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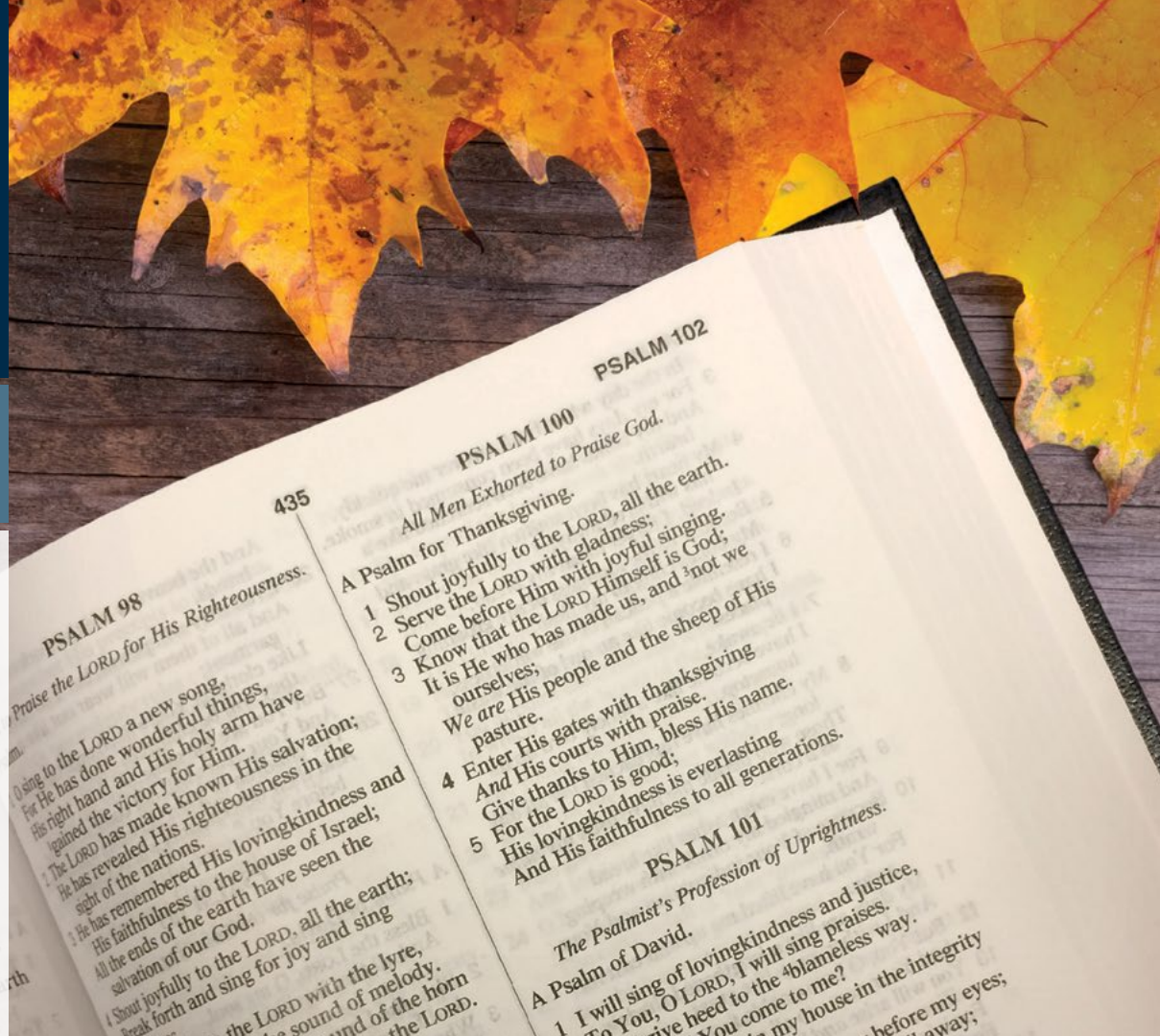
John MacArthur
PASTOR-TEACHER

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.



PSALM 98

Praise the LORD for His Righteousness.

1 Sing to the LORD a new song,
For He has done wonderful things,
His right hand and His holy arm have
gained the victory for Him.
2 The LORD has made known His salvation;
He has revealed His righteousness in the
sight of the nations.
3 He has remembered His lovingkindness and
His faithfulness to the house of Israel;
All the ends of the earth have seen the
salvation of our God.
4 Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;
Break forth and sing for joy and sing
to the LORD with the lyre,
And sound of melody.
5 Break forth and sing for joy and sing
to the LORD.

