

GRACE TODAY

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John MacArthur
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.

The image shows the exterior of a church building with a light-colored stone wall. The words "grace community church" are mounted on the wall in a modern, sans-serif font. The word "grace" is on the top line, "community" is on the middle line, and "church" is on the bottom line. The building is surrounded by lush green trees and bushes. The sun is shining from the right, creating a lens flare effect. The overall scene is bright and welcoming.

grace
community
church

8:30 & 10:30* am

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing • Gläser/Sturz • Stephen Sturz, Organist
O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus • Trad./Sturz

Hymn 284 At the Cross • Congregation

Our Great Savior • Prichard/Maddux-Rice • String Orchestra, Woodwinds, Piano

Jesus Paid It All • Grape/Sterling • Worship Choir

Hymn 304 He Was Wounded • Congregation

Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor • Boswell-Papa/Henderson-Galbraith-Rice
 James Phillipps

JOHN MACARTHUR PREACHING

Communion

Crown Him with Many Crowns • Elvey/Sturz • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Instrumental Prelude

Songs of Praise • Congregation

Baptism • Michael Mahoney

Hymn 394 Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken • Offertory

MESSAGE: **Q&A**

John MacArthur

Postlude

* 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. A limited number of headsets are available at the front desk for simultaneous translation.

Instrumental Praise

Our Great Savior

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!
 Jesus! Lover of my soul;
 Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
 He, my Savior, makes me whole.
 Hallelujah! what a Savior
 Hallelujah! what a Friend!
 Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
 He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness!
 Let me hide myself in Him;
 Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
 He, my strength, my vict'ry wins.
 Hallelujah! what a Savior!
 Hallelujah! what a Friend!
 Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
 He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a help in sorrow!
 While the billows o'er me roll;
 Even when my heart is breaking,
 He, my comfort, helps my soul.
 Hallelujah! what a Savior!
 Hallelujah! what a Friend!
 Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
 He is with me to the end.

*Words by J. Wilbur Chapman (1910); music by Roland H. Prichard (1830);
 arranged by Dave Maddux and Mark Rice*

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

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
103 • 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 Judges the Nations at Babel**
PASSAGE **Genesis 11:1–9**
PRINCIPLE God will judge those who do not obey His commands.
FEATURED HYMN "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 89)
ASK YOUR CHILD Why did the people build the tower?
APPLY By turning from pride.
THIS WEEK As a family, read Genesis 11:1–9.
NEXT WEEK Review Sunday

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

On GraceWalk

- **Fundamentals of the Faith**
- **Local Outreach**

On the Patio

- **Hebrew Bibles**
- **Logos Institute**
- **Spanish Ministry**
(by the Chapel)

Bookstore

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

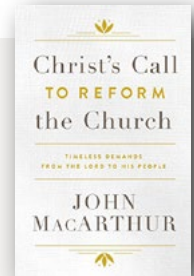
NEW RELEASE

CHRIST'S CALL TO REFORM THE CHURCH

by John MacArthur

This new book from John MacArthur is a clarion call to all believers to repent of spiritual blindness. It shines a light on problems we didn't know we had. May it be embraced by Christians everywhere, spurring us toward the God-honoring, grace-driven work of continued reformation.

Available today for 20% off retail



Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

What Jesus Wants Your Church to Know

- KKLA 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 gty.org/television

"The Lord's Work in His Church"

- NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

ONLINE gty.org

- John MacArthur's sermons: audio, video, and transcripts
- Resource library: blog, devotionals, articles, Q&As, and more
- Mobile apps: "The Study Bible" and "Grace to You Sermons"



A LIGHT IN THE DARKEST PLACE

PART 2

**LOCAL OUTREACH &
SPANISH MINISTRIES**

Very seldom does a ministry come along that captures my heart like Mt. Nebo Prison Ministry. With all the groups in our world that label themselves “Christian,” Mt. Nebo is a breath of fresh air. The difference? A clear, non-compromising commitment to God’s Word. That’s what sets Mt. Nebo Prison Ministry apart. This ministry drives prisoners into the Word of God, and that’s something that is very dear to my heart. I have spent most of my life in a relentless pursuit of knowing what the Bible says. And for over thirty-five years I have dedicated myself to preaching the Bible and nothing else. So Mt. Nebo’s loyalty to the truth is something that has thrilled my heart from the first moment I met Chuck Holmes.”

