



## I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES.

JOHN 15:5

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*We exist to ignite  
a passion in every  
person to glorify and  
enjoy God everywhere  
and in everything.*

**HUMAN.**  
why Jesus looks  
just like you



**SUNDAY  
MORNING SERVICE**  
9:00am & 10:30am

"Jesus \*May\* Have Had a  
Crush on a Girl"  
Hebrews 4:15-16

<https://youtube.com/live/geMB0dSGhGc>

Pastor Benji

### Patient and Purposeful Not Slow

It is less famous than the verses that sandwich it but no less profound. Verse 8 points out that God is not bound by time the way that we are. Verse 10 says Christ will return like a thief in the night. Verse 9 declares the God is patient and purposeful, not slow.

*<sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.*

*2 Peter 3:9 ESV*

He is not slow. There are many times in the struggle of life that we cry out to God like Psalm 13, "How long, O Lord?" The Psalm points out that it is an acceptable cry. 2 Peter 3:9 points out that He is not, however, taking too long. No matter how His timeline might differ from ours, it isn't because of slowness, rather...

He is patient. In our finite impatience, we need to remember that He is infinite and wonderfully patient. He is patient with us, that's the wonderful part. He is patient as a part of His being, still a wonderful thing. He is patient even in the midst of turmoil (that's the part we don't like as much). So remember that His patience has an ultimate purpose...

He has a purpose in His timing...He's gospel patient! He has not returned yet because He still issues the gospel call to a world of sinners that need their Savior. There are still more who will enjoy His grace and in the meantime, they benefit from His purposeful patience.

Next time you struggle with His slowness, remember it's actually His patience and grace on full display!

**Communion Sunday**



# Run with us!

Church Running Club  
Saturday, May 31st at 10:00 am

- OPEN TO ALL FITNESS LEVELS AND AGES
- 1 - 2.5 MILE RUN
- MEET AT BEGINNING OF SANTA MARIA VALLEY RAILROAD TRAIL IN WALLER PARK



SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN THE GROUPME  
OR TEXT BECCA WRIGHT AT 805.868.8013 FOR QUESTIONS

## Announcements



**Junior High (current 6th-8th) - June 1  
Noon to 2pm (after Sunday School)**

**Bring Money for Food**

Grace Youth Ministries 605 E McCoy, Santa Maria  
james@gracesantamaria.org

### GRACE WELCOMES OUR GUEST MISSIONARIES!

Join us Sunday morning **June 1st at 9am** in Room 503 (the Commons) to meet and hear from our Global Workers **Jim & Lui Whelchel**.

### NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

**JUNE 15TH @ 9:00AM Room 504**, next to our fellowship lounge  
Our membership classes are geared for those wanting to become Grace Baptist Church members or needing more information about who we are as a church.

### 2025 LOPEZ CANYON SUMMER BIBLE CAMPS

**Jr High & High School Camp** (Ages 12-18) July 23 - 26, 2025

**Elementary Camp** (Ages 7-12) July 30 - August 2, 2025

*\$285 - Includes 4 days/3 nights (Wed morning—Sat afternoon), meals, snacks, camp t-shirt and all activities!*

**Stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a Registration Form w/more info.**

**CAMPOUT - CORREALE RANCH**  
**JUNE 13- 14, 2025**

**OPEN TO ALL MEN AND THEIR BOYS**



Rustic, pack in, pack out, hang out, guy trip. Bring your sport gear, horseshoes, motorcycle, archery gear, camping chair to just sit and talk.

Stop by the table in the Foyer for details and to complete camper form and waiver.  
(drop off form and waiver in any offering box)

**DEADLINE IS JUNE 8TH**

**BAND OF BROTHERS**  
**MEN'S MINISTRY**

## Puzzle and Praise

**Come join us for an afternoon of  
snacks, puzzles, and praise.**

**Saturday, June 21st**  
**1pm - 4pm in Grace Hall**

**Sign up at the Welcome Center or  
at the table diagonal to Grace  
Café. Let us know how many will  
attend and if you would like to  
bring a snack to share.**

*If you have any questions please  
text or call David Schroeder at  
805-717-0213*



*Will you not revive us again, that  
your people may rejoice in you?*  
- Psalm 85:6 -