

PRAYmissions

Justianos in Japan

Greetings in the middle of all of the upheaval. How are you doing? We **pray** you are being protected and used by our Lord to bless people. Joan and I are doing fine, being protected, and continuing to have open doors for ministry. Thank you so much for your prayer for us!

I had an outreach Bible study scheduled for this afternoon, but with all of the chaos, I assume it would be cancelled. I called our disciple and the Bible study host, Keeko Sumita to confirm the cancellation. She said, "Oh no! Everyone still wants to come (6-7 people)." And 3 of these are not yet saved! God continues to work in their hearts to want to study the Bible, even in the midst of citywide cancellations of most other events. Praise His name! We'll be doing a study on "Why there is trouble in the world." Please **pray** especially for Kumagai San, and Watanabe San, that God would open their hearts to put their trust in Him.

Just to put your hearts at rest, Joan and I continue to do our due diligence to reduce the risk of either contacting illness or possibly spreading it. I think we've washed our hands, taken our body temperature, sanitized every surface, and kept a social distance more in the past month than in the past several years combined. We continue to pray for you, and especially those hardest hit by the virus. May our Lord show His mercy and glory, especially in these difficult times.

Schenks in Ohio

This morning I read Psalm 145 and was encouraged by the words of the Lord: "I will extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever. Every day will bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness in unsearchable. One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts. I will speak of the glorious honor of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works."

This has been a challenging month for everyone, but in the midst of everything we know the Lord remains in control of every circumstance. We are doing well and adapting our ministry to provide online resources and other options for reaching kids with the Gospel. Pete is home from his sheltered workshop; he has watched a bunch of "Superbook" episodes and other Christian videos, plus we have gotten out every few days. We have had increased opportunities for Bible study and prayer, including prayers for you.

Please let us know how we could specifically **pray** for you, your family, and your church. These unusual times will soon be over, and we **pray** for the Lord to provide increased opportunities for outreach.

See the Welcome Center bulletin board for the full missionary prayer letters.



Today's Message: *Resurrection Living Today*

Today's Text: *Thess. 5:12-22*

Today's Speaker: *Pastor Bob Foote*

Great to have you at Grace!



~ Exalting God, Encouraging People ~

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Week of April 12

Happy Easter

Sunday

Check emails, Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/228200600551840/>), and www.hhgcc.org for online studies and more information.

Need more content—kids or adults? E-mail: pastor@hhgcc.org to be added to rightnowmedia.org as an HHGCC user. You'll be amazed at resources available via your internet connection. No charge to you to use.

Keep praying as God has his hands on all of us. Let us know how we can help you help your neighbors.

Stewardship Report

Weekly Goals

Local Budget: \$6,378
Missions: \$894

Received April 5

Local Budget: \$7,999
Missions: \$877
BURO: \$428
Love in a Bag: \$70
Care: \$5
Benevolence: \$100

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Hot Investment Tip for You: Invest in the Great Commission. To give to our missionary teammates through GCC, mark your offering "Missions" (check memo or donor envelope). Dollars given without designation are used for our local outreach and operating budget.

Online giving now available. Visit www.hhgcc.org and click on the "Donate" tab (top right on your screen). You may use a credit card, debit card or have funds drawn directly via ACH from your checking account. Set up a one-time gift or a recurring gift, designate where you would like your funds to go: general fund, missions, benevolence, etc., and if you want your contribution to go to more than one place just click to add a gift to another fund. For help please reach out at gracechurch61@gmail.com.

Donor Envelopes: To facilitate regular giving, request a set of weekly donation envelopes with an individualized ID number. Contact church office: 937-233-4324 or gracechurch@hhgcc.org.

Annual Day of Prayer is May 7, 2020. We are encouraged to give thanks and to turn to God in prayer and peaceful meditation.

Want to receive GCC's email prayer updates and ask for prayer? Then visit GCC's website, hhgcc.org (see QR code at the right). Use the contact us link at the bottom of the main page under "Our Church." Consider joining the "announcements" group at the same time to have access to GCC's inclement weather cancellation information. You may also checkout our Facebook page.



Church workday has been postponed. Watch here for updates. You can sign up by emailing gracechurch61@gmail.com once we reschedule. Thank you for your willingness to keep our church beautiful.

Next Week:

Text: 1 Thess. 5:23-24

SEE YOU
Next Week!
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RightNow Media describes itself as "the Netflix for Christians" complete with Bible Study materials and Christian entertainment for adults and children. GCCers can join for free! Send an email to pastor@hhgcc.org to submit your address to RightNow Media and receive "the keys" to access the site. Apps are available for many devices.

Amazon's charitable giving program, "Amazon Smile," lets you make your same Amazon selections with one slight change. When you shop through Amazon Smile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Grace Community Church of Huber Heights. How do you get started? Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-0735648> and support us every time you shop.

Online Giving fees: Some have asked about fees for the our online giving. If you want to underwrite the cost of online giving Debit/Credit card is 2.9% plus \$0.30 per transaction and the ACH/Checking is 1.0% plus \$0.25 transaction fee. Thank you for your willingness to give.

Prayers: We extend our sympathies and prayers for the family of John Greschl father to Jerry (Dianne) Greschl and Kay (Pete) Smith. Services were held with immediate family last Friday in Dayton.

Volunteers: From time to time, the church has minor fix-it projects requiring skills in carpentry, electricity, plumbing, equipment repair, and landscaping. If you possess any of these skills and would like to volunteer your time and talent, please call John Miller 937-667-3642. If we don't have volunteers, we will have to hire outside personnel. Thanks!

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.



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