

GRACE TODAY

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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 • Steven Sturz, Organist*Hymn 94 Praise Him! Praise Him!* • Congregation*Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed* • Governor/Rice • Worship Choir*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* • Mason/Maddux-Rice • Strings, Woodwinds*Hymn 289 In the Cross Alone I Glory* • Congregation*Your Grace Still Amazes Me* • Harrington-Craig/Rice • Michael MahoneyMESSAGE: **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT, PART 6**

John MacArthur • Romans 8

Communion*Old Hundredth* • Trad./Bock • Organ Postlude**6:00 pm***I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art* • Trad. • Instrumental Prelude*Songs of Praise* • Congregation*Baptism* • Rick McLean*Hymn 25 The Perfect Wisdom of Our God* • OffertoryMESSAGE: **PRESENTING EVERY MAN PERFECT**

Mike Riccardi • Colossians 1:28–29

Postlude**Anthem***Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*

Alas! and did my Savior bleed,
 And did my Sov'reign die?
 Would He devote that sacred head
 For such a worm as I?

Was it for sins that I have done
 He groaned upon the tree?
 Amazing pity! grace unknown!
 And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide
 And shut its glories in,
 When Christ, the great Redeemer, died
 For His own creatures' sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face
 While His dear cross appears,
 Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,
 And melt my eye to tears.

But tears of grief cannot repay
 The debt of love I owe;
 Here, Lord, I give myself away:
 'Tis all that I can do,
 'Tis all that I can do.

Words by Isaac Watts (1707); music by Deborah Govenor

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. 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
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 Forgives David**

PASSAGE **2 Samuel 11:1–12:25**

PRINCIPLE We should turn to God's grace after disobeying His Word.

FEATURED HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (*Hymns of Grace* No. 2)

ASK YOUR CHILD How did God extend grace to David?

APPLY By accepting the consequences of your sin.

THIS WEEK As a family, read 2 Samuel 11:1–12:25

NEXT WEEK 1 Kings 2:1–4; 3:3–15

On GraceWalk

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

On the Patio

- **Spanish Ministry**
(by the Chapel)
- **Spanish Women's Event**

Bookstore

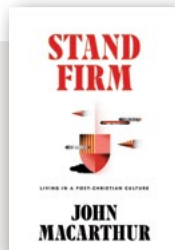
The Bookstore is open after each service and during the week. It is located on the south side of the Worship Center.

NEW FROM PASTOR JOHN

STAND FIRM: LIVING IN A POST-CHRISTIAN CULTURE

by John MacArthur

God has revealed what kind of people we are to be in a hostile world, and by His Word and Spirit, He supplies us with everything we need to persevere in holiness, humility, and love.



Grace to You

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The End Is Not the End

- 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 Divine Summons"

- 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"

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

NOT of this world

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

—ROMANS 12:2

When challenged about the world's influence in our lives, most of us respond dismissively. We are quick to denounce the corrupt trends of the culture and highlight our participation in the church. Church parking lots are full of bumper stickers that declare we are "not of this world."

Yet worldliness is far more subtle than we care to think, and this is precisely what makes it so dangerous. It thrives best in the individual who is convinced he is free of the disease, who believes it poses no threat to his state of mind.

The gravity of this problem is illustrated in the commands given by the writers of the New Testament. Paul had to urge the believers in Rome to "not be conformed to this world, but be transformed" by the renewing of their minds (Romans 12:2). He exhorted the Colossian church to set

their minds “on the things above, not on the things that are on earth” (Colossians 3:2) and reminded the Philippian believers that “our citizenship is in heaven” (Philippians 3:20). John stated it bluntly, “Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him” (1 John 2:15).

The very fact that the writers of the New Testament address the topic of worldliness with reminders and warnings illustrates that even saints are prone to love the world. And in the first-century, the difference between the church and the world was stark; today, that difference is hard to distinguish.

In light of this need for reminders and warnings, this year’s Men of the Word conference will focus on the problem of worldliness: how to identify its subtle features, how to mortify it, and how to cultivate its antithesis—a life resolutely focused on Christ.

Men, recognize the clear and present danger, and join us on Saturday morning, April 25, for a time of exhortation, admonition, and encouragement. ■



NOT of this world

2020 Men of the Word Conference

Saturday, April 25 • 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Worship Center

Speaker: Paul Washer

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch)

Register online at gracechurch.org/motw

Ethnic Outreach

For information about the times and locations of our ethnic ministries, please contact the leaders at the email addresses below. If you are interested in an ethnic outreach group that is not listed here, contact the local outreach office at 818-909-5721.

Arabic Outreach • arabicfellowship@gracechurch.org

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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*.

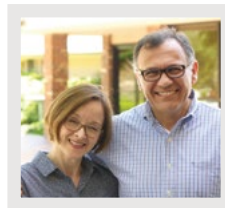
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Grace Around the World

Fernando & Julia Jaimes

Serving in **Colombia** since **2016**



Prayer / Praise

- Praise the Lord for saving many people in Colombia and growing their faith in Him.
- Pray for wisdom and financial provision as we consider buying a building for our church and training program.

For more information visit gracechurch.org/jaimes.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$5,697**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Neighborhood Outreach

Sundays • 12:30 p.m. • H223-224

This ministry brings the good news of God's grace to our local community on Sunday afternoons. After a potluck meal, participants go out into the neighborhood to present the gospel, invite our neighbors to church, and learn about any needs our church may be able to meet. The ministry also does street evangelism at the North Hollywood Metro Station.

For more information call 818-909-5721.

Job Opportunities

Illustrator. Adventure Club has a part-time opening (29 hours/week) for an illustrator. Job requirements include proficiency in Photoshop, and strong character and background design skills. This position requires the ability to collaborate with a team to produce consistency with the model of projects, and the ability to manage a busy workload and meet strict deadlines. All 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 Human Resources at HR@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

CIS Chair. The Master's University has a full-time opening for the chair of the Computer and Information Science Department. In addition to instructional responsibilities, the chair will provide leadership to the department, driving innovation in learning and programs. This position requires a master's degree in computer science or related field, as well as a minimum of three years of industry experience. For more information, visit masters.edu/employment.

Baby Rose Reminder

To have a rosebud placed in honor of your newborn baby, email music@gracechurch.org or call Erin at 818-909-5678.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. —Hebrews 4:14–16

Discipleship Counseling 3

April 8–June 24 (Wednesdays) • 6:30–8:30 p.m. • T370s

Instructors: Bill Shannon, George Sanders • Cost: \$80

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

Sunday School Volunteers

Children's Ministry has an urgent need for Sunday School volunteers during the 10:30 a.m. service. If you are interested in serving, please pick up an application at the Welcome Center. For additional information, email childrens@gracechurch.org.

The Master's Kids Informational Meeting

Tuesday, March 31 • 10 a.m.–Noon • T270s

Attendance gives you priority for the 2020–2021 class. To sign up for childcare (five years and younger), contact Beth Voorheis, program director, by March 24 at bvoor@sbcglobal.net. Please include your child's name and birthdate.

TMK is a Bible-based kindergarten-prep program for moms and kids starting kindergarten in fall 2021.

Korean Outreach Bible Study

한국어 성경공부

Today • 12:30 p.m. • H221–222

If you or someone you know is a Korean speaker who would benefit from biblical fellowship, please join us on the first and third Sunday of each month. Lunch and childcare are provided. For more information, call Jong Yi at 818-634-5987 or Michael Park at 747-276-9486, or email koreanfellowship@gracechurch.org

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
Pastor: Rich Gregory

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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