery has responsible loving people, toys, and books to provide for the needs of your child. We also have a beeper system in place to contact you, if your child needs you.

We have two worship services each week and various programs throughout the week:

Sunday 8:30 AM Traditional

Sunday 10:00 AM Contemporary

Please join us for a **free** continental breakfast on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday 6 - 8 PM Youth program - E-Team and Revolution

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: September 23 - 28, 2014

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 AM - 27 | 10 AM - 148 | Wed - 63 | Emmaus - 1 Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 AM - 196 | 10 AM - 551 | 11:30 AM - 341 | Emmaus - 4

Online Viewers: 126

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 AM - 41 | 10 AM - 152 | Wed - 151 | Emmaus - 2

**Grace Community Center:** 10 AM - 156

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - 68 | Friday - 280

Total Worship Attendance: 2307

GIVING: Fort Myers Shores Campus
General Fund: 09/28/2014 \$4225.00

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# WHATS HAPPENING AT - Fort Myers Shores

**PACKING PARTY UPDATE -** <u>A BIG THANK YOU!</u> Thanks for coming out and making Operation Christmas Child a HUGE success; we could not have done it without you!! Everyone was so blessed this year that a larger vision has been put on our hearts for next year; 2000 boxes! So we need a team; if you are being called to participate with us in blessing these children mark your "Let's Connect" card OCC and someone will be contacting you soon.

**RIVER BAPTISM AND POTLUCK -** Join us <u>TODAY</u> at the Franklin Locks, for fun, food, fellowship, and baptism at 4:00 PM. Bring your best dish, a chair, and join the celebration!



**DAIRY QUEEN SUNDAY - TODAY** is Dairy Queen Sunday; after church from 11AM - 2PM Dairy Queen on Palm Beach Boulevard is donating a portion of their sales to the Age Level ministries of Grace Church. This is a great fellowship opportunity. Come and enjoy lunch at Dairy Queen!

**JOIN THE TRUNK OR TREAT TEAM -** It's time to embrace our neighbors with radical hospitality, and to invite them to be a part of our church family. If you are being called to be part of the planning team, just want to help, or reserve a spot on the field with your decorated vehicle, then come to the team get together **this Monday** October 6 at 6:30 in small Fellowship Hall, remember there are only 20 spots available on the field! We need to know your theme so we don't have duplicates. Call Michele at 239-770-4119 or email to mjarke@egracechurch.com.

**FOOD PANTRY -** This month we would like to make up some back packs for the homeless. We specifically want small cans of meat, tuna, and fruit with the pop tops only. We also can use any hygiene items, and any rolling backpacks that are still in working order would be greatly appreciated. Questions, call Adela at 239-694-8035.

**DINNER FOR 8 -** The next one will be Saturday November 15, from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Due to growing interest we are happy to report that we need more hostesses. Do you have the gift of hospitality? Call Kathy Johnson at 239-850-5557

### REACH

**KICKING IT WITH JC** - Martial Arts/self-defense classes are available on Monday evenings at 8PM for adults, and on Thursday evenings at 7PM for anyone 8 years old or older. This takes place in the Fellowship Hall, and there is no charge! If you wish to be a part of this or need more info call Bryan and Tricia Carpenter at 239.826.2032.

**UPWARD SPORTS -** Mark your calendar this week Saturday October 11 to come cheer on the kids! Here is the game schedule. 8 - 9AM and 9 -10AM is K - 2 grade, 10 - 11AM and 11AM -12PM is 3rd -6. Upward is in need of referees, if you are feeling called to be a part of this ministry team please contact, Ryan Pitts 239.980.0511, Brian Stevenson 239.745.0457, Michele Stevenson 469.952.1192, or Jessica Llado 239.980.1736 for more information or questions.

**GIRL SCOUTS TROOP 128 -** Daisies thru Ambassadors meet the 2 and 4 Mondays from 6:15 - 7:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Need more info? Contact Becky Alexander at 239-823-3391.

**TROOP 80 -** Did you know Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts meet here Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 PM? For more info contact Stan Wise at 239-826-5906 or Andrea Yeager at 239-887-0830.

# CONNECT

Contact Robin Morrison at rmorrison@egracechurch.com or visit the CONNECT wall in the Welcome Area.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK - "For many are called, but few are chosen."

Matthew 22:14 (NKJV)

**MEN ON TARGET** - Do you enjoy spending time outdoors, and up for having some fun and fellowship with other men? Then this is for you! Join this group of men for a sporting clay shoot. They meet monthly and you can be a part of it. For more information call Ron Joray at 239.209.6006 or email him at flylta@gmail.com

JOY GROUP – Calling all seniors, from 50 to 100+! Join the Joy Group each Monday at 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fun, friendship and fellowship. Come and join us on October 6, Music week with Jan Neff., come and play! Then on October 13, it's games week. You don't want to miss a single week there's always interesting speakers and enjoyable activities. Do you need a ride? Call Adela at 239.694.8035 or Alberta at 239.694.8139. All are welcome – spread the word!

**WOMEN OF FAITH -** is <u>THIS WEEK</u>, you don't want to miss out if this sounds like something you want to be part of, call 1.888.49.FAITH (888.493.2484) to order your tickets. There are still some good seats available. Carpooling and room sharing available, contact Robin Morrison for more details 239.340.8267.

