

January 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
REGISTRATION STARTS JANUARY 11 FOR NEW 2015 G3 GROUPS. SESSION ONE BEGINS THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1ST.				1 New Year's Day—Church Office Closed	2 6-7am Early Morning Prayer in Office RENEWAL returns from Cru Confer- ence in Colorado	3 10:00am MSG's leave for New Theatre Restaurant
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Welcome to 2015!

The beginning of a new year means new resolution, new opportunity, and usually new challenges. For Grace Evangelical Church, 2015 promises to be one filled with all of the above.

For the past year the church leadership has been grappling with how to make way for another generation to find ministry at Grace, while also seeking to preserve the ministry that we've had for the past 30 years. In seeking to address all of the issues surrounding the topic, we've determined to establish some new additions to our regular Sunday morning line up.

Beginning March 8, (the week after our annual Missions Conference) we'll adjust our service times to 8:00am (from 8:15) and to 11:00am (from 10:45). These 15-minute shifts will allow us to create a new service time at 9:30am, in order to move the service that has met in the old chapel into our current sanctuary. As a result, we will preserve the worship style of our two blended services while making room for our more contemporary service by relocating it to the sanctuary.

In addition to these changes in service times, we'll be adding an additional Sunday School hour and mov-

ing the time of the current Sunday School hour up by 20 minutes. This will create a new time slot for a younger generation to begin instructing their peers, and thus, continue our tradition of Biblical instruction for the next generation. The new Sunday School hours will be from 9:40-10:40am and 10:55-11:55am.

This change in infrastructure alone will not allow us to minister fully without making some adjustments in our ministerial staff. Pastor Nick Pierce began serving as our full time Youth Pastor in November, and beginning in January, Pastor David Ernst will join the pastoral staff as Senior Ministries Pastor.

Additional staff realignment will begin in January following the retirement of our long-time Facility Director, Denny Schneider. His contribution to Grace has been profound, and we thank the Lord that there are qualified individuals ready to step in and continue in Denny's footsteps. Dyann Duncan will take on the full-time role of Facility Director and move into a part-time student ministry assistant position under the direction of Pastor Nick. In addition, Gary Reynolds will move into a new full-time Maintenance Director position overseeing all Grace property. We're also adding a couple of college students in part-time ministry assistant roles. Josh Smith will be a Media ministry assistant working under the direction of Media Director Jeremy Sharp, and Sean Killen will be a College ministry assistant working under the direction of Pastor Ken Maxey.

All in all, this promises to be a year of new challenges, but new exciting opportunity as well. My prayer is that 2015 will be a year in which you experience God's presence, favor, and blessing.

Happy New Year!
Pastor Darrell

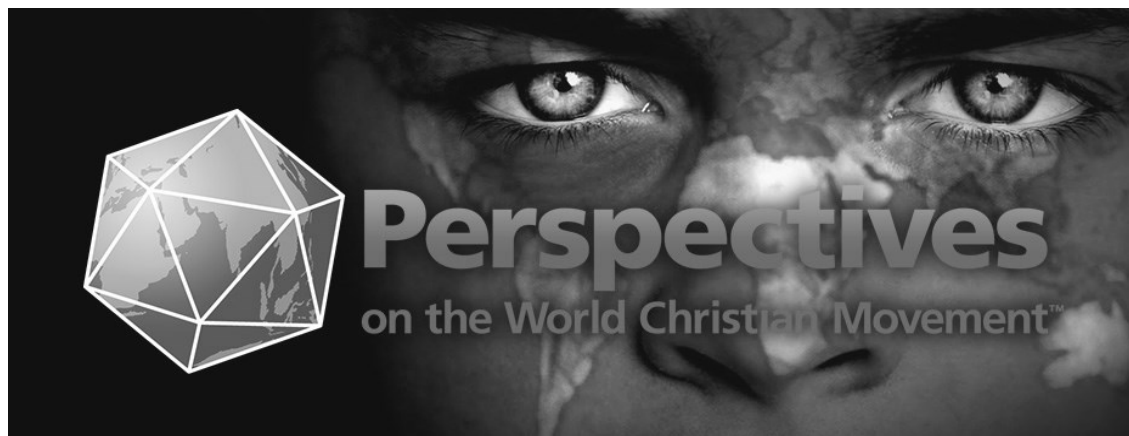
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We are very excited to be the host church for a 15-week session of PERSPECTIVES in 2015. PERSPECTIVES is a ministry of the U.S. Center for World Mission, a non-denominational ministry serving churches and mission agencies worldwide, offering “Perspectives on the World Christian Movement.” PERSPECTIVES will help you experience God’s heart for all peoples and encounter the momentum of the World Christian Movement. It will open the eyes of your heart with fresh knowledge and understanding of God’s unchanging purposes and why they are relevant to your life. We encourage members and attendees of Grace Evangelical to consider enrolling in these classes and get threaded into the biggest story of all time. There are four different enrollment levels offered: Key reading (audit) only; Certificate; Three semester hours of undergraduate credit; Three semester hours of graduate credit.

