AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER

KICKBALL + MISSIONS = AWESOME!



THERE'S A PLACE FOR EVERYONE IN THIS EFFORT.

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IN THE LOOP

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Scripture for AUGUST

Have I not commanded you?
Be strong and courageous.
Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

JOSHUA 1:9

Give Online

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FIND A SMALL GROUP

Connect - Learn - Grow See Joey Wood for details joey@gracefellowship.ws

FINANCES & BUDGET

Financial Update

Giving, Expenses, and Budget thru 6/30/25

Budget \$498,996 Giving \$488,294 Variance -\$10,702

Other Income:

Ga Bapt Foundation \$22,286
Miscellaneous \$233
Total +\$22,519

Variance including all income +\$11,817

Grace Fellowship exists to glorify God by bringing people into a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ.

Through the faithful and sacrificial gifts of our members and regular attendees, our **regular giving is at 97% of our budget**. Thank you for partnering with us in fulfilling our mission.

We have added the receiving of offerings as part of our worship. Since restarting this, we have seen a **noticeable increase in in-person giving**.

Members and regular attendees have **given over and above** their regular gifts in order to help us get into a firmer financial stance.

Our Finance Team is **diligent in monitoring our budget**, and the staff is aware of our giving and spending in order to hold down expenses.

Together we are making an eternal difference.

CHILDREN'S

MINISTRY

It's a joy and an honor to serve and teach your children each week. They have hungry minds and it's amazing to watch them learn and grow in the Lord.

We need you! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in the children's ministry, please contact Cassidy Callaway at children@gracefellowship.ws to get plugged in or to ask any questions.



Our August unit for Kids Cove is 'Hey Otis!' Where is that silly cat? On the count of 3, let's shout, "Hey Otis!" During this unit, kids will meet Otis the cat — a playful puppet who loves to copy whatever they do! As kids jump, wiggle, and act out Bible stories, Otis will follow right along, making every moment extra fun. Through interactive storytelling and silly surprises, we will explore the earliest stories from the Book of Genesis and discover just how amazing God's world really is!





This month we will start with an overview of the epistles and learn why they were important for the discipleship of the early church. Then we'll follow Paul on his second journey and see how God used him in prison. Lastly, we'll see Paul preach in Athens and how he laid a foundation for the Greeks to learn about the Creator God so they could understand that Jesus is the Christ. If you have a child in 1st -4th grade who is not yet plugged into Kids@Grace, please feel free to come with them to class at the dismissal announcement! You can also contact Cassidy Callaway at children@gracefellowship.ws to get them set up and ask any questions. Reminder: Kids@Grace offers a Sunday school class as well, from 9-10am. If you would like your child to be in this class, stop by the kid's check-in desk to be directed there. We hope you had a great time at our True North VBS!

MISSIONS

& MINISTRY



SATURDAY, SEPT 6
GREENE COUNTY
REC FIELDS
9AM START TIME

You can help us support missions! How?

Enter a team.

Become a sponsor.

Invite others.

Be a part of a support team.

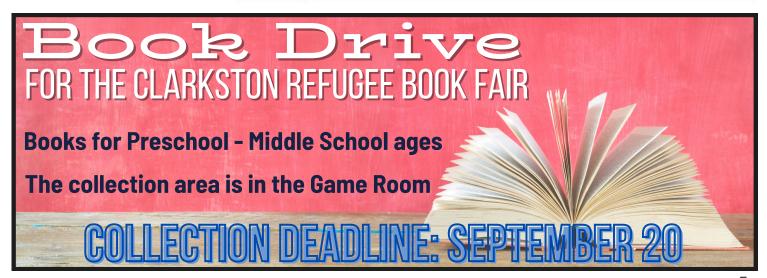
Attend and cheer!

PRAY!

\$250	TEAM SPONSOR TEAM ENTRY FEE, WEBSITE LINKS AND AD IN THE PROGRAM	
\$500	LEAD-OFF WEBSITE LINKS, AND PROGRAM AD	
\$1000	WEBSITE LINKS, AND PROGRAM AD	
\$2500	DIAMOND FIELD SPONSOR-BANNER AT THE FIELD, WEBSITE LINKS, AND PROGRAM AD	
\$5000	GRAND SLAM TOURNAMENT SPONSOR, MAIN BANNER, WEBSITE LINKS, AND PROGRAM AD	

OTHER WAYS TO SPONSOR:





ELDER UPDATE

Elder Communication for the August 2025 Newsletter

The Elder Council met for their monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 22. Attending the meeting were Steven Brondyke, Randy Scott, Tom Lynn, Nolan Callaway, A.J. Hunt, Stuart Harris, and Jimmy Long.

The meeting was started with prayer and a devotion from Stuart Harris. Following the devotion, the Elders continued their practice of reciting the church's mission statement as a way to keep the council focused on the overall direction of the church.