PSALM 102

All Men Exhorted to Praise God.

A Psalm for Thanksgiving.

- 1 Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth.
- 2 Serve the LORD with gladness;
Come before Him with joyful singing.
- 3 Know that the LORD Himself is God;
It is He who has made us, and 'not we
ourselves;

*We are His people and the sheep of His
pasture.*

- 4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving
And His courts with praise.
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.
- 5 For the LORD is good;
His lovingkindness is everlasting
And His faithfulness to all generations.

PSALM 101

The Psalmist's Profession of Uprightness.

A Psalm of David.

- 1 I will sing of lovingkindness and justice,
To You, O LORD, I will sing praises.
2 Give heed to the 'blameless way.
You come to me?
my house in the integrity
before my eyes;
away;

8:30 & 10:30* am

“Final” from Symphony No. 1 • Vienne • Stephen Sturz, Organist

Hymn 6 The God of Abraham Praise • Congregation

Hymn 116 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Now Thank We All Our God • Cruger/Sanborn-Rice • String Orchestra, Woodwinds, Piano

All His Benefits • Baloché-Kerf/Taylor-Burgess • Worship Choir

Hymn 374 My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness • Congregation

For Your Pleasure • Nelson-Farrell-Marino/Huff-Rice • Michael Bohr

MESSAGE: **THE CALL FOR UNITY IN THE CHURCH, PART 3**

John MacArthur • Philippians 1:27–30

Doxology Hymn • Congregation

Let the Whole Creation Cry • Johnson • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Great Is Thy Faithfulness • Runyan/Sturz • Organ Prelude

I Sing the Mighty Power of God • Trad./Sturz

Hymn 435 We Gather Together • Congregation

Hymn 436 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Our Great Savior • Prichard/Goeller • Orchestra

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty • Trad./Hayes • Worship Choir

Psalms 150 • Franck • Worship Choir

Hymn 86 Great Is Thy Faithfulness • Congregation

Blessings • Story/Rice • Grace Chung

MESSAGE: **IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS**

John MacArthur

Communion

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

Anthem**All His Benefits**

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits;
Who forgives all your sins, and heals all your diseases.

Who redeems your life from the pit,
And crowns you with love and compassion;
Who satisfies your desires with good things,
So that your youth is renewed, like the eagle's.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits;
Who forgives all your sins, and heals all your diseases.

Who redeems your life from the pit,
And crowns you with love and compassion;
Who satisfies your desires with good things,
So that your youth is renewed, like the eagle's.

Praise the Lord, and forget not all His benefits,
Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits

Words adapted from Psalm 103:2–5; music by Paul Baloché and Ed Kerr

Doxology Hymn**Hymn 353 O Church, Arise**

O church arise, and put your armor on, Hear the call of Christ, our Captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, We'll stand against the devil's lies—
An army bold, whose battle cry is “Love,” Reaching out to those in darkness.

* 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.

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.

Next Membership Class • January 5
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 Uses Gideon to Deliver Israel**

PASSAGE **Judges 6:1–8:34**

PRINCIPLE God chooses to deliver His people.

FEATURED HYMN "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 206)

ASK YOUR CHILD Why were the Israelites suffering under the Midianites?

APPLY By admitting that you are unworthy of God's grace and deliverance.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Judges 6:1–8:34

NEXT WEEK Judges 13–16

On GraceWalk

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

On the Patio

- **Christmas Concert Tickets**
- **Grace Equip**
- **Juniors Winter Camp**
- **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

ANNUAL BIBLE SALE

All Bibles discounted
30–55% off retail, while
supplies last.

