

Grace Notes

May 2017

Monthly Newsletter of Grace Baptist Church



Pastor Randy's Notes

I want to make use of my newsletter space this month to encourage all of you to attend the Bilingual Worship and Praise Service at Woodland Park Baptist Church on Friday, May 12, at 7:00 pm. This will be a wonderful time of praise, worship, prayer, and fellowship with our sister American Baptist Churches. If you need a ride to this event, contact Pastor Randy or Paul Young. **You won't want to miss this special time of praising and glorifying God!**



MAY 12TH / 12 MAYO
PDX BILINGUAL
WORSHIP JAM
NOCHE DE
ALABANZA
BILINGÜE PDX

Experience unity with believers from our community as we worship Jesus together!

¡Experimenta la unidad de la Iglesia en nuestra comunidad adorando a Jesús junto a otros creyentes!

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Woodland Park Baptist Church, Esperanza Church,
Iglesia Visión Nueva, Grace Baptist Church

Friday, May 12th,
7-8:30pm

Viernes, 12 Mayo,
7-8:30pm

Music
Música

Fellowship
Convivencia

Worshipping Jesus
Together

Adorando a Jesús
Juntos

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**MAY
COMMUNION
SERVERS:**
Ken Danielson
Bob Fox



SPIRITUAL LIFE

Last month I talked about our need to share the Good News with others. I concluded with this prayer, “Lord, help me; I can’t do this on my own. Amen.”

Recently I have been reading an article from Outreach Magazine entitled “Prayer and Outreach” by Kevin Harney. In the article Rev. Harney talks about sharing the Gospel and calls it “scattering seed.” This article confirms we can’t do it on our own, both God and we play a part in sharing the Good News. Rev. Harney writes, “**Our Part:** loving deeply, serving humbly, speaking wisely, reflecting the presence of Jesus consistently and scattering seed everywhere we go...**God’s part:** drawing people, changing hearts, convicting, washing clean, and offering heavenly grace!” I see this happening around us at Grace Baptist Church. The article also goes on to share how we can better prepare ourselves to carry out our part, “As you go throughout your day, here are 10 prayers that will position your heart, mind, and soul for scattering and watering:



1. This is yours... your will be done in and through me.
2. My mouth is yours. Let me speak words that will glorify you and point people to Jesus.
3. Equip me for the battles I will face today.
4. Open my eyes to see the people around me the way you do.
5. Let me know your peace and patience.
6. Lord, draw near this person and show them your face and your grace.
7. Heavenly Father, thank you for your good gifts.
8. Open my mouth to ask good questions and my ears to listen attentively.
9. Let the joy of your presence shine through me.
10. Let the seed that has been scattered take root and grow for your glory.”

All of us need to challenge ourselves, every moment of every day, to pray about how we can better share the Good News of Jesus and ask God to give us the boldness to get out and do it. Then we just need to go do it!

Blessings!

Paul Young, Lay Minister of Spiritual Life

GRACE FAMILY FINANCES

MARCH 2017

General Operating Fund

Monthly Budget	\$ 9,840.34
Income Received	\$ 9,783.70
Expenses	\$ 8,981.64
Net Received for Month	\$ 802.06

Mission Fund

Mission Giving Plan	\$ 1,216.54
Specified gifts/offering	\$ 1,067.50

Liabilities

General Fund Balance 03/31/17	\$ 12,997.38
Payroll Tax Liabilities & Accounts Payable	\$ 1,884.20
GF Less P/R Liabilities	\$ 11,113.18

Building Fund

Building Fund Balance 11/30/16	\$ 12,033.90
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NOTES FROM YOUR MUSIC/WORSHIP LEADER & LAY MINISTER OF CHURCH LIFE, JUDY YOUNG



Once again I would like to take this article space to encourage you to participate in the ABC-USA Biennial. The theme for the Mission Summit this year is, "Connect!" What a special time to learn and connect with others in our denomination. At the large gatherings of all participants, there is always wonderful music and a great speaker. Throughout the event there will be Bible studies, Mission Summit Conversations, learning opportunities, and lots of displays of the various ministries ABC-USA is involved with. If you are interested in attending the summit, you must register on-line at www.americanbaptists2017.com. Grace is making scholarships available for attendance and transportation costs, so if you are in need of financial help please see Pastor Randy or Judy Young.

As a church, we are encouraging everyone to attend the General Session on Sunday, July 2. More specific information will come soon in regards to time and transportation.

Also, please consider volunteering in one of the areas listed below on the Volunteer Interest Survey. You may return a completed form to Judy Young. Much help is needed.

Most of all, please continue to pray God will be glorified throughout the preparations and during this event; and all things will come together in a timely manner.

2017 ABCUSA "Mission Summit" Volunteer Interest Survey

Please provide the information below:

Volunteer to help at Mission Summit in Portland, Oregon June 30 – July 2, 2017

Email Address:

Phone Number

First Name:

Last Name:

Address:

City:

State: Zip:

I would like Volunteer (feel free to check more than one):

- ☐ Ushering/Greeting
 ☐ Hospitality
 ☐ Registration
 ☐ Ticket Sales
 ☐ Transportation
☐ Translation
 ☐ Prayer Support
 ☐ Child Care (background check required)




Please complete the form and mail it to: ABCCPC Biennial 2017, 0245 SW Bancroft, Suite G., Portland OR 97239

BIENNIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

If you wish to attend the Biennial, registration is \$50. If you can not afford the registration fee, Grace has scholarships available. If you are interested, see Pastor Randy.