PERSPECTIVES classes will be held at Grace on Tuesday evenings beginning January 13, 2015, and will meet weekly for 15 weeks. We plan to begin enrollment in November. The cost for the class is \$250, but the church is underwriting \$100 of that for those who regularly attend Grace. There are discounts available for early registration and added family members as well. The Missions Committee is also establishing a \$100 grant for any Grace member/attendee who participates in a short-term missions trip after completing PERSPECTIVES on a Certificate or credit level.

For more information on PERSPECTIVES, go to this website: www.perspectives.org or on YouTube, look for “Perspectives on the World Christian Movement.”



2015 Session One G3 Groups Begin February 1st

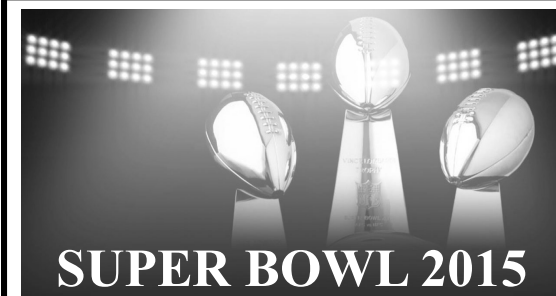
We are ready to kick off a new year and a new session of G3 (Grace Growth Groups). This year we will have two sessions instead of three. Each session will be a little bit longer, but we hope they will be more conducive to everyone’s schedule. We want our people to continue to connect with one another and grow deeper in their walk with the Lord in 2015. Registration for Session One G3 will begin on Sunday January 11, 2015.

This session runs from **February 1st through April 25th**. We encourage everyone to get involved in G3 if at all possible. Our goal is for you to find a group that is a good fit for you. If you have questions about G3 please call the church office and talk with Pastor Chris. Don’t miss this opportunity to “...grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”



The Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the Spring 2015 semester. If you are a *new applicant*, forms and scholarship guidelines are available at the church Information Desk. For *returning students*, please bring or email a copy of your current grades to the church office. Grades and scholarship applications are **due to the church office by January 11th**.

Scholarship assistance is open to regular attendees of Grace who are currently enrolled in college level classes and is limited to available donations held in the Memorial Scholarship Fund.

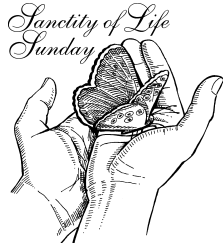


We are planning a day filled with fun and fellowship along with the football game for **Super Bowl Sunday, on February 1st**. Pre-game events get underway that morning when we encourage everyone to **invite friends and wear their favorite team apparel to church**. Pastor Darrell’s message will reach out with the Word of God to all our visitors so don’t miss this opportunity to invite someone to church!

That evening, in place of our regular service, G3 groups will be organizing Super Bowl parties where you are invited to a member’s home or other locale to watch the game and enjoy fellowship with other church families.

A party is also being planned at church for the children of those who are attending the adult fellowship gatherings. Children from age 4 through 5th grades may be brought to the church no earlier than **5:00pm** and must be picked up within 30 minutes of the game’s end. In order to provide adequate food and supervision, we need to know how many children are coming and their ages. Therefore, **all children must be pre-registered to attend this party**. Sign up in Children’s Church or at the Information Center. Parents must check their children in and provide emergency contact information before leaving them at the party. Lots of help is needed for this event so any adult who would like to volunteer is encouraged to call Pastor Dan at 279-2090.

