

GRACE TODAY

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PASTOR-TEACHER

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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.



10:30* am

Two Antiphons • Dupré/Sturz • Stephen Sturz, Organist**Hymn 324 God, Our Father, We Adore Thee** • Congregation**Hymn 24 O My Soul, Bless God the Father***Shepherd's Song* • Bain-Hodges-Coates/Rice • Piano & Brass*Your Grace Still Amazes Me* • Craig-Harrington/Allen • Worship Choir**Hymn 35 O Great God** • Congregation*The Holy Heart* • Barbour-Skidmore/Krogstad • Philip WebbMESSAGE: **PRAYER AND THE GOD WHO HEARS**

John MacArthur • Luke 11:1–4

Doxology Hymn • Congregation*Lift Up Your Heads* • Bingham • Organ Postlude

6:00 pm

Instrumental Prelude**Psalms of Grace** • Congregation**Baptism**MESSAGE: **THE WAR FOR YOUR SOUL**

Austin Duncan • 1 Peter 2:11–12

Postlude

Live stream available at gracechurch.org/live. *Translations in Korean, Arabic, Italian, Russian, Portuguese, and American Sign Language (ASL) are provided during the 10:30 a.m. service.

Instrumental Praise*Shepherd's Song*

Like a shepherd caring for his sheep
My God provides for my ev'ry need.
Pastures green and quiet waters
Are beside me as I walk His way.
He leads in paths of righteousness
As I'm walking with my Lord each day.

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me,
The quiet waters by.

Goodness and mercy all my days
Will surely follow me;
And in my Father's house always
My dwelling place shall be.
And in my heart forevermore
Thy dwelling place shall be.

Words based on Psalm 23 by William Whittingham, Scottish Psalter (1650); words and music to "Shepherd's Song" by Lynn Hodges and John E. Coates (1985); "Brother James' Air" by J. L. Macbeth Bain (1915)

Doxology Hymn**Hymn 385 More Love to Thee, O Christ**

More love to Thee, O Christ, More love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee;
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ to Thee,
More love to Thee, More love to Thee!

Campus Ministries

THE WELCOME CENTER hosts a reception for visitors following the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. Find helpful people with answers to any questions you have about our church, and 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 east side of the Upper Room, north of the Welcome Center.

Next Membership Class • June 6
101 • 8:30 a.m. • Grace Grill

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.

GraceWalk

• Local Outreach

On the Patio

- Camp Regen
- Family Month
- Spanish Ministry (by the Chapel)

Bookstore

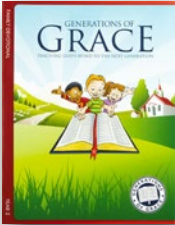
The Bookstore is open after each service and during the week. It is located on the south side of the Worship Center.

HIGHLIGHT

GENERATIONS OF GRACE FAMILY DEVOTIONAL, YEAR 2

The *Generations of Grace Family Devotional* contains daily devotions (five per week) that each include a brief lesson, application questions, and discussion topics to talk through as a family. Year 2 covers Deuteronomy through Esther, including the book of Daniel.

Sale extended; final week at 50% off retail



Generations of Grace Children’s Sunday School



MESSAGE **Saul Is Converted**

PASSAGE **Acts 9:1–31**

PRINCIPLE All people are God’s enemies until they repent and enter God’s family.

FEATURED HYMN “And Can It Be?” (*Hymns of Grace* No. 180)

ASK YOUR CHILD How did Saul demonstrate his faith in Jesus?

APPLY By being willing to suffer for Jesus while proclaiming Him to others.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Acts 9:1–31.

NEXT WEEK Acts 10:1–11:18

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

Grace to You

RADIO gty.org/radio

Mishandled: Setting the Record Straight on Frequently Abused Bible Verses

- 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
- KABC 790 AM LOS ANGELES Sat 7:30 am

TELEVISION gty.org/television

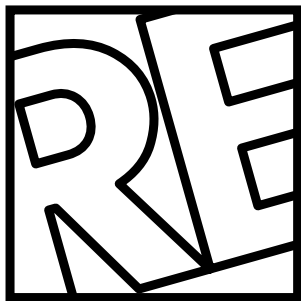
“The Beauty and Blessing of Forgiveness, Part 2”

- NRBT 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”

INVESTING IN ETERNITY



High School Ministry
Camp Regeneration



For more than a decade, Camp Regeneration has been an annual testament to the life-changing work of the Word. Every summer, high school students from across the country gather for a week focused on powerful preaching. The result: countless testimonies and immeasurable fruit. Many have been converted, while others have experienced a week of radical growth.

