



Our Senior High Jamaica team is raising money for their trip by doing odd jobs through the winter months. Schedule a job by picking up a request form in the Main Hall.



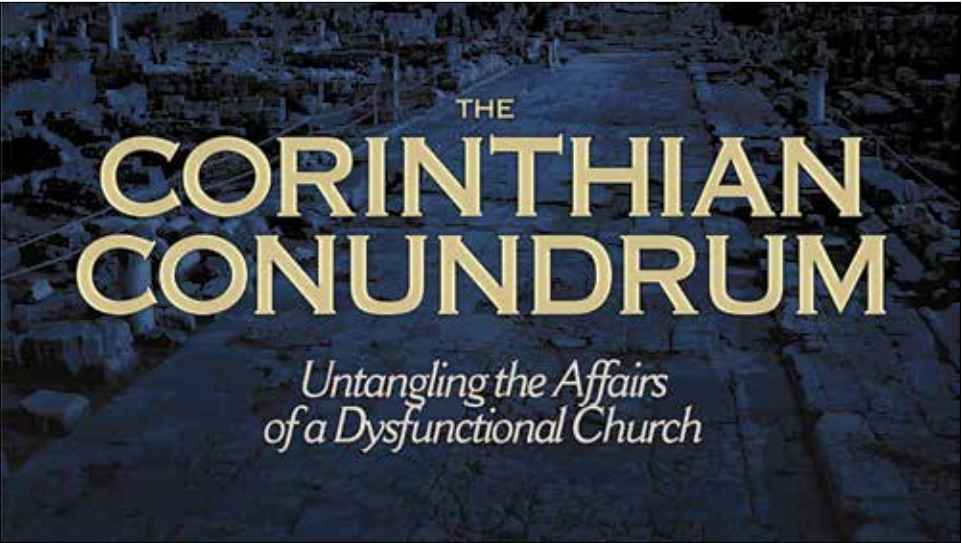
This mid-week musical singalong features traditional Christmas favorites performed by members of our church family. Join us for an extra dose of holiday cheer!



If you are struggling with the loss of a loved one and the facing the holiday season is difficult, know you are not alone. Come talk through the pain with others at GriefShare next month.



Please take note of the list of upcoming service dates and times on the front page of this week's bulletin. We hope you'll join us whenever your schedule allows during this busy season.



This morning we finish our study of the book of 1 Corinthians, which began in January and resumed in September after a summer break. If you'd like to catch up on previous lessons, listen online any time at gracechurch.com/podcast. We're glad you're here!

Updates and Family Matters

Winter Guide Available Today

The Winter 2015 Supplement to the Guide to Grace Church is now available near each exit. This one-page calendar will keep you and your family informed of Christmas activities happening in the month of December. Spring 2016 info will be available in a few weeks!

Christmas Worship Schedule

Our four-part Christmas series will begin on Sunday, December 13 and continue through Sunday, December 27. We will gather together for worship at the following times:

Sunday, December 13	9:00 and 10:30 AM
Sunday, December 20	9:00 and 10:30 AM
Thursday, December 24	5:00 PM only
Sunday, December 27	10:30 AM only
Sunday, January 3	10:30 AM only

Please note: there will be no Bible Fellowships on December 20, December 27, or January 3.

Stack the Chairs

Please help us prepare the Gymnasium for other activities by stacking the chairs (seven high) after the second service. Thanks!



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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
Small Groups
Community Groups Sunday, 5:30–7:30 PM at Various Locations
Men
Samson Society Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

Women
Christmas Dinner Monday, 6:00–8:30 PM in the Gymnatorium
Senior High
Christmas Party Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at 2609 Rathgeber
Junior High
Christmas Party Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM at 2025 Avondale

This Morning

Lesson 33: The Value of Relationships—*1 Corinthians 16:5–24*
Reggie Coe, Family Pastor

- I.

A.

Paul valued long-term relationships—*1 Corinthians 16:5*.

B.

Long-term relationships take time—*1 Corinthians 16:6–7*.
- II.

A.

In Ephesus there was a great opportunity for ministry—*1 Corinthians 16:8–9a*.

B.

There was also great opposition in Ephesus—*1 Corinthians 16:9b*.
- III.

A.

He wanted them well received—*1 Corinthians 16:10*.

B.

He wanted them sent along their way well—*1 Corinthians 16:11*.
- IV.

A.

Paul’s bond with Apollos: While there was division between the factions of Paul and Apollos in Corinth, no such division existed between them personally—*1 Corinthians 16:12*.

B.

Paul’s exhortation to the Corinthians: He strongly encouraged the church in Corinth to stand firm in the faith and to minister out of love for the Lord and others—*1 Corinthians 16:13–14, see 1 Corinthians 13:1–8, 13*.
- V.

A.

Paul’s affirmation of Stephanas’ ministry: He insisted on the Corinthians subjecting themselves to the leaders of this church—*1 Corinthians 16:15–16*.

B.

Paul’s appreciation of the Corinthians’ ministry: He expressed his thanks for the Corinthian church sending their support and care through Stephanas—*1 Corinthians 16:17–18*.
- VI.

A.

Paul’s greeting of grace: He sent greetings from those with him from himself and encouraged the Corinthians to be genuinely affectionate with one another—*1 Corinthians 16:19–24*.

B.

Advent, Week Two

In week two of this advent season, we can rest in the peace that we have in Christ and the atonement He provides us. We can both reflect on the peace Christ has brought into our lives, as well as be confident in the peace he can bring to our present and future.

Monday: Philippians 4:6–7

In what areas in your life can you be praying for peace?

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 13:11

What relationships in your life might be in need of peace?

Wednesday: Hebrews 11:14–15

How can living in peaceful community bring someone closer to the Lord?

Thursday: Romans 8:5–8

In what ways can you submit your mind to God’s law, and how does that bring peace to your life?

Friday: John 14:25–27

How have you observed the Holy Spirit bring peace to your heart?

Saturday: 1 Peter 5:6–7

What anxiety or burden are you carrying today? How does this passage offer you peace?