Parties and activities are also being planned for our other Student Ministry Groups so watch the bulletin and student ministry kiosk for more information as details are confirmed.



January 18, 2015

Since 1983, Americans have observed *Sanctity of Human Life Sunday* as a day to celebrate the intrinsic value of all human life.

This day commemorates the U.S. Supreme Court decision issued on January 22, 1973, known as *Roe vs. Wade*. This ruling, along with *Doe vs. Bolton*, legalized abortion on demand in our country. Since then, more than 55 million abortions have been performed in the United States.

As we observe ***Sanctity of Human Life Sunday*** on **January 18, 2015**, we invite you to remember those affected by abortion. Please join with other Christians across America in praying for:

- 1) the Supreme Court members and those with decision-making power that God might move their hearts to overturn this ruling;
- 2) doctors and medical personnel who perform abortions, that God might impress them with the message of the Gospel and give them the grace to turn from doing abortions;
- 3) pregnant teens and women that they might receive the grace they need to love and protect the child God has placed in their care;
- 4) those women and families who have already experienced abortion, that they might receive the spiritual and emotional healing that they need.

Need Prayer?

**24-Hour
Prayer Chain Number
816-244-9868**

For Emergency or Urgent Requests



"Hands of Grace"

We had a wonderful time ringing bells for the Salvation Army in December. What a privilege it is to serve the Lord in such a fun way and know we are helping a worthy cause!

Now we are beginning a new year of being used of God to bless those who need assistance in our community.

January we will be taking "Sanctity of Life" Sunday on January 18TH to remind ourselves of the importance of valuing life by kicking-off our annual **"Baby Bottle" fundraising drive to support the Pregnancy Resource Center**. PRC is dedicated to helping pregnant women in making decisions for life and giving them needed assistance with caring for their babies. PRC's "Baby Bottle" fundraiser helps provide life-affirming Biblically-based resources to encourage decisions regarding pregnancy, abortion, and sexual abstinence. We will have baby bottles available for members of our congregation to take home on that Sunday and return in mid-February filled with their cash donations, be it loose change, checks, or bills of any denomination. (If you choose to write a check, please make it payable to the *Pregnancy Resource Clinic*.)

Special Thanks

**To everyone who helped set up and
take down the Nativity Scene
at Holiday Park. What a Blessing!**



By definition, reset means to put back in the correct position for healing, like with a broken bone.

***Christ came and took our sin, which broke us from God, and He put us into a position of healing, covered in His blood. Reset Student Ministry is where our lives can be given a
RESET, IN CHRIST!***

"Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come."

2 Corinthians 5:17

Nick Pierce

Youth Pastor

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Identity in Christ

"Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come." 2 Corinthians 5:17

The promise of God is that as I am in Christ, He will continually change me from the inside out. It is less of the 'old Nick,' and more of Christ in me, the 'new Nick.' Indeed, I am a new creation. Even though I look the same, my words are different, my actions are different, and my heart is different. There should be an evidence of change in my life. I am known by my fruits, not by my appearance. It is a continual process of change; taking off the old, putting on the new...to become more like Jesus.

Luke 5:37-38 states, "And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled out, and the skins will be ruined. But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins." The point in Scripture here is that the new teaching of the grace of Christ cannot be contained within the old forms of the law. The Gospel is new, amazing, and alive. It cannot be contained in the old way of life.

I read these verses and I think of the excitement of life I had when I finally lived like I truly believed that Jesus meant what He said. I have this same excitement when I think of the youth ministry here at Grace Evangelical Church. I am blessed to be a part of this team. My prayer is that the memory of the past would not overshadow the excitement of the present, and the vision for the future.

A major focus I have is that this ministry, these wonderfully talented, fun, energetic students, are a part of the church now not just the future of the church. I want the youth ministry to think of itself less as a separate program of the church and more as a network of relationships helping these teenagers grow in their faith. Every ministry in the church is relevant to students. Every ministry contains rich potential for youth ministry.

