

# GRACE TODAY

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PASTOR-TEACHER

Clayton Erb / Minister of Music

**Welcome** to the Lord's day  
worship service at Grace Church.

We are truly blessed to be here  
this morning as we open God's  
Word together, sing His praises,  
and enjoy a time of fellowship  
in His presence.

Be sure to take advantage of  
the many fellowship and ministry  
opportunities available to  
our church family today and  
throughout the week.



## 8:30 & 10:30\* am

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives* • Hatton/Sturz • Stephen Sturz, Organist

*Hymn 96 When Morning Gilds the Skies* • Congregation

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* • Peace/Maddux-Rice  
String Orchestra, Woodwinds, Piano

*Hallelujah, Amen!* • Handel • Worship Choir

*Hymn 11 All Creatures of Our God and King* • Congregation

*Healer of My Heart* • Robinson-Johnson/Rice • Kory Welch

### JOHN MACARTHUR PREACHING

*Doxology Hymn* • Congregation

*Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners* • Prichard/Willan • Organ Postlude

## 6:00 pm

*Be Unto Your Name* • Sadler • Instrumental Prelude

*Songs of Praise* • Congregation

### Short-Term Ministries Dedication

*Hymn 353 O Church, Arise* • Offertory

MESSAGE: **COMPELLED BY CHRIST'S LOVE**  
Mike Riccardi • 2 Corinthians 5:14–15

### Postlude

## Instrumental Praise

### O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give Thee back the life I owe,  
That in Thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.

*Words by George Matheson (1882); music by Albert L. Peace (1884)*

## Doxology Hymn

### Hymn 47 Tell Out, My Soul

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
Tender to me the promise of His Word;  
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of His Word!  
Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
To children's children and forevermore!

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To maintain a worshipful atmosphere in the services, please do not applaud after musical numbers.

\* Interpreting for the deaf is provided during the 10:30 a.m. service. Arabic and Korean translation for the 10:30 a.m. service is available at [gracechurch.org/live](http://gracechurch.org/live). A limited number of headsets are available at the front desk for simultaneous translation.

## Campus Ministries

**THE WELCOME CENTER** hosts a reception for visitors following each Sunday-morning service. Enjoy refreshments and find helpful people with answers to any questions you have about our church. You'll also receive one of Pastor MacArthur's books as a thank you for being with us today.

**THE MEMBER CENTER** has information about membership and baptism. It is located on the north side of the Heritage Building, across from the Welcome Center.

Today's Membership Class  
101 • 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. • T375

**THE PRAYER ROOM** is staffed with counselors, ready to offer pastoral care. It is open after every service, and is adjacent to the Worship Center.

## Generations of Grace Children's Sunday School

The following lesson was taught **today** in Sunday School (Preschool through Juniors)



MESSAGE **God Punishes Solomon**

PASSAGE **1 Kings 11**

PRINCIPLE **We should love God wholeheartedly.**

HYMN OF THE MONTH **"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"**

ASK YOUR CHILD **Why did God punish Solomon?**

APPLY **By examining his heart to see whether he truly loves God.**

THIS WEEK **As a family, read selected portions of 1 Kings 11.**

NEXT WEEK **1 Kings 12:1–33; 14:1–18**

*Adapted from the Generations of Grace Family Devotional, available at the bookstore.*

## On GraceWalk

- **Foster Care Awareness Month**
- **Fundamentals of the Faith**
- **Local Outreach**

## On the Patio

- **Faith Promise**
- **Spanish Ministry**  
(by the Chapel)
- **Vacation Bible School**

## Bookstore

The Bookstore is open after each service and during the week. It is located on the south side of the Worship Center.

### GRACE BOOKS HIGHLIGHT

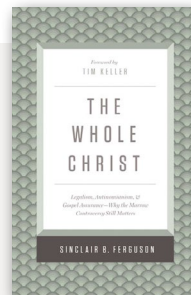
#### THE WHOLE CHRIST

by Sinclair Ferguson

"This outstanding book untangles many a knot about God's law and grace and powerfully reminds us that legalism and antinomianism are not opposites, but evil allies in Satan's bitter war to dishonor the great name of Jesus Christ." —Joel Beeke

"This is one of the most important and definitive books I have read in over four decades." —Derek Thomas

**Available today for 50% off retail!**



## Grace to You

**RADIO** [gtv.org/radio](http://gtv.org/radio)

### The Battle for the Beginning

- KKL 99.5 FM LOS ANGELES M–F 6:30 am & 7:30 pm
- KDAR 98.3 FM OXNARD-VENTURA M–F 2:00 & 10:00 am; Sun 2:00 am

**TELEVISION** [gtv.org/television](http://gtv.org/television)

### "The Theology of Creation"

- NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

**ONLINE** [gtv.org](http://gtv.org)

- Sunday sermons
- Audio archive: John MacArthur's pulpit ministry
- Resource library: books, study guides, videos, Q&As

All audio is available for free listening or downloading.