After a year of no summer camp, we are thrilled to announce that **CAMP REGEN IS BACK!** From July 30–August 5, hundreds of high school students will travel to Glorieta, New Mexico, for a week of great fun, powerful preaching, and incredible worship. We are thrilled to have Pastor John join us again this year, along with our college pastor, Austin Duncan. In this Bible-centered atmosphere, we hope to see the Lord work mightily once again.

The preaching theme for Regen 2021 is, “Number Your Days.” For most young people, death is a far-off reality—something kept out of mind, since it probably won’t happen for a long time. Likewise, our culture tries to minimize the reality of death: graveyards are called “memorial parks,” and morticians are now called “directors.”



Rather than avoiding death, the Bible teaches us that we gain a heart of wisdom by numbering our days (Psalm 90:12). The best way to be wise in this life is to realize that it won't last forever. The key to skillful living is to have a keen awareness that we all will eventually die.

And yet, the Bible provides glorious hope and even joy on the topic of death. We have a God who is eternal, untainted by death. Further, God sent His Son to conquer death, to free us from the fear of death, and to provide eternal life for all who believe in Him. This is a topic your student won't want to miss.



WAYS TO PARTNER

Camp Regeneration has always been a “whole church” ministry. It cannot exist without the partnership and support of the entire body. There are two primary ways you can help.

Pray. The greatest support you can provide is prayer. Our biggest need is for the Lord to be at work in our camp. We would love prayer for unbelievers to come, for the preaching, for conversion, and for spiritual growth.

Give. You can also partner with us by contributing to the Camp Regen Scholarship Fund—a financial resource that allows us to say “yes” to our students and their unsaved friends who otherwise would not be able to attend. You can provide a full scholarship (\$425), half-scholarship (\$215), or any other amount you feel led to give. If you are interested, please stop by the Regen table on any Sunday morning over the next three weeks or go to gracechurch.org/180.

Our church family plays a critical role in the ministry we do at Camp Regen, and for that, we're thankful. With camp just two months away, we eagerly anticipate seeing fruit as the Lord works through His Word and through His Church.

To learn more about this year's camp, visit campregen.com.



Faith Promise



Make your anonymous
commitment online today
at gracechurch.org/fp.

Evangelism Ministries

The Bible describes Christians as ambassadors for Christ—those who were saved to “proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light” (1 Peter 2:9). One of the most joyful duties we have is to proclaim this great gospel to others. To this end, Grace Church members hold evangelistic Bible studies in jails, rehab centers, assisted living facilities, hospitals, and on Skid Row. Groups also go door-to-door right here in our own neighborhood.

Abortion Clinic Outreach • Acton Rehabilitation Center
Basketball Outreach • Castaic Jail Ministry • Homeless Outreach
Hope Bible Study • Neighborhood Outreach • Volleyball Outreach

For more information about any of these ministries, call 818-909-5700, or visit gracechurch.org/local.

Good Neighbors

As a courtesy to our neighbors, please avoid parking in front of the houses surrounding Grace Church. Instead, use one of the designated parking lots. If street parking is unavoidable, we urge you to be especially attentive to and considerate of our neighbors' comfort and property.

Grace Around the World

The Corral Family

Daniel & Aida (1979–2020), Marcos, Olimpia, Mateo, Alexia
Serving in **Spain** since **2017**



Prayer / Praise

- Pray for strength, wisdom, and grace as the Corrals continue to mourn the loss of Aida.
- Pray for endurance as Daniel continues to minister and train up young men for ministry.

For more information, visit gracechurch.org/corral.

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$31,899**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

Local Outreach Spotlight

Visitor Outreach

Every Sunday, our church is honored to welcome first-time visitors. During the following week, our visitor outreach team connects with each visitor who submitted a registration card. They thank our guests for visiting, attempt to answer any questions they may have, and offer to help them get plugged into Grace Church. These calls can be a great opportunity to proclaim the gospel. Team members also invite the visitors back to church, offering to host them during the services, with the goal of building discipleship relationships with them. For more information, call 818-909-5721.