So, as we continue forward, and this thing called youth ministry at Grace morphs and changes to become more like Christ, I hope you will pray and see how the Lord directs you to be a part of this. D.L. Moody said it better than I ever could, "The world has yet to see what God will do with and for and through and in and by the man who is fully consecrated to Him. He said 'a man', he did not say, a great man, nor a learned man, nor a 'smart' man, but simply 'a man.' I am a man, and it lies with the man himself whether he will or will not make that entire and full consecration. I will try my utmost to be that man."

***In Christ Alone,
Pastor Nick***



Kid's Corner..

With Dan Blakely
Children's Pastor

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High Five Ministry Update

With the new changes being implemented regarding service times for March 2015 we felt it would be good to recap the transformation taking place in High Five Ministries. In order to further assist in this transition process, we will hold one more set of formal meetings for parents and volunteers during the month of January. These meetings have been informational in nature and designed to help solidify our efforts in ministering to students together.

The goal of High Five is to reach the lost and build the saved through 5 basic biblical principles:

God is the Savior for the world.

- John 3:16-17

God is our personal Savior and friend.

- Matthew 22:37

We are all special in God's eyes.

- Matthew 22:39

God and his word help us to make the right choices in life.

- Exodus 20:1-17

We need to share God's Love with everyone.

- Matthew 28:19-20

We want students to know that God created them, loves them, and has a plan/purpose for their lives. Our desire is for all students that graduate out of High Five ministry programming to have developed strong foundational roots in Christ and have found their identity in Him.

Beginning in March 2015, High Five Ministries will be offering a new branch of ministry specifically designed

for 5th Grade students called the "Crosswalk." In September 2015, this service provision will extend to 6th graders.

The **CROSSWALK**, operated under High Five Ministries, will be one more avenue for providing students a unique opportunity to deepen their walk in Christ.

At this stage in life, students are learning more abstractly. Our purpose and calling in life demands choices, our free will yielded to Christ as Savior and Lord or to our own ambitions. What matters most in our lives will dictate our choices. Our choices help define who we are, and who we will become. Do we give God the green light in all of them?

The Crosswalk will be a place for students to:

- ***Strengthen their personal relationship and walk with God.***
- ***Deepen their understanding of who they are in him.***

Our Goal is to partner with families in their effort to help their children:

- ***Stop at God's caution;***
- ***Yield to God's wisdom;***
- ***Go travel life's road through the light of his word.***

Beginning the week of January 11th, all current 5th Grade students will be integrated into High 5 Ministries programming for Sunday and midweek services.

Additional changes are underway to make High Five ministries a unique enriching opportunity for all students. If you have a child currently in 5th grade or are an active High Five volunteer, we encourage you to make plans to attend the following meetings applicable to you.

Crosswalk meetings have been arranged for the following dates and times.

- **Parent meeting (for current 5th grade students) – Tuesday, January 13th, from 6-7 pm.**
- **High Five Volunteer meeting – Tuesday, January 13th, from 7-8 pm .**

High Five on Facebook

We encourage all parents of children to friend us on Facebook. Look us up under High Five ministries. Our goal is to offer an opportunity for our church family to connect, share positive stories, and grow together in Christ. In addition our Facebook page helps us post upcoming events and focus on what our weekly power points and messages are for children and families. All children must have their parents' assistance/approval to link up. Hope to see and hear from you on the web soon...

Grace Family Christmas Program

A Big THANK YOU goes out to all our friends of Grace who made our 2014 Christmas Program so special. Always a joy to see students demonstrate the Three C's required in ministry when serving Christ as a church together: Commitment, Consistency and Cooperation.

There were many memorable moments in the program that we will always cherish. Thank you for your support in helping your children do their best in such fine form.

Little Treasures Nursery Ministry Transition

Over the course of the past 8 years it has been a privilege to be involved in the *Little Treasures Nursery*. Over this period of time, there have been many transitions. We have gone from 4 fulltime staff that served every Sunday morning, evening and Wednesday nights, to a larger more diversified group for an ever-changing church schedule. In addition there have been changes in structure and programming, child monitoring, and much more. As I have often said with regard to Children's ministry we are always a work in progress. The same is true when looking at the littlest amongst us.