### **FORM**

**JOY PRAYER BIBLE STUDY -** If you are 55 or older then bring your Bible and prayer requests and enjoy this opportunity of study in the Word. We meet in the small Fellowship Hall enjoy coffee and donuts on Thursdays 9:30 - 12 PM. Have questions, then call Lesley at 239.693.5431.

**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!

**WOMEN OF GRACE BIBLE STUDY** - Come join us each Wednesday from 10-11:30 AM in Classroom 2 at the church where we read and study scripture, enjoy field trips, movies and other exciting events. Please contact Denny Pendarvis with any questions at 239.303.2054.

# SEND

Contact Neil Johnson njohnson@Gods\_grace1@msn.com or visit the SEND wall in the Welcome Area.

**WHAT IS A SEND MINISTRY? -** Send ministries are those ministries of Grace Church that release God's people to make the realities of heaven the realities of earth. These ministries move followers of Jesus who call Grace Church their spiritual home from the seats to the streets to declare and display the amazing grace of God.

**KAIROS OUTSIDE** - is designed to support the families of men and women who are, or have been, incarcerated in state or federal correctional facilities, as well as county jails and/or offender programs. The spouses, parents, other relations and friends of the incarcerated often "do time" right along with their relatives/friends. It is important for them to know that they are not alone and that there is a Christian community that cares about them. There is support provided in a safe environment with Christian people during a Kairos Outside weekend.

YOUR FAITH PROMISE DOLLARS AT WORK! - Vacation Bible School update from Juarez Mexico. We were glad to have Grace send a team this year to help with two VBS programs. They made all our crafts ahead of time and helped our students with dramas, verses, games, crafts, and meeting the needs of the kids and adults alike. It was awesome! Thank you all for your encouragement, prayers and support. In His service, Nolan & Marie Schockey. Please keep Marie in your prayers; for healing from shingles, and Nolen for an implanted chip to monitor his heart, in Jesus Name.

### **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.

**DO YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH KIDS? -** We are still looking for Shepherds for E-Team! We need people on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 until 8:00 to escort and assist groups of children as they rotate through activities. The planning and teaching are done for you. You just get to enjoy the kids! Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to shine your light for Jesus. More info, contact Beverly at bcox@egracechurch.com

### RECOVERY

Contact shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY CENTRAL CAMPUS -** Kickoff has been changed to November 3, mark your calendars so you can be a part of it all. Dinner at 5:30 PM, large group at 6:30 PM, small groups at 7:45 PM. Have questions contact Scott Thornton at scotthandythornton@yahoo.com.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY CAPE CAMPUS -** This Friday hear an encouraging testimony from Danny Mc. Dinner at 5:30PM, large group 6:45PM, small groups 8:00PM, Solid rock café at 9:00PM.

**GET FIT -** Join us for a Yoga workout on Monday and walk away the pounds on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Choir Room. You can do the **FREE** program, regardless of your age or fitness level, you will leave feeling better! Call Jacque Rippe for more info at 694-0451.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS -** You will find a warm welcome from people who have been where you are. "Anonymity and confidentiality" are the core of this group. Join us Thursday evenings at 8 PM in Room 2.

**STEPHEN MINISTERS -** provides personal, Christ centered care to people experiencing grief, illness, stress and other difficulties. Stephen Ministers serve as caring friends who listen, pray, and encourage. If you need a caring ear mark your "Let's Connect" card Stephen Minister and someone will contact you.

# A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Friends-

Over the years, I have heard from several individuals who have suffered over choices they have made. They say, "Oh, if I had only turned this way instead of that!" or "I wish I knew then what I know now!"

If we could take the time to learn, to understand, to step back and get perspective — we could avoid much of the heartache that we suffer. We would undoubtedly make different decisions. Perhaps we would have finished school, or we would have not destroyed our health with smoking or poor eating habits. There are a thousand decisions in a lifetime that can change the trajectory of our lives forever. We just don't know it at the time.

That's one of the reasons I encourage all of us to spend time in the Word of God! The stories in the Bible can help us find the answers we need for those times when decisions must be made. God gave us his Word to teach us who he is and how he thinks so that we can respond biblically to whatever life throws at us.

I Love being your Pastor

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Pastor Shari Lacey slacey@egracechurch.com

### **Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM

# **LEADERSHIP**

Lead Pastor Jorge Acevedo\* Campus Pastor Shari Lacey\*

Director of Worship and Youth Ministries Keep Praying!

Director of Children's Ministries Beverly Cox\*

Administrative Assistant Michele Jarke\*

Care Team Judy Edwards
Connect Team Robin Morrison\*
Send Team Neil Johnson

Reach Team Is this your passion?

Facilities Chris Fraley
Finance Charlotte Nesta\*

Organist/Traditional Choir Millicent Callobre

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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 SE 21st Place Cape Coral, FL 33990 239.574.7161

### **Worship Times:**

8:30AM - Traditional

# FORT MYERS CENTRAL **CAMPUS**

2415 Grand Avenue Fort Myers, FL 33901 239.334.3160

### **Worship Times:**

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