

MaryAnn Barlow the Missionator

Three New Initiatives

We are currently developing THREE new initiatives - in France, Central Asia, and Japan - so young adults can discover mission on-site: meeting the staff, learning their strategy, and experiencing firsthand the cross-cultural ministry. **Pray** that those God wants to be a part will sign up, and that we'll have wisdom as we create three new initiatives simultaneously.

Training to Mediate

Conflicts are a normal part of life in this broken world. When working cross-culturally, basic conflicts can become very tricky.

Some of you probably remember that I was trained in mediation and conflict-resolution. In the next few days, I will be sharing key parts of that training with Encompass staff, who will in turn use it to come alongside some of our cross-cultural teams. **Pray** that those ideas and methods will help bring resolution and restored relationship.

Family Extended

For more than 30 years, we have lived far from extended family. Now, we are driving distance from most of our extended families - and we are living the joys and challenges of finding our role a n d place with God's help.

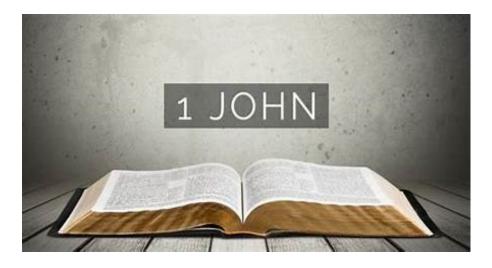
We are excited to head in 2024 not having quite so many things that we have to do for the first time! (We finally know how to get to some places without the GPS!) Warm wishes to each of you in this new year 2024!



Today's Verses: I John 1:5-10

Today's Speaker: Pastor Tim Combs

Great to have you at Grace!



~ Experiencing God, Encouraging People~

Week of Jan 14

Sunday

10:15 am Worship Service

Monday

6:00 pm Pickleball 7:00 pm Young Adults

Wednesday

6:30 pm Awana 6:30 pm Young Church 6:30 pm Bible Study

Friday

7:00 pm Volleyball Elder Retreat

Saturday

10:00 am Volleyball Elder Retreat

Stewardship Report

Weekly Goals
Local Budget: \$4,890
Missions: \$742

Received Jan 7

Local Budget: \$7,893 Missions: \$1,009 Love in a Bag: \$300 Widows/Orphans: \$75 Care: \$135 Head Sets are available for the hearing impaired for use during the Sunday morning services. The sound technician at the rear of the auditorium is happy to assist you.

Is this your first time at Grace? So glad you're here! Please fill out the yellow-green visitor card so we can say hi and get to know you better. Stop by the Welcome Center kiosk for a welcome gift! Hope to see you again!



Stay connected!

Want to know what's up at Grace Community Church?

- Regularly visit: www.hhgcc.org
- Join the "Grace Community Church" Facebook page
- Receive email prayer requests and announcements by joining GCC's Gmail groups via the church website, www.hhgcc.org.

Love in a Bag Thank you for your continued support for Love in a bag. The need has increased to 48 bags a week and still may climb. In the past we have never done more than 33 a week. So far the increased need is being met with your support. Please continue to give and we will let you know if we are not able to reach the goal needed.

Next Week:

Text: I John 2:1-6



Multiplication Teams

Making disciples is a team sport!

Mon 7:00 pm Young Adult Group

Contact: Nate Kline 937-766-1000

Mon 7:00 pm Young Men's Group

Contact: Josiah Patton 937-524-3021

Tue 7:00 pm The Innsdale Group

Contact: David & Pam McMeans 937-235-0931

Wed 6:30 pm AWANA (during school)

(serving kids, 3 years-6th grade) Contact: Randy Adams 937-949-8861

Wed 6:30 pm YoungChurch

(serving teens, 7th-12th grades)
Contact: Nikki Goodpaster
937-602-3610

Thu 11:00 am O.W.L.S.

(Older, Wiser, Loving Saints)
Contact: Jerry Root
937-949-3830

Fri 7:00 pm Re-Purpose Crew

Contact: Barry Wideman 937-823-3075

Events: as we begin to pick up in activity, it is more important than ever that everyone who is planning on an activity that will take place on the church campus must complete an event request form. It is crucial that we coordinate the preparation and cleaning of the space and that we coordinate the usage of various spaces on campus.

Donor Envelopes remaining donor envelopes have been mailed out this week. If you were unable to pick them up please keep an eye out in the mail for them. Thank you all for your giving hearts. If you would like a set of envelopes for giving please let Tiffany know and she will get them for you.

About Us

Purpose

Grace Community Church exists for God—for His praise and purpose and to display His character and compassion.

We are to worship Him, grow to be like Him, and encourage others to believe in and follow Him

(See: Eph. 3:20; John 15:8, 16; Col. 3:17; Matt. 28:18-20)

Pattern

- Cultivating people with a growing love for God and His truth.
- Rejoicing in our worship.
- Strengthening our families.
- Encouraging each other with words, prayer, and actions.
- Actively reaching our world near and far.



College of Elders

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Staff

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Children's Ministry: Terri Campbell
Communications: Tiffany Richter
Facilities Care: Kearsen Wideman