# PRESENTING THE GOSPEL TO THE NATIONS

Most of us have some vague idea that life as a missionary isn't particularly easy. We've all heard interesting stories about strange food, extreme weather, and even driving on the "wrong" side of the road. But what we don't always hear about are the life-changing challenges of being a missionary. It's really difficult to learn a new language, say goodbye to family and friends, and leave everything that's familiar behind—sometimes to live under the shadow of life-threatening persecution. For the sake of the gospel, our missionaries choose to sacrifice the comforts, and sometimes the safety, that most of us take for granted.

While this might make our missionaries seem like "spiritual superheroes," it doesn't mean they don't need our help. Every year, many of these faithful servants ask for help from our church for their summer outreach ministries. That's where Short-Term Ministries (STM) teams come in. These teams help and encourage our missionaries in very practical ways. Among other things, this year's STM teams will help with VBS in Japan, neighborhood outreach in England, a family conference in New Zealand, and a pastors' conference to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, all with the goal of proclaiming the gospel.

## SHORT-TERM





# MINISTRIES

STM trips are designed to bring God glory and to help our missionaries in any way that we can. These trips are also a great way to show our love and support for our missionaries by offering them encouragement for their faithful service to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The fellowship our missionaries enjoy with visiting STM teams shows them that Grace Church fully supports them in their endeavor to spread the gospel of Christ to the world.

This summer, nine teams will travel to nine countries. More than 100 plane tickets will be purchased, more than 15,000 prayer letters will be distributed, and more than \$300,000 will need to be raised—all to help our missionaries reach their summer ministry goals. Although most of you will not physically travel this summer on an STM trip, your prayerful partnership and financial support make this vital ministry possible. In a very real way, when you support our teams you are supporting our missionaries.

Thank you for helping to make it possible to help our missionaries. You'll be blessed by the long-term impact of your commitment to Short-Term Ministries. ■

*For more information about supporting this year's STM teams, please visit [gracechurch.org/stm](http://gracechurch.org/stm) or email [stm@gracechurch.org](mailto:stm@gracechurch.org).*

Join us this evening as we meet this year's teams and seek the Lord's blessing for STM 2017 during tonight's worship service.

## 2017 TEAMS

Germany

New Zealand

Ireland

Ukraine

England

Japan

Malawi



## Foster Care Awareness Month

May is Foster Care Awareness Month. To learn more about foster care and foster adoption, stop by the tables on GraceWalk this morning or visit [gracechurch.org/handsforhope](http://gracechurch.org/handsforhope).

## Short-Term Ministries Highlight

Please pray for our teams as they prepare for, serve, and return from the field.

### Team Germany

**May 12–22**

#### Team Members:

Matthew Wetmore (team leader), Lynn Chan, Caleb Chandler, Joshua Chandler, Mark Cunningham, Gabriel Guzman, Bill Hooper, Elizabeth Johnson

#### Missionary Hosts:

Christian & Sheryl Andresen

#### Objective:

Serving at a Reformation conference

*Let the peoples praise You, O God;  
Let all the peoples praise You.*

—Psalm 67:5

## Grace Around the World

### The Luehrmann Family

Michael & Emily, Anna, Elijah, Rosie, Liam, Joshua

Serving in **England** since **2004**



#### Prayer / Praise

- Pray that children and families who attend our children's holiday Bible club at the end of May would start coming to church and be saved.
- Pray that the children who attend the weekend away in June—many from non-church families—would understand the gospel and trust in the Lord Jesus.

## Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$36,835**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

## Local Outreach Spotlight

### Downtown Jail Ministry

Every week this ministry visits the men incarcerated at Men's Central Jail in Downtown Los Angeles. Men's Central is a high-security jail with inmates who are there on a long-term basis. There are wonderful opportunities to preach the gospel to those who have experienced very tangible consequences of their sin. For more information about serving in this ministry, call 818-909-5721.

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## Regen 2017

**High School Summer Camp • June 28–July 4**

Register at [gracechurch.org/oneignty](http://gracechurch.org/oneignty).

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## Camp Grace Volunteers Needed

**June 12–15 • Lake Arrowhead**

**July 17–22 • Santa Cruz**

Our annual summer camps are wonderful opportunities to serve and make a spiritual impact on the disabled. For more information about volunteering, call Special Ministries at 818-909-5519.

