

# 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.



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

*Fugue in A Minor* • Bach • Stephen Sturz, Organist

**Hymn 96** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* • Congregation

**Come, All Christians, Be Committed** • Trad./Rice • Brass Ensemble, Organ

**Jesus Shall Reign** • Hatton/Kirkland • Worship Choir

**Hymn 107** *Fairest Lord Jesus* • Congregation

**Here Is Love** • Lowry/Krogstad • Philip Webb

MESSAGE: **THE VENGEANCE OF THE LORD JESUS**

John MacArthur • 2 Thessalonians 1:6–10

**Communion**

**Old Hundredth** • Trad./Sturz • Organ Postlude

**6:00 pm**

**Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing** • Trad. • Instrumental Prelude

**Songs of Praise**

**Hymn 406** *Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor* • Offertory

MESSAGE: **THE COURAGE TO BE CHRISTIAN**

Nathan Busenitz • Acts 5:17–42

**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](http://gracechurch.org/live). A limited number of headsets are available at the front desk for simultaneous translation.

**Instrumental Praise****Come, All Christians, Be Committed**

Come, all Christians, be committed  
To the service of the Lord.  
Make your lives for Him more fitted,  
Tune your hearts with one accord.

Come into His courts with gladness,  
Each his sacred vows renew,  
Turn away from sin and sadness,  
Be transformed with life anew.

Of your time and talents give ye,  
They are gifts from God above,  
To be used by Christians freely  
To proclaim His wondrous love.

Come again to serve the Savior,  
Tithes and off'rings with you bring.  
In your work with Him find favor,  
And with joy His praises sing.

Come in praise and adoration,  
All who on Christ's name believe.  
Worship Him with consecration,  
Grace and love will you receive.

For His grace give Him the glory,  
For the Spirit and the Word,  
And repeat the gospel story  
'Til all men His name have heard

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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 **Review Sunday**

PASSAGE **Genesis 25:21–23; 32:24–32; 50:20**

PRINCIPLE God uses evil intentions for good purposes.

FEATURED HYMN **"To God Be the Glory"** (*Hymns of Grace* No. 19)

ASK YOUR CHILD How did God fulfill His promises to Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph?

APPLY By remembering God has control and He is faithful.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Genesis 25:21–23; 32:24–32; 50:20

NEXT WEEK Exodus 1:1–2:25

## On GraceWalk

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

## On the Patio

- **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.

### HIGHLIGHT

#### REMAINING FAITHFUL IN MINISTRY

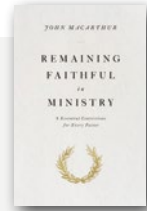
by John MacArthur

In an age when failure and burnout are increasingly common, this book is a call to conviction-driven faithfulness.

"Saturated with deep biblical conviction and vast pastoral experience." —Albert Mohler

"A power-packed guide." —Sinclair Ferguson

"Accurate and honest, direct and encouraging, clear and plain, MacArthur has produced a portrait in words. As Paul reflects Christ, so should the faithful minister. Unintentionally, MacArthur here has written his own autobiography." —Mark Dever



## Grace to You

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

### *The Greatest of These*

- 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](http://gty.org/television)

### *"The Substance of Faith"*

- NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

**ONLINE** [gty.org](http://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"

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

# Five Steps to Membership

## Membership Ministry

Last month, we were blessed to welcome sixty-one new members into our church family. We are grateful that this group of believers has been added to our number here by our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not yet joined our church as a member, here is a brief explanation of the process.

**Step 1—Register at the Member Center.** After both Sunday morning services, the Member Center is staffed by volunteers eager to answer questions about membership and baptism, and to help you begin the registration process for the membership classes.

**Step 2—Attend All Three Membership Classes.** A complete class cycle—101, 102, and 103—is offered over the first three Sundays of every month (excluding December and July).

**Step 3—Complete Membership/Baptism Packet.** Fill out all parts of the application for membership/baptism—this includes writing a brief testimony and reading a few documents to help you understand what we teach and how our church operates.

