

We're glad you've joined us this morning! Feel free to check things out and determine whether we might be a good match for you. We're here to help at your invitation—you set the pace.

When you're ready for the next step, consider checking out an additional Sunday activity like Bible Fellowships or Community Groups, or a mid-week study that interests you. There are many great ways to connect with others in our church family each semester as you grow in your relationship with Jesus. Pick up a *Guide to Grace Church* as you leave for more details!

WEB TIPS

Did you know...

...you can update your contact information at our website? Just click "Member Access" in the top left, then "Update Your Info" to provide us with your new details.

Watch this space for more features that make it easy to connect with us!



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Infant Dedication



During the second worship service today, seven young families are committing themselves to raising their children in light of God's love and grace. Please join us in praying with them.

SUMMER NIGHTS @GRACE

JUNE 14

Get your summer started with good friends, free food, and some lighthearted entertainment. Mark your calendars and sign up online today to reserve your spot!



From noon to 1:30 PM next Sunday, George and Rachel Castro will be at the G.Y.M. for a casual reception celebrating his 12 years of ministry to our students. We invite you to come and join us!


Summer 2017

Information available today

The Summer 2017 Guide to Grace Church is available today. Inside you'll find everything we're doing in the next few months. We hope it helps you consider how you'll be involved!

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May 14, 2017

LIFE ABUNDANT

A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

News and Family Matters

College Work Week

A team of our college students will join others from around the country this week as they work together to prepare Young Life's Frontier Ranch camp in Colorado for the upcoming summer of ministry to students. Please pray for these as they travel and work:

Curtis Lindsey	Jacob Spicer	Parker Short	Ben Jeffers	Zach Davis
Jesse Singleton	Brandol Loyd	Amber Martin	Kalynn Jackson	Macie Miller
Ruby Contreras	Cortney Wood	Brianna Eipper		

Family Matters

Please pray for Jan and George Banta and their family as they grieve the loss of her mother.

Please pray for Jan and Steve Gulbranson as they grieve the loss of her mother.

Monthly Financial Report

General Fund	Last Year (2015–16)	This Year (2016–17)
Amount Received to Date (Sep 1–Mar 31)	938,586	1,335,926
Annual Budget (Sep 1–Aug 31)	1,646,521	1,711,711

We believe giving is a form of individual worship — it should be done freely and without compulsion. You may give discreetly at offering boxes located throughout the building or online at any time.

This Week

Churchwide

Worship Services

Sunday, 9:00–10:15 AM or 10:30–11:45 AM

Bible Fellowships

Sunday, 9:00–10:15 AM or 10:30–11:45 AM

Men


Samson Society

Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

Senior Adults

Game Night

Monday, 6:30–9:00 PM in the Loft

 : Childcare available by reservation

College & Career

College Work Week

Sunday —Saturday, Frontier Ranch in Colorado

High School

Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

Middle School

Youth

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.



This Morning

Lesson 23: Man Born Blind—*John 9:1–41*

Reggie Coe, Marriage & Senior Adults Pastor

- I. Christ healed a man who had been born blind in order to reinforce His claim to be the “light of the world”—*John 9:1–12*.
- A. The disciples’ question reflected a common perspective that God used illness to punish someone for sins committed—*John 9:1–2*.
 - B. Christ corrected their poor theology and redirected them to focus on Him as the “light of the world”—*John 9:3–5*.
 - C. Christ’s method for healing this man born blind accomplished a couple of objectives—*John 9:6–7*.
 - The method of anointing the man’s eyes with clay and giving him the directive to go to the pool of Siloam and wash gave the man an opportunity to express his desire to see.
 - Christ used a different method in healing this man in order to keep His disciples (and us) from getting locked into the methodology rather than into the One who performed the miracle.
 - D. The healed man answered his skeptical neighbors’ questions about his healing by telling them what had happened—*John 9:8–12*.
- II. The Pharisees interrogated the healed man to the extent that they even questioned his parents—*John 9:13–23*.
- A. The Pharisees’ objection to this healing centered on it violating their understanding of what could be done on the Sabbath—*John 9:13–17*.
 - B. The Pharisees questioned his parents because they did not believe he had been born blind—*John 9:18–23*.
- III. The healed man confounded the Pharisees with his answers to their hostile questioning of him—*John 9:24–34*.
- A. According to the Pharisees’ perspective Christ was a sinner because He violated the Sabbath while the man knew that he had been blind but now he could see—*John 9:24–26*.
 - B. The man completely refuted the Pharisees by using their own arguments against them—*John 9:27–33*.
 - C. The rebuked Pharisees excommunicated the healed man from the synagogue—*John 9:34*.
- IV. Christ found the excommunicated man and brought him to faith in Himself as the Messiah, the One Who is the “light of the world” and gives sight to the blind—*John 9:35–39*.
- V. The Pharisees remained in spiritual darkness because they would not admit their own sin—*John 9:40–41*.

Notes

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