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WEEKLY

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

November 02, 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: October 27 - November 2, 2014

Fort Myers Shores Campus: 8:30 AM - 35 | 10 AM - 174 | Wed - 57

Cape Coral Campus: 8:30 AM - 216 | 10 AM - 569 | 11:30 AM - 428

Online Viewers: 105

Fort Myers Central Campus: 8:30 AM - 36 | 10 AM - 167 | Wed - 146

Grace Community Center: 10 AM - 161

Celebrate Recovery: Tuesday - 48 | Friday - 247

Total Worship Attendance: 2389

GIVING: *Fort Myers Shores Campus*

General Fund: 10/26/2014 \$4557.50

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WHATS HAPPENING AT - Fort Myers Shores

RADICAL HOSPITALITY - A HUUUUUGE THANK YOU, to everyone that help make our radical hospitality outreach trunk or treat a huge success. As we were able to show the love of Christ to our community and children!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - The boxes are here! Get yours today; we will only have 100, so they will go fast. Don't forget these boxes you can write a letter and talk about God, because they are not going to restricted countries. Some items could be, coloring books, story books, small toys, combs, toothbrushes, hygiene items, but nothing liquid. We are looking for people to man the collection area each day, see the OCC table for sign up sheets. Boxes are being collected Nov 17-21 from 10am - noon at the church.

FOOD PANTRY - Thank you to all who have contributed to the food pantry! Lets fill the shopping cart with peanut butter and jelly this month!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DESSERT EXTRAVAGANZA! - Do you serve God at Grace Church in any capacity? Do you greet, usher, serve coffee, herd youngsters, lead a small group, stock pantry shelves, clean..... You get the idea! EVERYONE who serves in any way, shape, or form is heartily invited to let us treat you to a delicious dessert, all made by staff from all the campuses of Grace Church. We want to thank you for your ministry. We'll have a surprise or two coming your way that night, and Pastor Shari is encouraging us to have a huge turnout from the Shores. So please **SAVE THE DATE** – November 17, from 6:30 – 7:45 at the Grace Community Center.

TODAY

DAIRY QUEEN SUNDAY - TODAY is Dairy Queen Sunday! After church join us in fellowship between 11AM - 2PM at Dairy Queen on Palm Beach Boulevard. Be a part of what they are doing for the Age Level ministries of Grace Church. They will donate a portion of their sales back to us! Thank you Dairy Queen!

NEW MEN'S GROUP NOW FORMING! - This new group will meet Tuesday evenings from 6:30PM till 8PM. It is open to any man who is interested in enriching his walk with Christ and growing into the man God has called him to be. Does that sound like you? Contact Neil Johnson at 239.265.3117. Join us on the journey.

CIRCLE MAKER STUDY NOTES AND VIDEOS - For the next four weeks you are encouraged to actively participate in the Circle Maker experience by downloading study notes from our website and watching the video teaching of Pastor Jorge from our Cape Coral campus. Invite a friend or neighbor to do the study with you – all the tools are on the site at egracechurch.com. Not computer savvy? There are a limited number of DVDs available in the Welcome Area on the FORM wall.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - Materials are needed for the prayer shawl ministry! This is a great time of year to rid yourself of yarn and fabric you no longer need. We will use it to make lap robes, baby blankets, and prayer shawls! Simply bring it by the office or drop it in the basket in the welcome area and we will put it to good use. Thank you!

REACH

visit the REACH wall in the Welcome Area.

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 .

Update!

UPWARD SPORTS - Mark your calendar this week Saturday November 8, 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 - 8:00 PM? For more info contact Stan Wise at 239-826-5906 or Andrea Yeager at 239-887-0830.

CONNECT

Contact Tina Glenn at dtina1031@aol.com or visit the CONNECT wall in the Welcome Area.

Update!