Sale ends Saturday,
November 30



Grace to You

RADIO gtv.org/radio

- **Blessings of Life in the Church**
- **A Model for Giving Thanks**
- **Four Portraits of the Thankful Redeemed**
- **Jesus Plus Nothing Equals Everything**

• 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 gtv.org/television

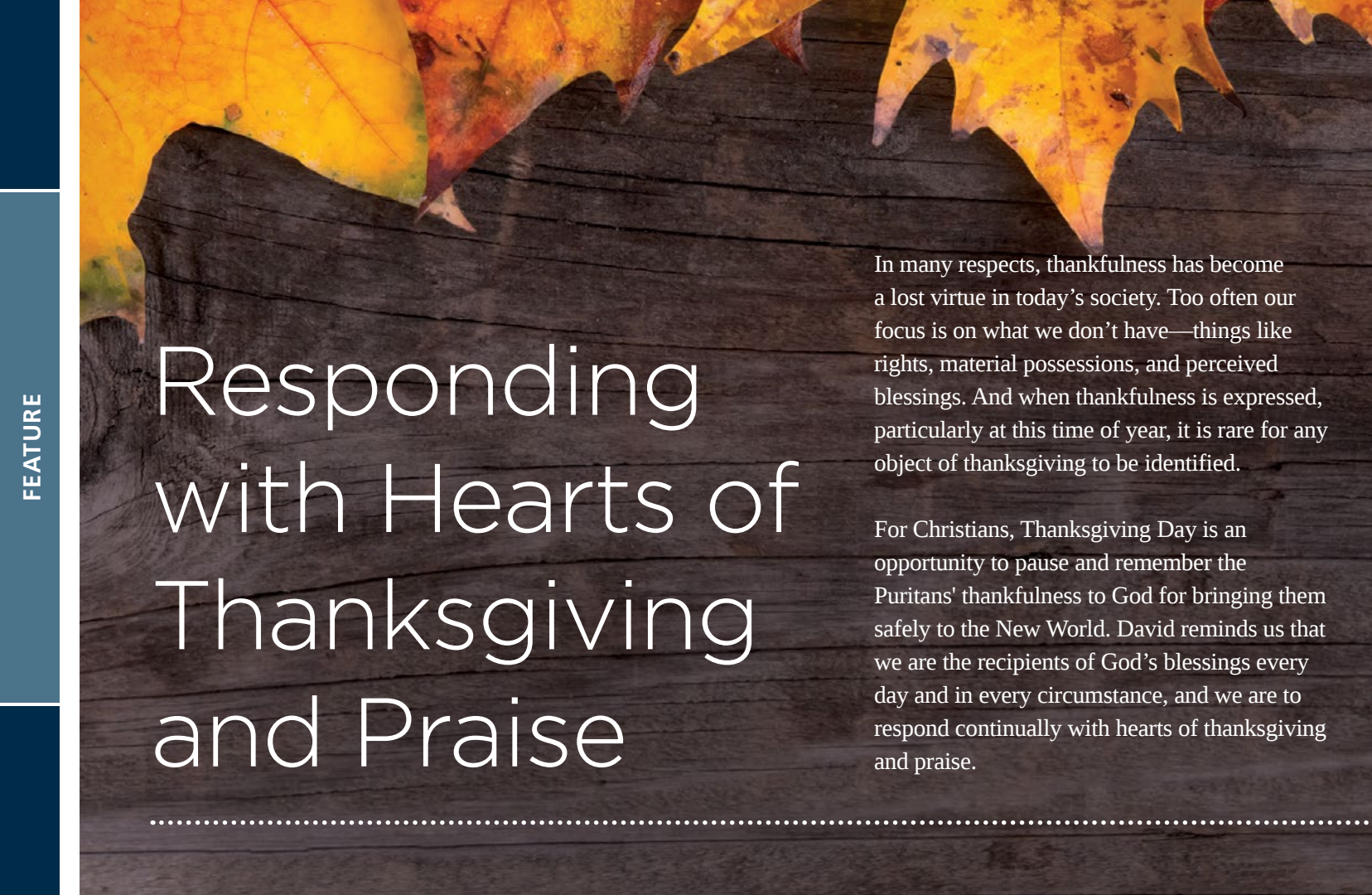
"The Humble Love of Christ"

• NRBTV CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

ONLINE gtv.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.



Responding with Hearts of Thanksgiving and Praise

In many respects, thankfulness has become a lost virtue in today's society. Too often our focus is on what we don't have—things like rights, material possessions, and perceived blessings. And when thankfulness is expressed, particularly at this time of year, it is rare for any object of thanksgiving to be identified.

For Christians, Thanksgiving Day is an opportunity to pause and remember the Puritans' thankfulness to God for bringing them safely to the New World. David reminds us that we are the recipients of God's blessings every day and in every circumstance, and we are to respond continually with hearts of thanksgiving and praise.