Effective January 1st, 2015, I will no longer be directly involved with the Little Treasures ministry. With the transitions that have been implemented, I will be expanding my role in other ventures involving stu-

dents in addition to expanding service and support opportunities for children and adults with special needs.

Pastor Ken Maxey will be assuming my role as lead. We believe that his connection with young adults and families will be a great opportunity for all. I welcome this transition, and I am very excited for the opportunities that lay ahead for children and families.

Thank you for your trust and partnership in serving the littlest treasures of Grace. It has been a privilege and honor to serve with you.

Pastor Dan

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Ladies. MG Event
Wednesday, January 28th
6:30-8:00PM

FREEZE.ING

Learn to prepare meals for the
crock pot so you can put all the
ingredients in and just
"Let It Go!"

Take home a prepared meal along
with extra recipes.

Free Event.

Childcare provided at church.

Notes & Quotes

Wow what a church family! Thank you for the prayers and the beautiful flowers. It has been so comforting, knowing I have prayer power behind my healing process.

Love you all,
Dixie Crail

Grace Evangelical Church Family,
We just wanted to thank you all so much for your continued partnership & love that you show us! This relationship truly makes our jobs easier knowing you're behind us!

Much love and thanks,
Ryan, Jamie, Jack & Baby Wagner
Missionaries with Cru

Dear Grace,
Thank you so much for the flowers sent for my mother's service. Her life was truly an honor to our faithful God. She loved Him so much. We appreciate your support.

Kim Schmitz

Thank you so much for your donation to the Safety Patrol Party. I appreciate it.

Officer Todd Smith

Thank you for the flowers. They were so pretty. Thanks for the visits to the hospital from Dennis & Chris and for the prayers from all while I was in the hospital.

God Bless,
Judy Reynolds

To My Church Family,
Thank you so very much for the beautiful plant, the cards and the prayers we received for all of you. Pastors Dennis & Chris were there at the visitation to pray for my dad and the family also.

The Family of Robert Dornhoffer

THANK YOU!

I want to thank everyone here at Grace for the cards, gifts, and kind words of encouragement. As I retire from the job as Facility Director, I reflect back on all the people I've met and the friends I have made over the years. It was a true privilege to serve you and all those who came through the doors here at Grace for different events year after year.

Blessings to all of you,
Denny Schneider

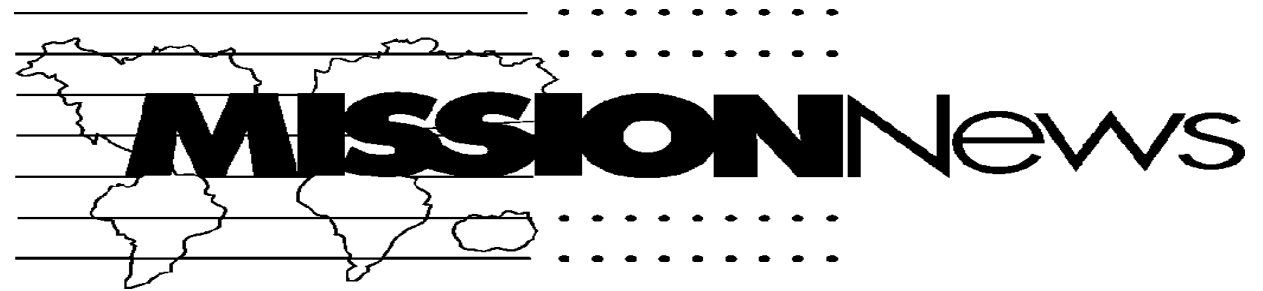


From the Staff

It is again with humble hearts that we extend our gratefulness to the body of believers at Grace Evangelical Church for the generous showing of love and appreciation that you extended to us and our families during the Christmas season. We are very grateful for the monetary blessing from the church as well as the thoughtful cards, gifts, and the many other sweets and goodies that found a way to our offices and homes this Christmas.

You have blessed us all, and we thank God for the privilege of serving the Lord with you. We hope and pray that the year ahead will be filled with many moments of joy and peace for every one of you! Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your lives.