**Step 4—Attend Pastoral Interview/Schedule Baptism.** Contact your fellowship group pastor to schedule a time for your application to be reviewed and signed. This also serves as a great opportunity for an elder of our church to answer any questions you may have. You can also contact the membership office if you need help scheduling an interview. For those who need to be baptized, your baptism will be scheduled after you return the signed application to the Membership Center.

**Step 5—Right Hand of Fellowship (RHOF).** Those who finish the membership process will be welcomed as members at the next RHOF service. Before the evening service, there is a brief reception to welcome all new members, and at the close of the evening service, new members will make an affirmation of their commitment to the local body here at Grace Church. ●

*For more information about the membership process, contact our Membership Department at 818-909-5644 or [membership@gracechurch.org](mailto:membership@gracechurch.org).*

# New Members

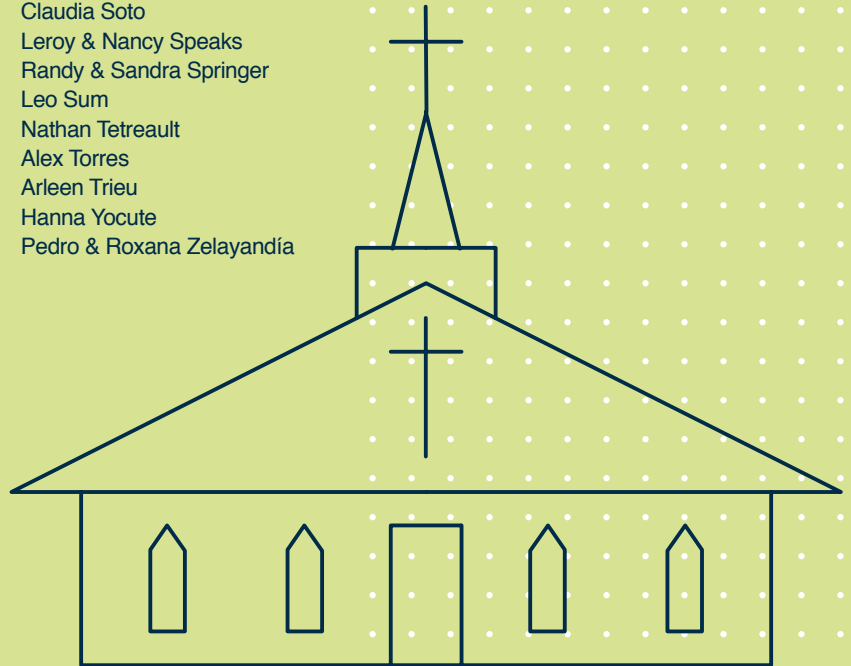
Grace Church welcomed another group of new members with the Right Hand of Fellowship. Each of these individuals completed the membership class in fulfillment of Grace Church's membership requirements.

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

Abbigail Aghishian  
Robert & Pamela Almquist  
Amy Andersen  
Tiffany Batista  
Sarah Bierhorst  
Thelma Castro  
Krystina Chenault-Serrato  
Michael Cheng  
Stephanie Colinco  
Dawn Daluise  
Francisco Del Toro Cervantes  
Melissa Delgadillo  
Darragh Descisciolo  
Emma Dirkse  
Karla Forester  
Estepan Gaviria Vargas  
Jackie Gaydos  
Carlos Gómez  
Karla Guevara Flores  
Wilber Guevara Lemus

Alice Haddad  
Arlette Haddad  
Najah Haddad-Hadaya  
Asael & Elizabeth Hernandez  
Manuel Herrera Miramontes  
David & Marilia Jamison  
Samantha Kan  
Nathan Kim  
Gloria Kwang  
Joyce Lee  
Matthew Lin  
Danny & Patricia Mar  
Lara McVicker  
Christine Grace Pamplona  
Arely Perez  
Sarah Reed  
Jeffrey & Vanessa Repreza  
Stephanie Repreza  
Joseph & Alexandra Rios  
Abrey Santos