Vacation Bible School

Registration

June 22-25 • 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

For kids going into grades K-6 this fall. Register by June 6 at gracechurch.org/vbs.

Craft Need

Children's Ministry is collecting large (26-34 oz.) empty jars with lids to be used during the week of VBS. Please drop off clean, empty jars at the Children's Ministry office during the week or the Children's Resource Room on Sunday mornings.

Saving Seats in the Worship Center

Please be courteous when reserving seats in the Worship Center. Space is limited; please consider others, and limit saving seats to your immediate family. Additional seating is available in the Family Center and the Tent.

Job Opportunities

Curriculum Editor, Custodian, Dishwasher, Nursery Workers (Grace Church); Junior Software Engineer (The Master's University). For a complete list of job openings, check the Opportunity Sheet at gracechurch.org/opportunitysheet.

With the Lord

Abigail Tenorio recently went to be with the Lord. Please remember her family in your prayers. There will be a service in her honor on Saturday, June 5, at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

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

Membership Classes

Membership classes are available the first three Sundays of every month (except for December and July) during the 10:30 a.m. hour in the Grace Grill (north of the Family Center). See the listing under "Campus Ministries" at the front of *Grace Today* to see which class is being offered. To find out more or to register for a class, stop by the Member Center or email membership@gracechurch.org.

PSP Homeschool Group

Used Curriculum Sale

Saturday, June 5 • 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. • Family Center

Seller registration is now open. For information, visit faithpsp.org or call Marina at 424-307-5040.

The Master's University

Engineering Programs

The Master's University has new bachelor's degree programs in mechanical, electrical, and computer engineering planned to launch in Fall 2021. If your son or daughter is interested in studying in one of these areas at one of the world's leading Christian universities, visit masters.edu to apply.

Track & Field Coaches

TMU is currently seeking volunteer field event coaches (i.e. jumps, pole vault, throws). For more information, contact Zach Schroeder at zschroeder@masters.edu.

Summer Sports Camps for Kids **Baseball • Basketball • Volleyball • Soccer**

All camps are led by The Master's University coaches and players and held on the university campus. For more information or to register, visit masters.edu/summercamps.

8:30 a.m.

Anchored (All ages)
T360sPastors: Carl Hargrove,
Bill Shannon**Children's Ministry**Visit the Welcome Center for
room locations.

Pastor: Taylor Sinclair

Commissioned (All ages)

Family Center 2

Pastors: Rodney Andersen,
Brad Klassen**Cornerstone** (All ages)

T370s

Pastors: Nathan Busenitz,
Hohn Cho, Mark Tatlock,
Harry Walls**Crossroads**

(College & young adults)

Tent

Pastor: Austin Duncan

GraceLife (All ages)

Chapel & Chapel Plaza

Pastors: Phil Johnson,
Mike Riccardi**High School** (Grades 9–12)

T70s (Basement)

Pastor: Josh Petras

Joint Heirs (All ages)

Family Center 1

Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street

Jr. High (Grades 7–8)

Small Tent (behind TMS)

Pastor: Jay Lennington

Sojourners (All ages)

Family Center 3

Pastors: Abner Chou,
Joe Zhakevich**Spanish Adult Sunday School**

H221-222

Pastor: Josiah Grauman

Steadfast (All ages)

T260s

Pastor: Brian Biedebach

10:30 a.m.

Spanish Worship Service

Chapel

Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,
Josiah Grauman**Developmentally Disabled**

CC130s

Pastor: Rick McLean

12:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Outreach

H223–224

5:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting

T265

6:00 p.m.

Adventure Club

Family Center (Grades 4–6)

Chapel (Grades 1–3)

CC130s (Ages 3–5)

MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Administration

818-909-5500

Children

818-909-5631

Grace Equip

818-909-5674

Membership

818-909-5644

Men

818-909-5537

Outreach

818-909-5700

**Pastoral Care &
Counseling**

818-909-5537

Prayer

818-909-5519

Mondays 9:00 a.m.

Monday Morning Prayer Group

Welcome Center

Fridays 7:00 p.m.

Foundation (Young professionals)

Family Center

Pastor: Mark Zhakevich

Building Abbreviation Key

T = Tower H = Heritage

CC = Children's Center

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His truth in the world.*

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