—John MacArthur

The vision for Mt. Nebo Prison Ministry (MNPM) began to take shape in 1990 in a prison cell at Perryville Prison in Goodyear, Arizona. The next year, Mt. Nebo was adopted into the mission program of Redemption Church (formerly East Valley Bible Church) in Gilbert, Arizona. Through the ministry, books and Bibles were sent to prisoners throughout the country and supplemented with one-on-one correspondence with the inmates who received them.

Today, Mt. Nebo offers any inmate who completes the thirteen-chapter *Fundamentals of the Faith* workbook a new *MacArthur Study Bible*. As a result, thousands of *Study Bibles* are sent to state and federal prisoners each year (MNPM is the largest distributor of the English *MacArthur Study Bible* in the world).

But there was a problem. There were no materials for the large Spanish-speaking inmate population. So Chuck

Holmes, founder and director of MNPM, contacted our church for help. As a result, *Transformados* was created in April 2014 as a joint venture of Grace Church and Mt. Nebo Prison Ministry. *Transformados* seeks to reach the Spanish-speaking inmate population by providing both *Fundamentals of the Faith* and, upon completion of FOF, a *MacArthur Study Bible*, in Spanish.

As our pastor writes in a letter posted on the Mt. Nebo website, “The prisons are a tremendous mission field. My hope is that you will be gripped by the potential that prisons offer for the spread of the gospel and the building up of the saints. . . . Mt. Nebo gives prisoners what they need most—the truth that is found only in God’s Word.”

For more information about Mt. Nebo Prison Ministry, visit mnpn.org; for more information about Transformados, visit transformados.org.

TRANSFORMADOS TO DATE...

- ▶ 25 states
- ▶ 575 inmates participating
- ▶ 394 Spanish *Fundamentals of the Faith* copies distributed
- ▶ 191 Spanish *MacArthur Study Bibles* sent to inmates who have completed FOF

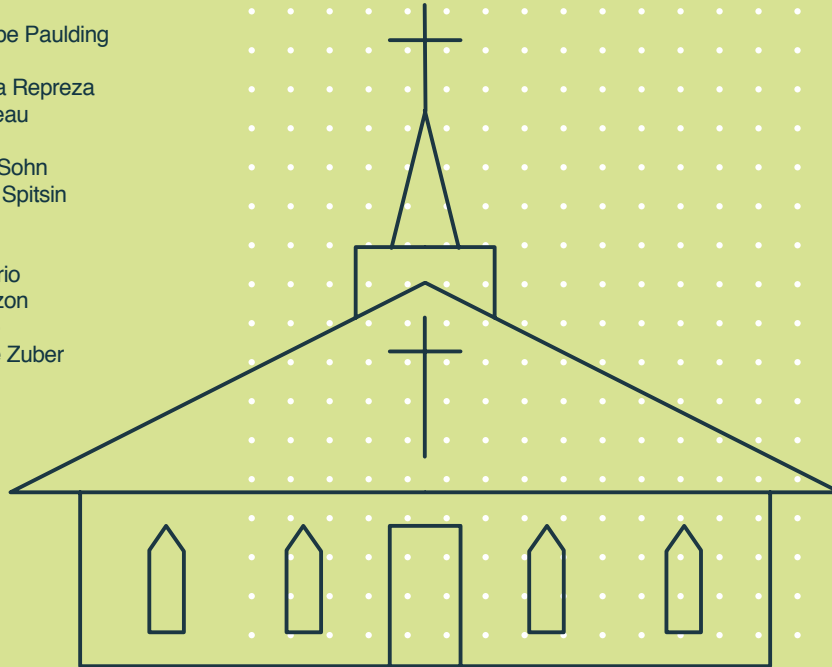
New Members

Grace Church welcomed another group of new members with the Right Hand of Fellowship. Each of these individuals completed the membership class in fulfillment of Grace Church's membership requirements.