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## Job Opportunities

**Web Developer/Programmer.** The Grace Church Web team has an opening for a Web developer/programmer. Must be proficient in HTML/CSS, object-oriented programming (C#, Java, VB, or Ruby), server-side scripting (ASP, PHP), and relational databases (SQL). A degree in Computer or Information Science or equivalent experience preferred. Experience with .NET a plus. Applicants for employment must be, if employed, biblically qualified as a deacon or deaconess and a member of Grace Church. For more information or to request an application, contact the office of Human Resources at [hr@gracechurch.org](mailto:hr@gracechurch.org) or 818-909-5672.

**Web Programmer.** Grace to You is looking for a full-stack developer with experience on the Microsoft .Net platform. Must have experience with C#, MVC, MSSQL, JavaScript, HTML5, and related technologies. Familiarity with .Net Core is a plus. This individual must give close attention to details, communicate effectively, and work well both independently and within a small team. For an application, please contact Gabriel Powell at 661-295-5777, or email [gpowell@gty.org](mailto:gpowell@gty.org).

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## Titus 2 Tuesday

This month's topic: "Preparing for Grief"

**May 9 • 7:00 p.m.**

Studies meet in Canyon Country, Encino, Glendale, Northridge, Shadow Hills, Simi Valley, and Valencia. Women of all ages are invited for a time of discussion and fellowship. For specific meeting locations and RSVP information, visit [gracechurch.org/women](http://gracechurch.org/women).

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## Vacation Bible School **June 19–23**

Register at [gracechurch.org/vbs](http://gracechurch.org/vbs).

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## Joint Heirs Ladies TEA **Teaching, Edification, Application**

**Monday, May 8 • 7:00 p.m. • T260s**

Q&A with Joint Heirs pastors' and elders' wives. All women are welcome.

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## Volunteer Ministry Opportunity

Membership Ministries is in need of volunteers on Monday or Tuesday mornings to help record attendance and process prayer requests from the Sunday morning registration cards. Training will be provided. For more information, contact the Membership Office at 818-909-5644 or [membership@gracechurch.org](mailto:membership@gracechurch.org).

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## PSP Homeschool Group **Used Curriculum Sale**

**Saturday, June 17 • 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • Family Center**

Seller registration is now open. For information, call Marina at 818-956-9382.

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**8:30 a.m.****Children's Sunday School**

Visit the Welcome Center  
for room locations.  
Pastor: Mike Johnston

**Cornerstone**

(All ages) T371  
Pastors: Nathan Busenitz,  
Mark Tatlock, Harry Walls

**Doulos** (Singles & young families) T361

Pastor: Carl Hargrove

**FaithBuilders** (All ages) T261

Pastor: Bill Shannon

**GraceLife** (All ages)

Family Center  
Pastors: Phil Johnson,  
Mike Riccardi

**Junior High** (Grades 7–8)

T73 (Basement)  
Pastor: Jay Lennington

**Developmentally Disabled**

CC130E  
Pastor: Rick McLean

**Spanish Adult Sunday School** H221-222

Teachers: Josiah Grauman,  
José Soria

**Spanish Worship Service**

Chapel  
Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,  
Michael Mahoney

**10:30 a.m.****Children's Sunday School**

*Special needs class available*  
Visit the Welcome Center  
for room locations.  
Pastor: Mike Johnston

**Crossroads**

(College & young adults)  
Family Center  
Pastor: Austin Duncan

**High School** (Grades 9–12)

T73 (Basement)  
Pastor: Josh Petras

**Joint Heirs** (All ages) T261

Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street

**Mainstream** (All ages) T361

Pastors: Rich Gregory,  
Carlos Chung

**Developmentally Disabled**

CC130E  
Pastor: Rick McLean

**Sojourners** (All ages) T371

Pastor: William Varner

**Spanish Adult Sunday**

**School** H221–222  
Teachers: Rubén Pidal,  
Daniel Corral

**Spanish Worship Service**

Chapel  
Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,  
Michael Mahoney

**12:30 p.m.****Neighborhood Outreach**

T273

**5:00 p.m.****Sunday Night Prayer Group**

T385

**6:00 p.m.****Discovery** (Grades 1–6)

Family Center

**Discovery Kids** (Ages 3–5)

CC134-136

Visit our website at

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**Fridays 7:30 p.m.****The Guild** (Single adults)

T361  
Pastor: Don Carr

**Mondays 9:00 a.m.****Monday Morning Prayer Group**

Welcome Center

**Building Abbreviation Key**

T = Tower

H = Heritage

CC = Children's Center

**MINISTRY DIRECTORY****Administration**

818-909-5500

**Children**

818-909-5631

**Logos Institute**

818-909-5500

**Membership**

818-909-5644

**Men**

818-909-5537

**Outreach**

818-909-5700

**Pastoral Care & Counseling**

818-909-5537

**Prayer**

818-909-5519

**Spanish**

818-909-5722

**Special Ministries**

818-909-5519

**Student**

818-909-5593

**Women**

818-909-5521

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