Grace Community Church

Glorify ● Reach ● Connect ● Equip ● Serve

Praise the Lord!

- For the addition of every new Christian and new member in 2016
- For the tremendous Effect Youth Event held in November
- For the successful and safe mission trip to Germany
- For the new property that gives us a home and 10 acres on the NE corner of 30 Mile & Forest!

Prayer Requests

- Guidance and open doors for future of ministry and property
- To reach new families in and around Richmond
- Financial provision from the Lord to meet our budget and provide for future mission and ministry

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

Grace That is Greater

God has done amazing things in and through our church for nearly 55 years! We have seen lots of new developments in our ministry as we look at where God is leading us. As we prepare for our 55th anniversary we can expect God's faithfulness to be experienced by us as a faith family.

We saw God open up the adjoining property in Lenox, and we will now be prayerfully anticipating what the next steps in our ministry should be to move Forward by Faith.

In addition to that, we are very excited to begin a new chapter as Grace Community Church. It is our fervent prayer that we be known as a church and people full of grace and the love of Christ.



Together, let us all purpose in this New Year that by God's grace we will see Christ **glorified** through our lives as a church family; let us endeavor to see more families **reached** with the gospel; let us see them **connected** with one another so they will be equipped to **grow** in their faith and join us in **serving** Him.

Event Calendar

January

- **1-1-16 -** Regular services
- **1-4-16 -** Ladies Bible Study resumes
- **1-8-16** - Diaconate mtg 1 pm Effect Bible Study 5-8 pm @ Caputo's home
- **1-11-16** - Awana Theme Night "Mustache Night"
- **1-13-16** - MOB Mornings 9:30-11:30 am
- **1-15-16** - Home Bible Fellowships
- **1-21-16** - Men's Prayer Bkfst 8 am
- **1-27-16 -** MOB Mornings 9:30-11:30 am
- **1-29-16** - Lord's Table and State of the Church annual mtg 5 pm

February

- **2-5-16** - Effect Bible Study/Super Bowl 5-9:30 pm @ Miller's home
- **2-8-16** - Awana Theme Night "Crazy Sock Night"
- **2-10-16** - MOB Mornings 9:30-11:30 am
- **2-12-16 -** Diaconate mtg 1 pm
- **2-17-16 -** Freeze Out (High School) 17th-19th
- **2-18-16** - Men's Prayer Bkfst 8 am
- **2-19-16** - Home Bible Fellowships
- **2-24-16 -** MOB Mornings 9:30-11:30 am
- **2-25-16** - Awana Grand Prix 9:30 Bkfst 10:30 Race

March

- **3-5-16** - Effect Bible Study 5-8 pm @ Wise's home
- **3-8-16** - Awana Theme Night "Backwards Night"
- **3-10-16** - MOB Mornings 9:30-11:30 am
- **3-12-16** - Diaconate mtg 1 pm
- **3-18-16** - Men's Prayer Bkfst 8 am
- **3-19-16** - Home Bible Fellowships
- **3-24-16 -** MOB Mornings 9:30-11:30 am

Kids Ministries

Wednesday Nights

6:00 —7:45 p.m.

Children two years before Kindergarten — 5th Grade

@ The Church

Theme Nights

- January 11- "Mustache Night"
- February 8 - "Crazy Sock Night"
- March 8- "Backwards Night"

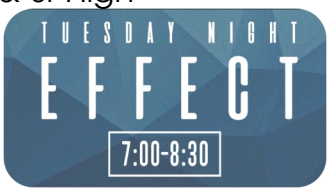
AWANA GRAND PRIX

- February 25th
- 9:30– 10:15~ Breakfast
- 10:30 Race Starts
- Car Design Workshops TBA

Effect Student Ministries

Upcoming Youth Events

- **Summer Camp 2017**— Deadline for pre-registration savings - December 31
- **Laser Tag**—January 14 - Jr & Sr High
- **Jr. High Game Night**—February 11 - 7-9 p.m.
- **Freeze Out**—Friday-Sunday, February 17-19 - Sr. High - Reg online @ *lakeanncamp.com*
- **Basket of Blessings**—Random Acts of Kindness—March 18 - Jr & Sr High



College & Career Ministries

Upcoming Events

- Bible Study— 7– 9 p.m. every Monday evening @ Johnson's home
- The Break—College Retreat @ Lake Ann Camp ~ Jan. 6-8 2017, *lakeanncamp.com* for more info.

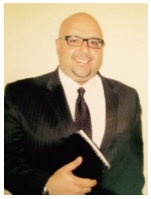
Welcome New Members

We welcome to our church family the following new members: *Joanne Vandenabeele, Emma Wise.* We love and praise the Lord for you!



Missions Update

We are blessed to be partnered together in the gospel with wonderful missionaries. Take time to pray for each of them.



Irfan Abdullatif
Iraq



Richard & Julia Rudolph
Germany



Ken & Jinner Rudolph
Germany



Isaac Shaw Family
India



Nicu & Marta Sotir
Romania



Harrison & Michelle
Banda ~ Zambia



Mike & Kris Furtaw
ABWE

Ladies' Ministries

- **Ladies' Bible Study ~** Join us any time!
  Wednesday morning resuming **1/4/17**
  9:30-11:30 am. at the church
  See Jan Helzer with any questions .

- **Mothers of Blessings~ MOB Mornings**
  9:30—11:30 a.m., 2nd & 4th Fridays @ CBC.
  Our group is for anyone who is a mother. All moms are invited.
  Food, discussion, crafts and more!
  Each meeting will start off with a light meal and free childcare is provided! ($20 per semester to cover the cost of crafts and supplies.)

Men's Ministries

- Watch the bulletin and join us for monthly men's prayer breakfasts on the third Saturday at 8am and fellowships
- Save the date and get registered for our yearly camping trip

State of the Church Annual Meeting

- **Attention all Members:** our state of the church annual meeting will be held on Sunday, January 29th, 2017, at **5:00 p.m.**
- This yearly meeting is open for anyone to attend; however, only active and eligible members will be permitted to vote. We endeavor to maintain a Christ-honoring testimony in every aspect of this ministry. Paul instructed the Corinthian church, "Let all things be done decently and in order" (1 Corinthians 14:40).
- Included in this year's agenda will be: observance of Lord's table, sharing what God has done here in 2016; the selection of officers; and looking ahead to future ministry. Please make it a priority to be present for this special meeting.
- Following the meeting we will have a Chili potluck fellowship. Please sign up at the *Information Center* to bring a pot of chili or a side dish .

"...For the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ." ~ Revelation 1:9

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Our Purpose at Grace is to ***Glorify*** God, ***Reach*** people for Jesus Christ, ***Connect*** them with other believers, ***Equip*** them to grow in their faith and ***Serve*** Him.