The following new members received the Right Hand of Fellowship in SEPTEMBER.

George & Dania Abraham
Caleb Calvi
Pio Castillo
Ha Eun Choi
Rose Choi
Mark Chung
Jesareli Estefania
Alvy Gallo
Bethany Garcia
Veronica Garcia
Sam & Nichole Greer
Jason & Mia Harkness
Ruby Hernandez
Tammy Hong
Matthew Huston
Jason & Rascel Intia
Ellie Kim
Jennifer Kim
Teruhito Kondo
Xinhao Li
Kinzi Lockhart
Summer Malone
Mark & Elizabeth Meyer

Maria Millett
Matthew Nardone
Elena Newton
Timothy & Hope Paulding
Aaron Philip
Jose & Sandra Repreza
Donielle Rouleau
Rob Smith
Cherl & Yang Sohn
Mark & Tanya Spitsin
Adam St. Cyr
Kaitlyn Stire
Rowena Tenorio
Emerson Tuazon
Lindaura Valle
Kevin & Diane Zuber



Faith Promise Fruit

Your Faith Promise giving impacts the gospel ministry efforts of our missionary families around the globe. Grace Church missionaries, Gus and Melissa Pidal, serve in Leon, Spain. Melissa recently shared an update about the women's conference their church had the privilege of hosting: "For the first time, I was able to participate in the conference from behind the scenes, and it was such a blessing. Two of the Berea seminary professors came and taught the ladies hermeneutics (Gus taught on the common mistakes we make in interpreting God's Word), and I taught from Psalm 19 about why we should treasure the Word of God. We were so encouraged to see many seminary students' wives come, and to hear so many ladies tell us how much they appreciated the rich times of teaching and fellowship all centered around Scripture. Most of these women come from churches where they feel lonely and isolated, so this time was a breath of fresh air for them." Praise God for building His church in Spain.

To learn more about Faith Promise or our ministry efforts in Spain, call 818-909-5700.

Short-Term Ministries 2019

Informational Meeting

October 28 • 12:30-1:30 p.m. • Family Center

Every summer, our church sends Short-Term Ministries teams all over the globe to come alongside and serve our missionaries. Come join us in the Family Center on Sunday, October 28, to learn about next summer's teams and how you can participate in this exciting ministry opportunity.



Grace Around the World

The **Brackett** Family

Kris & Nina, Gracie, Gaby, Katy
Serving in **Croatia** since **1998**



Prayer / Praise

- Pray for the new students at Theological Biblical Academy and for the monthly church seminars we'll start this month.
- Pray for our time in the U.S. as we visit supporting churches and family and manage educational responsibilities.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$24,979**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

God's Word in Hebrew

Today • Before and after both morning services • GraceWalk

George and Goldie Shaw, representatives with the Society for Distributing Hebrew Scriptures, will be offering a *limited supply* of free, bilingual Hebrew/English Old and New Testaments, as well as CDs containing 37 Bibles in 17 languages. Please take a Bible to give to your unbelieving Jewish family members, friends, and neighbors.

Adventure Fair

Saturday, October 27 • Noon–4:00 p.m.

Adventure Club kids and their families, friends, and neighbors are invited to come enjoy games, prizes, face painting, bounce houses, food, fellowship, and more!

Please note that parking for the fair will be in the north lot only.

The Master's Academy International

2019 International Symposium

The Church: Global Implications of Ecclesiology

Monday, March 4, 2019 • Calvary Bible Church, Burbank

Cost: \$60 (\$90 after November 15)

This event is open to all. Register today at tmai.org/symposium.