With much love and appreciation,
Your Pastors and Church Staff



Brandon & Kelli Bodenhausen InFaith – Southern Missouri

We want to take a minute and wish you a happy New Year. We are so thankful for you and all of your prayers and support you have given us. We feel blessed to have the opportunity to serve the Lord and share the Gospel with others and count it an awesome privilege. Our ministry has become multi-faceted in a way we never envisioned and we are so grateful for what God is doing through us.

Ryan & Monica Reeves Campus Crusade for Christ – Kansas City

We continue to have a great staff team and wonderful students to work with. We also celebrated four years of marriage during November. God continues to impact student's lives as He graciously uses us to share His love and the good news of Jesus Christ with many. Your prayers and financial partnership is making a difference in the lives of so many students. Thank you for being an integral part of our ministry.

Ricky & Heather Lundholm Mission Aviation Fellowship – Indonesia

How exciting it is to be writing this, knowing we will soon see many of you face to face. Our home assignment is right around the corner. There is also an anticipation and excitement as we think about our new home and friends-to-be waiting for us in Kalimantan. God has brought us so far. He has grown us, changed us, revealed Himself to us, and done so many more amazing things. God is faithful, and He is leading us each step of the way on our journey with Him.

Jim & Connie Maxey Giving Hope Ministries - Kirksville, MO

In June, we made a return trip to Edwin L. Hodges Ministries in Alabama transporting another load of Christian literature for distribution to missionaries worldwide. Through your generous support we were able to transport a total of 1300 pounds of Christian literature. Our team received a wonderful blessing as we were recently a part of Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Processing Center in Minnesota. Thank you to all who helped us celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary in October.

Upcoming Mission Trip



Please be in prayer about joining this mission team:

We will be doing a work and witness trip to **Burkina Faso, West Africa in mid-July 2015**. We will be working alongside missionaries Joel & Heidi Hayslip, with Go To Nations, on their new ministry center. If you are interested in joining the team please sign the list and pick up an application at the information desk.

COUNCIL MEETING

November 18, 2014

Members Present: Darrell Jones, Dennis Jennings, Dan Blakely, Ken Maxey, Chris Olson, Nick Pierce, Tony Bryan, Frank Stanley, Rick Lipira, Dave Montgomery, Gary Reynolds, Joe Huber, Mark McMain, Kelly Houston and Mike Dragoo.

Absent: Ted Myers

Opened meeting with prayer

CONSENT AGENDA was accepted as presented with the following items approved:

- Minutes of Past Meetings – October 2014 & email votes
- Finance Reports for October 2014:
 1. General Fund Report
 2. Storehouse Account Report
 3. Special Projects Money Market Account Report
- Benevolence Committee Report for October 2014.
- Missions Committee Report for November 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

- Motion was passed to amend the budget for the 2014 Marriage Getaways and increase it by \$1,136.37 to cover the added expense incurred due to larger than anticipated attendance.
- An update was given on the New Hope Missionary Baptist Project.
- Motion passed to release the previously approved conditional payment to assist The Crossing with the purchase of a building from Habitat for Humanity.
- Nick Pierce provided a update on the Youth Room renovations.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion was passed to invite Pastor Pat Wood and Pastor Jason Davis to join the Grace Pastors in attending the Calvary Chapel Pastors Conference in Merritt Island Florida in January.
- Motion was passed for the church to host a Retirement Reception on December 6th for Denny Schneider, with the details to be determined by Chris Olson.
- Chris Olson is to determine the number and cost of the office windows needed.
- Motion was passed to proceed with the switch to Direct Deposit for payroll and change the policy to pay every two weeks instead of twice a month beginning in 2015.
- Motion passed to accept the 2015 Storehouse Budget as

presented, totaling \$72,280 in expenses. Motion was seconded and passed.

- The 2015 General Fund Expense Budget was discussed and reviewed with a final budget for expenses of \$1,623,936.48 being approved by email vote following the meeting. All votes were in by 11-21-2014.

OTHER

- Next Meeting: Council Appreciation Dinner - December 6, 2014.
- POI: January 30-31, 2015, will be council retreat held at Grace.

December 6, 2014

Present: Darrell Jones, Dennis Jennings, Ken Maxey, Chris Olson, Dan Blakely, Nick Pierce, Dave Montgomery, Tony Bryan, Frank Stanley, Rick Lipira, Gary Reynolds, Kelly Houston, Joe Huber and Mark McMain.

