

PRAYmissions

Barlows in Birmingham

C-19: As you read this, we hope you are well and finding grace in God to navigate whatever consequences of C-19 you are facing. You likely live in an area where authorities are relaxing measures designed to limit the spread of the virus. We are anticipating tension as a result of the wide variety of positions on social distancing and what protocols should continue. **Pray** that in all our conversations, we will find ways to keep Jesus and the Gospel at the center. We want to see the deep change which God can bring through this pandemic.

VE Day 2020: Victory Europe Day will go down as a “banner day” for us—not only because of the 75th commemoration of the end of WWII, but because it brought together many neighbors in our cul-de-sac, something toward which we have worked and you have **prayed** for years. For over 6 hours at a socially-distanced outdoor picnic, conversations went deep as several shared heart—felt longings and a desire for a reset of our “rat-race” society. **Pray** that we’ll be able to point them to Jesus as the ultimate hope in the midst of difficult times.



Coaching: In the midst of everything else, work with Encompass coaches has continued and increased. Several leaders have met with the coaches on two occasions to prepare for focused conversations around the effects of the virus and more short-term planning. Tom and colleague Beka are re-allocation coaching partnerships for the twelve months to come. **Pray** these conversations will help our staff look forward and develop even more effective ways to continue making disciples.

Family Front: Megane and her husband, Tom, are scheduled to close on their house in Nottinghamshire next Wednesday. They would appreciate your **prayers** for all the last-minute details, and we would appreciate **prayers** for wisdom to know how to best support their move in the midst of the pandemic.

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

GRACE

COMMUNITY CHURCH

May 24, 2020

Today's Message: *Encouragement 301*

Today's Text: *2 Thess. 3:6-15*

Today's Speaker: *Pastor Bob Foote*

Great to have you at Grace!

And can't wait till we're all back at Grace again!

I & II Thessalonians

~ Experiencing God, Encouraging People ~

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Week of May 24

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 join righnowmedia.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: \$6,090
Missions: \$779

Received May 17

Local Budget: \$7,338
Missions: \$360
Love in a Bag: \$10
BURO: \$10
Care: \$315
Adopt: \$5

GCC's 2020 Graduates

Devon Hawkins is graduating from Wayne High School. He will be finishing his associates at Sinclair that he started while attending High School. He is majoring in corporate accounting.

Lissa McMeans is graduating from Malone University with her BA in Zoo and Wildlife Biology with minors in Creative Writing, Environmental Science and Psychology.

Cody McMeans will be graduating from Wayne High School and will be attending Wright State University in the fall with plans to study Neuroscience.

Seth Harbaugh graduates from Harbaugh Academy and at the moment plans to continue working at Chick-Fil-A of Beavercreek.

Alexia (Harbaugh) Galford RN, BSN Liberty University, has accepted a job offer at Duke Hospital in Raleigh, NC.

Lela (Sims) Stout, RN, Ohio Institute of Allied Health, now working at Grace Brethren Village!

CONGRATULATIONS
on all of your hard work!!!!!!



We wanted to thank everyone that was able to come for the church workday today and worked so hard. There are four smaller beds at the rear of the church by The Commons and the annex that were left untouched. If families would like to take on one or more of these beds it would be greatly appreciated. There is mulch still at the church. The weeds pull very easy because of all the rain so if you bring a shovel and wheel barrow you could weed and mulch one bed. It would take 4 families to finish this. Thanks again!



Class
of
2020



**Details
for any
Open
Houses
will be
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later**



Next Week:

Text: 2 Thes. 3:16-18

SEE YOU
Next Week!
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MISSIONS

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.

News from Tri State Camp: Unfortunately camp has been cancelled for this year due to the pandemic mitigation processes that are impossible to implement with the camp experience of close proximity in cabins and meeting rooms.

Plans are underway for next year already, so please be patient. Thanks for those who invested much already toward this year's camp

Vacation Bible School : We are working on a virtual Vacation Bible School; be on the look out for more information for it and ways you might be able to help! It will be *Journey off the Map Grab and Go VBS 2020*.

Online giving is 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: Ready for a set of weekly donation envelopes with an individualized ID number? Contact church office: 937-233-4324 or gracechurch@hhgcc.org. (not needed for online giving).

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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