The minutes from the June 2025 Elder Council were considered and approved as submitted. The report from the Finance Team was also considered. After a time of discussion, the Elders approved the report. It is worth noting that giving in both May and June were stronger than expected, and July appears to be a strong giving month, as well.

The Elders spent time considering the needs of church families and praying for those needs.

Items on July's agenda included:

- An update from the subgroup appointed by the Elders to consider the church's financials A report will be given in the Quarterly Business Meeting.
- Announcement that the Children & Youth Safety Policy revisions will be voted on in the August council meeting - These revisions were recommended by the Children & Youth Safety Team.
- Currently recruiting members to be Section Captains in the Worship service The purpose of Section Captains is to ensure all guests are greeted and missing members are noticed and contacted in a timely fashion.
- Approval of an additional security camera in the Gathering Space This addition should provide full coverage for that area.
- Progress update on beginning a new Small Group in the Del Webb Community Joey Wood reported that a preliminary meeting will be held in August with the group starting in September.
- Report of the bus air-conditioner being repaired
- Approval of providing space for a home school co-op to meet during the school year

Nolan Callaway closed the meeting in prayer.

The Elder Council is honored to serve the Lord by serving this church. Thank you for placing your trust in us. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 19.

2025 SPARK CONFERENCE

The Total Church Equipping Conference Sunday, Sept 28 @ Lakeside Church

Keynote Speaker - Jeff lorg



Dr. Jeff lorg is President of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, where he oversees the coordination of SBC ministries and the stewardship of over \$190 million in Cooperative Program funds. He previously served as President of Gateway Seminary for two decades and led the Northwest Baptist Convention. A former pastor and church planter, Dr. lorg brings decades of leadership experience in ministry and theological education.

Who is SPARK for?

Lay Leaders, Childrens' Leaders, Womens' Ministry Leaders, Mens' Ministry Leaders, Missions Coordinators, Student Pastors, Worship Leaders, Sunday School Leaders, Small Group Leaders, Pastors... anyone involved in ministry and equipping.

Everyone can benefit!

It doesn't matter at what stage you are in ministry, there is something for everyone at SPARK. This conference is designed with YOU in mind, no matter your experience or skill level!

Register @ https://brushfire.com/gabaptist/spark2025-greensboro/603356

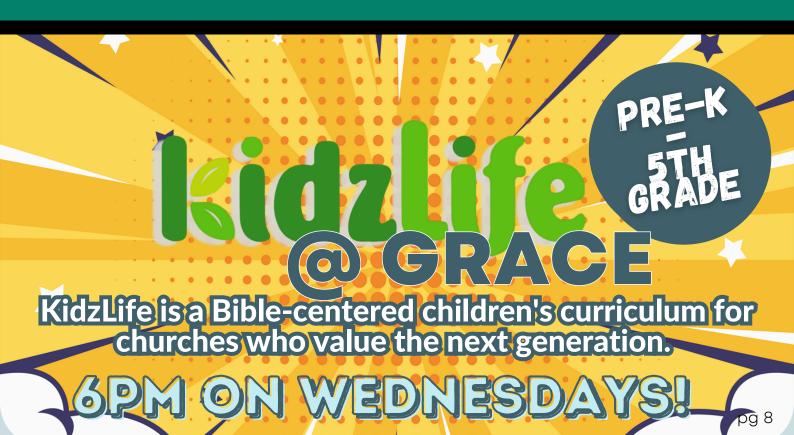
STUDENT

MINISTRIES



FAMILY NIGHT MEAL

Join us at 6:00 pm every Wednesday
Cost is \$5/person excluding children & youth



SMALL GROUPS



NEW GROUP LAUNCH

Looking for ways to reach your neighbors?

If you live in the Del Webb area, come and join us this Sunday, August 3, after service for lunch and a meeting to discuss launching a new group in Dell Webb! Contact pastor Joey if you are able to join!

joey@gracefellowship.ws or call at 706-453-0020

FAMILY NIIGHT MEAL

6:00 PM WEDNESDAYS
18 & UNDER EAT FREE!



Making discipleS the way Jesus did transcends culture. In other words, you make a disciple in our American culture the same way Jesus made disciples in Jewish culture. The principles remain the same in every culture.

The Jesus method of disciple-making is transcendent because the mission is to make disciples of "all nations."

What Jesus did works everywhere and with everyone.

Only the mind of God could create a plan and process that works in every place and across all times. From Greensboro to Albania, you make a disciple the same way.

The problem isn't whether disciple-making works—it's whether we're willing to do it.

It just so happens that we are looking to recruit participants in our new IMPACT Groups over the Summer and Fall. If you would like to lead your own, jump into a new IMPACT, or just curious, contact Pastor Joey at joey@gracefellowship.ws