Absent: Ted Myers and Mike Dragoo.

Opened meeting following Council Dinner.

- Motion passed to close the church office on Friday, December 26, 2014, with all affected staff being allowed to use vacation time.
- Motion passed to bring Sean Killen on staff as a student ministries intern for the month of December 2014.
- Motion passed that the Council recommend Missions as the preferred fund for year-end giving designation.

Next Meeting:: January 30, 2015, will be Council Retreat held at Grace.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Olson

Church Council Secretary

*Our Purpose:
Grace Evangelical Church
exists for the purpose of
reaching the lost and hurting
of our community and world
in the love of Christ,
involving them in the word,
worship, and service of God.*

Three Month Calendar Of Coming Events

JANUARY 2015

- 1 – New Year's Day – Office Closed for Holiday
- 3—MSG's to New Theatre Restaurant
- 4—High School Youth Progressive Dinner
- 4—Missions Committee Meeting
- 5 – Open Door Food Kitchen Ministry
- 6—Holiday Park Nativity comes down
- 6—Mom's Group Meets
- 8– Day of Prayer & Fasting
- 8—12th Man Prayer meeting in Chapel
- 11—New G3 Sign up begins
- 13—PERSPECTIVES classes begin
- 14 – MSG supper Meeting & Bingo Night
- 19 – PM: India Mission Team Report
- 17 – Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- 18 – Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- 20—Mom's Group Meets
- 25 – COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 25—Youth to Winter Jam Concert
- 25 – "Hands of Grace" Committee Meeting
- 26 – Valley Community Food Kitchen Ministry
- 28—Women's FREEZ.ING Event

FEBRUARY

- 1 – Super Bowl Sunday – PM Fellowships
- 1—G3 2015 Session One begins
- 2 – Open Door Food Kitchen Ministry
- 3—Election Day—Voting Booths in Lobby
- 5 – Day of Prayer & Fasting
- 5—12th Man Prayer in Chapel
- 6-13 – Honduras Mission Trip – Week 1
- 8—PM Valentine's Dinner & a Movie Night
- 13-20 – Honduras Mission Trip – Week 2
- 19 – Church Council Meeting
- 20 – High Five Family Lock Out
- 21 Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- 21—Youth Dodge Ball Tourney @ Spring Garden
- 22 – COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 22-23 – Missions Prayer Vigil
- 22-1 – Missions Focus Week
- 23 – Valley Community Food Kitchen Ministry
- 25—Missionaries join Student Ministry Mtgs.
- 28—Missions/Hands of Grace Outreach Projects
- 28—All Church Dinner with Missionaries

MARCH

- 1 – Missions Sunday with Andy Bowen, WGM
- 3 – Open door Food Kitchen Ministry
- 5—Day of Prayer & Fasting
- 5—12th Man Prayer in Chapel
- 7—Sloan/Smith Wedding in Sanctuary with Reception to follow in Kid's Church Area
- 8—New Service Times Launched & Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 12-15 – Student Ministry Disciple-Now Weekend
- 19 – Church Council Meeting
- 20-22—Singles Getaway Weekend at Lied Lodge
- 23 – Valley Community Food Kitchen Ministry
- 24—Pickett School Music Program in Sanctuary
- 27-28—Women's Ministry Retreat
- 28 – Boy Scout Dinner at Grace
- 29—Palm Sunday—PM *Jews for Jesus* Seder

December Finance Report

Receipts

12-07-14	
General Fund	\$39,722.53
Missions Fund	\$ 3,170.00
Building Fund	\$ 420.00
12-14-14	
General Fund	\$32,491.04
Missions Fund	\$ 6,180.00
Building Fund	\$ 25.00
12-21-14	
General Fund	\$41,531.55
Missions Fund	\$ 3,043.00
Building Fund	\$ 120.00
12-28-14	
General Fund	\$35,217.93
Missions Fund	\$13,748.00
Building Fund	\$ 143.33
TOTAL RECEIPTS	
General Fund	\$148,963.05
Missions Fund	\$ 26,141.00
Building Fund	\$ 708.33
Specials/Reimbursed	\$ 8,893.20
12-31-14 Totals	Not Yet Available