DINNER FOR 8 - It's almost time to enjoy some fellowship with friends you already know, and get to know some you may not know yet! "Mexican" will be the next dinner theme and it 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

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 November 3, It's music week with Jan Neff!. Then on November 10, 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!

WACH THIS SPACE - We have lots of new and interesting things coming up over the next coming months for the holiday season; and you don't want to miss out!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOME FRESH IDEAS - Do you have some fresh new ideas? Would you like to be a part of this Connect team as we create them? Then mark your "Let's Connect" card "Connect" and we will contact you!

FORM

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

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.

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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.

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

SEND

★ **SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK** - *Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Ephesians 6:18*

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.

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER - The India team! Pastor Shari travels along with Patti Nemazie, Pastor Jorge, Charlotte Nesta, Susan Thompson, and Laurie Brown. They will be leave October 31 and return November 11. The team will be sharing the Gospel by storying, which is a way of communicating the Gospel for those who do not read or have access to a Bible. They will also be sharing the impact a Christian 12 step program can have in the church and in an individual. Please keep them lifted up while they are gone and for God to do amazing things thru them, in Jesus' name!

FAITH PROMISE DOLLARS - Mark your calendars for Send Global 2015 Mission Conference February 4 - 8, 2015. "Here, there, and everywhere" ACTS 1:8 Come and find out how our faith promise dollars have been at work.



AGE LEVEL

Contact Beverly Cox at bcox@egracechurch.com
Contact shoresoffice@egracechurch.com

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 .

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RECOVERY

CELEBRATE RECOVERY CENTRAL CAMPUS - Kickoff is **Monday**, November 3, mark your calendars and hear how God has been working thru testimony. Dinner at 5:30 PM, large group at 6:30 PM, small groups at 7:45 PM. Have questions contact Scott Thornton at scotthardythornton@yahoo.com.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY CAPE CAMPUS - This Friday hear a lesson by Arlene J, don't come alone bring a friend! Dinner at 5:30PM, large group 6:45PM, small groups 8:00PM, Solid rock café at 9:00PM.

FITNESS - FAITH - FELLOWSHIP - 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.



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INTERNATIONAL RELIEF

A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHARI:

Greetings from India!

The sights, sounds and experiences here are both eye opening and life changing! I am thankful to you for this experience and trust God that he will use this team in a major way. We need your prayers for good health, good rest, and for the minds and hearts of these beautiful people to be open to the Message we are sharing.

When I last wrote, we started the conversation by asking what it means for you and I to believe. Believing can also be described as having faith, and that is one of today's most misunderstood concepts. I experienced some "pushback" when I tried to share my faith with some students at Duke. Remember, I go to Duke Divinity, but there are schools of medicine, law, and applied science there too. In an academic setting or a scientifically oriented culture some think that to embrace faith in God is intellectual suicide. On the contrary. I believe that the more we discover, the bigger our galaxy grows, and the more complex our knowledge becomes, all those discoveries serve as a witness to the enormous, incalculable creative abilities of God. God is greater, bigger, and more than we can comprehend!

How we know this? By faith! Properly understood, faith always remains grounded in the intellect, but not merely the intellect. Faith begins with knowledge moves to assent, and is expressed in trust. I'll be sharing more next week, but until then, keep praying!

I Love being your Pastor,



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	Tina Glenn
Send Team	Neil Johnson
Reach Team	Is this your passion?
Facilities	Chris Fraley
Finance	Charlotte Nesta*
Organist/Traditional Choir	Millicent Callobre

*You can easily send an email to these staff members by using their first initial and last name @egracechurch.com EXAM-
PLE: 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 SE 21st Place
Cape Coral, FL 33990
239.574.7161

Worship Times:

8:30AM - Traditional
10 & 11:30 AM - Contemporary

FORT MYERS CENTRAL CAMPUS

2415 Grand Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901
239.334.3160

Worship Times:

8:30 AM - Traditional
10 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

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Hours:

Saturday - Monday
10 AM - 3 PM



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