Job Opportunity

Vice President of Administration. The Master's University is seeking a qualified candidate to join the executive administrative team. This full-time position provides direction and leadership to key departments ensuring a high level of professionalism, student care, and operational integrity. The VP of Administration will set goals and assess performance in the areas of Communications, Enrollment, Student Services, Information Technology, Regulatory Compliance, Campus Safety, Plant Operations, Athletics, Food Service, Church Relations, and the University Exchange. Experience in leading and developing teams while sharing a commitment to the purpose and mission of the university and seminary is required. For more information or to request an application, email HumanResources@masters.edu or call 661-362-2843.

Logos Institute Classes Fall Session 2

Theology 202: The Trinity Getting to the Bottom of Three-in-One

November 6–December 18 (Tuesdays) • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Chris Burnett • Cost: \$50

Paul & Acts, Part 1 Paul's Letters and the Early Church

November 6–December 18 (Tuesdays) • 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Instructor: Paul Twiss • Cost: \$50

Old Testament History The Story of Israel in High-Def

November 5–December 17 (Mondays) • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Michael Wurtz • Cost: \$50

No classes during Thanksgiving-week. For more information or to register, visit gracechurch.org/logos.

Alzheimer's–Dementia Ministry

Saturday, October 27 • 9:00 a.m. • T370s

Families touched by dementia are invited to meet monthly for spiritual encouragement, helpful shepherding, and warm fellowship over a light breakfast. Loved ones with dementia are welcome. If you are bringing your loved one, please call Pastor Rick McLean 818-909-5519.

Russian Outreach Bible Study

October 28 • 12:30–2:30 p.m. • H221–222

If you speak or understand Russian, know someone who does, or have a heart to see Russian-speaking people saved, please visit one of our Sunday afternoon meetings. Join us as we pray about how to reach the Russian community in Los Angeles with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

8:30 a.m.

Anchored (All ages) T360s
Pastors: Carl Hargrove,
Bill Shannon

Children's Sunday School
Visit the Welcome Center
for room locations.
Pastor: Ace Davis

Cornerstone (All ages) T370s
Pastors: Nathan Busenitz,
Hohn Cho, Mark Tatlock,
Harry Walls

Developmentally Disabled
CC 130E; Pastor: Rick McLean

GraceLife (All ages)
Family Center
Pastors: Phil Johnson,
Mike Riccardi

Junior High (Grades 7–8)
T70s (Basement)
Pastor: Jay Lennington

**Spanish Adult Sunday
School** H221-222
Teachers: Josiah Grauman,
José Soria, Santiago Armel,
Eduardo Izquierdo

Spanish Worship Service
Chapel • Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,
Michael Mahoney,
Josiah Grauman

Steadfast (All ages) T260s
Pastor: Brian Biedeback

10:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School
Special needs class available
Visit the Welcome Center
for room locations.
Pastor: Ace Davis

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

Developmentally Disabled
CC 130E; Pastor: Rick McLean

High School (Grades 9–12)
T70s (Basement)
Pastor: Josh Petras

Joint Heirs (All ages) T260s
Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street

Mainstream (All ages) T360s
Pastors: Rich Gregory,
Carlos Chung

Sojourners (All ages) T370s
Pastors: William Varner,
Joe Zhakevich

**Spanish Adult Sunday
School** H221–222
Teachers: Rubén Pidal,
José Alcívar, José Martínez,
Josué Pineda

Spanish Worship Service
Chapel • Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,
Michael Mahoney, Josiah Grauman

12:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Outreach
H223–224

5:00 p.m.

Sunday Night Prayer Group
T385

6:00 p.m.

Adventure Club
Family Center (Grades 4–6)
Chapel (Grades 1–3)
T270s (Ages 3–5)

Visit our website at **GRACECHURCH.ORG**

Fridays 7:30 p.m.

The Guild (Single adults)
T360s
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

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and extend His kingdom by
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His truth in the world.*

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