Zach & Amie Schroeder  
Jamen & Joanna Smiley  
Claudia Soto  
Leroy & Nancy Speaks  
Randy & Sandra Springer  
Leo Sum  
Nathan Tetreault  
Alex Torres  
Arleen Trieu  
Hanna Yocute  
Pedro & Roxana Zelayandía



## Departing for the Field

Jonathan Willoughby graduated from The Master's Seminary in 2018, where he trained for pastoral ministry and missionary work. Having served under the pastoral staff of Grace en Español during their time at Grace Church, Jonathan and his wife, Carolina, are eager to take the truth of the gospel and the depth of Scripture to the people and churches of South America. The Willoughbys are departing for the mission field on February 18, and will join the Peluffo family in Lobos, Argentina, to work in church strengthening and leadership training. Please pray for Jonathan and Carolina and their children—Tobias, Sofia, and a baby on the way—as they move and begin their ministry in Argentina.



## Thank You Cards for Pastor John

If you were unable to pick up a thank you card for Pastor John during last Sunday's celebration, cards will be available on the patio this morning and next Sunday. Please return your notes to the patio table or the church receptionist by February 24.

## Russian Outreach Bible Study

**February 24 • 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.

## Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$8,235**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

## Open Arms Pregnancy Clinic

### Volunteer Training

**Friday, March 8, 6:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, March 9, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.**

**Friday, March 15, 6:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, March 16, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.**

For more information, call Jhaneth at 818-626-9404 or email [Jhaneth at 818-626-9404 or email Jhaneth at openarmspregnancy@gmail.com](mailto:jhaneth@openarmspregnancy@gmail.com).

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## Elders Meeting

Thursday, February 21 • 7:00 p.m. • CC230s

Open to our church family

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## The Master's Academy International

2019 International Symposium

The Church: Global Implications of Ecclesiology

Monday, March 4 • Calvary Bible Church, Burbank

To register, visit [tmai.org/symposium](http://tmai.org/symposium).

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## PSP Homeschool Open House

Friday, February 22 • 8:30 a.m. • Chapel

Enrollment is opening for the 2019–2020 school year (K–12 and TMU dual enrollment). For more information or to RSVP, visit [faithpsp.org](http://faithpsp.org), email [julies@faithpsp.org](mailto:julies@faithpsp.org), or call Julie at 424-307-5040.

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## LAPD Car Seat Safety Training

Saturday, February 23 • 9:00–11:00 a.m. • CC130s

In need of a car seat? LAPD will be conducting a child safety seat training and providing free car seats for all registered attendees. A continental breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. Please RSVP by February 20 to [childrens@gracechurch.org](mailto:childrens@gracechurch.org) or call 818-909-5631.

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## STM 2019 Open House Tonight

GraceWalk

Immediately following the evening service, please come and get to know this year's teams and discover how you can participate in this important international outreach opportunity. We will provide complimentary Steeple House coffee and Diddy Riese cookies to everyone interested in finding out more.



### Team Needs

There are still a limited number of openings for some of this summer's teams. Please see the specific needs below.

**Germany** • two men and two married couples

**Spain** • six young men and women

**Italy** • three young men and women

**Ukraine** • five young men and women

**Dominican Republic** • two married couples and two young men or women

**Cameroon** • two women or a married couple

**London** • four men, one woman, and two married couples

**Philippines** • one man

Opportunities to serve include supporting church plants, evangelism, youth and children's ministries, teaching English, and sports outreach. For more information, email [stm@gracechurch.org](mailto:stm@gracechurch.org).

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### With the Lord

**Edith Wyatt** recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember her family in your prayers.

*Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His godly ones.* —Psalm 116:15

**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**  
CC130E  
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 Biedebach

**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**  
CC130E  
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: Luis Contreras,  
Rubén Pidal, 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)

**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

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818-909-5631

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818-909-5500

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818-909-5537

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