Psalm 100

A Psalm for Thanksgiving.

Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth.

Serve the LORD with gladness;

Come before Him with joyful singing.

Know that the LORD Himself is God;

It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving

And His courts with praise

Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

For the LORD is good;

His lovingkindness is everlasting

And His faithfulness to all generations.

Giver of All

I thank Thee for the temporal blessings of this world—the refreshing air, the light of the sun, the food that renews strength, the raiment that clothes, the dwelling that shelters, the sleep that gives rest, the starry canopy of night, the summer breeze, the flowers' sweetness, the music of flowing streams, the happy endearments of family, kindred, friends. Things animate, things inanimate, minister to my comfort. My cup runs over. Suffer me not to be insensible to these daily mercies. Thy hand bestows blessings: Thy power averts evil. I bring my tribute of thanks for spiritual graces, the full warmth of faith, the cheering presence of Thy Spirit, the strength of Thy restraining will, Thy spiking of hell's artillery. Blessed be my sovereign Lord!

FROM *THE VALLEY OF VISION*



Christmas Concert

December 19–22

Thursday & Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, 2:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

Worship Choir • Symphonic Orchestra
Vocal Solos & Ensembles • Handbell Choir
Children's Choir

Call 818-909-5670 or go to gracechurch.org/concert for more information.
Tickets are available at the patio table on Sunday mornings and from the church receptionist during the week.

Child care is available for children five years old and younger.

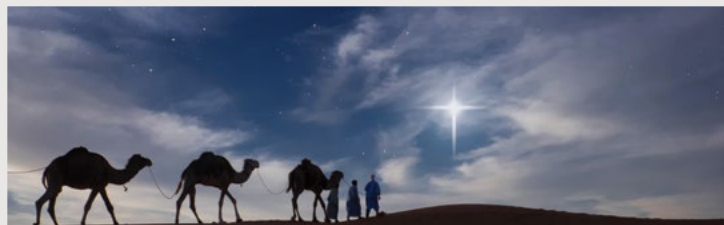
Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$8,586**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Basketball Outreach

Mondays • 8:00 p.m. • Family Center

Every Monday night, the Family Center is transformed into Grace Gym for an evening of basketball and evangelism. The neighborhood comes to play basketball in our newly renovated gym, and at halftime there is a faithful gospel presentation. We would love for our church family to join us in modeling how to compete in a Christlike manner, and in taking opportunities between games to personally engage our friends with the gospel.



The Hidden Wonders of Christmas

Sunday Night Series • December 1–15

Don't miss this exciting, three-part series as we deepen our understanding of the story of our Savior's birth.

Adventure Club

Please note that Adventure Club will not meet this evening due to the Thanksgiving Communion service.

Juniors Winter Camp *Heroes of the Faith*

January 3–5 • Forest Home • Cost: \$185 (\$225 after December 5)

Registration is open on the patio and at gracechurch.org/children.

Homebound Ministry

Remember to let the homebound members of our church family know that you care about and are praying for them during the Christmas season. Drop off your cards and notes at the Information window at the Welcome Center today.

Grace Equip Fall Class

Heresies and Creeds: Orthodoxy After 450 Years of Arguing

December 7–14 (Saturdays) • 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, visit gracechurch.org/equip.

Primary Christmas Party

Saturday, December 7 • 9:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. • CC130

All first–third-grade children (and friends of the same age) are invited to celebrate the Savior's birth. Bring a small sack lunch (drinks and dessert will be provided) and canned goods for needy families. Game-appropriate attire, please (no dresses). Call 818-909-5631 for more information.

Attend a Fellowship Group

Adult fellowship groups exist to glorify God by studying His Word, practically applying that truth to daily life, and providing God's people with opportunities for worship, ministry, and building relationships with each other.

Times and locations of fellowship groups are listed on the back page of *Grace Today*.

Come ChristmasSing Concert Series

For unto Us, a Child Is Born!

Presented by The Master's University Singers & Orchestra

Saturday, December 7 • Grace Church Worship Center • 2:00 & 7:30 p.m.

For tickets, visit masters.edu/music or call 661-362-2262

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 Wallis

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

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: 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

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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

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Counseling**
818-909-5537

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818-909-5519

Spanish
818-909-5722

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818-909-5519

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818-909-5593

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818-909-5521

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