MAY 2017

Fellowship Fund offering is received
the first Sunday of the month.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		11:00 am Deaconesses' Meeting	6:30 pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer	7:00 pm Walleye Club	7:30 pm IVN Church Bible Study	10:00 am White Cross Mission Work Day 6:00 pm IVN Sisters' Bible Study
7 <i>COMMUNION</i> 8:30 am Praise/Worship Team Practice 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship 6:00 pm Bible Study	8	9	10	11	12	13
			6:30 pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer		7:30 pm IVN Church Bible Study	12:00 pm All Day IVN Anniversary Celebration
14 8:30 am Praise/Worship Team Practice 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship 6:00 pm Bible Study Collect Food For Open Heart Pantry	15	16	17	18	19	20
	1:00 pm Board Meeting		6:30 pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer		10:30 am Stocking Shelving Food @ MUM 1:30 pm Bridger's Harvest Share 3:00 pm MUM's Food Distribution 7:30 pm IVN Church Bible Study	9:00 am MUM's Food Distribution 11:30 am Girlfriends' Birthday Lunch @ El Indio, 11114 NE Halsey
21 8:30 am Praise/Worship Team Practice 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship 6:00 pm Bible Study	22	23	24	25	26	27
	June Articles Due In Office		6:30 pm Adult Bible Study	5:30 pm Rest Stop Appreciation Dinner	7:30 pm IVN Church Bible Study	
28 8:30 am Praise/Worship Team Practice 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship 6:00 pm Bible Study	29	30	31			
	memorial DAY		6:30 pm Adult Bible Study			

May Birthdays
15 Gerald Coulesey
23 Diana Hiatt
23 Jenny (Johnson) Whiting
29 Bob Fox



May Anniversary
05 Dan & Beth Jones



MUM OPEN HEARTS PANTRY

Once again thank you to Grace family for your donations. Please continue to donate personal hygiene items, laundry soap, and cleaning items which can be purchased at dollar tree. The pantry is also in need of canned fruit (often not available at Sunshine where food is picked up), so donations of this type would be welcomed as well. Boxed cereal of all kinds are needed considering they are a popular item.

Next food days are Friday, May 19 and Saturday, May 20. Remember to bring food donations to the white barrel in the entryway on the Sunday before (May, 14 which is Mothers day). Donations can be brought in any time prior to this as well.

Shannon Hastings, Liaison for Montavilla United Methodist Open Heart Pantry



WHITE CROSS MISSION WORK DAY

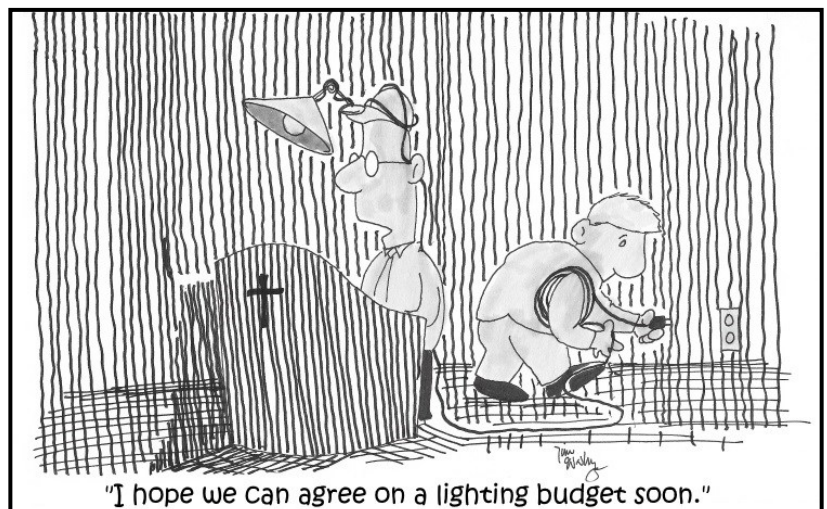
The Mission Work Day is on Saturday, May 6. We will be rolling bandages, cutting surgical squares, and working on other items as well. Refreshments will be provided. If you would like to do some projects for White Cross Missions on your own, please see Shannon Hastings. There are sheets with suggested projects in the entryway. Rolled bandages can be 2", 3", or 4" wide and the length is usually 10 yards. Please use cotton sheets only and not flannel, or dark colors. We will be collecting money as well for mailing and for domestic and international missions.



Shannon Hastings, White Cross Chair person for Grace Baptist Church

ONE HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

Remember, One Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected during the months of May and June. These funds are used for disaster relief, development projects, and refugee ministry. Grace's goal for this special offering is \$1,500. Please be in prayer as to how much God is leading you to give towards this mission.





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*All we do inside these
walls prepares us to do
God's work outside.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MAY

2 Deaconesses' Meeting

12 Bilingual Worship and Praise at Woodland Park

14 Collecting Food For Open Heart Food Pantry

15 Board Meeting

19 & 20 MUM's Food Distribution

19 Bridger's Harvest Share

20 Girlfriends' Birthday Lunch @ El Indio

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22 Articles For June Grace Notes Due In Office

25 Rest Stop Appreciation Dinner



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GOD'S VISION FOR GRACE BAPTIST

Making disciples of Christ, in a relational environment,
to share in God's mission to the world.