

Grace Notes

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Monthly Newsletter of Grace Baptist Church



Pastor Randy's Notes

This coming Sunday we will be having another combined worship celebration with Iglesia Visión Nueva. Many of you have commented these services have been a blessing to you.

I want to share another way God has blessed us through our relationship with Iglesia Visión Nueva. After a three year hiatus, Grace once again will be hosting a community BBQ for our neighbors. This would not be possible without Iglesia Visión Nueva. We stopped doing the BBQ's because of a lack of person power. We no longer had the number of people it takes to pull off this kind of event.

This year, with Grace supplying the financial resources, and Iglesia Visión Nueva supplying most of the human resources, we are able once again to put on this event which the community actually looks forward to.

I believe this is a sample of things to come as God brings our two congregations together in fellowship and ministry!

Ministry of Spiritual Life

This month I want to share with you two areas I will be focusing on as Lay Minister of Spiritual Life, and I hope to elaborate on them in the future. The first is a passion of mine I shared with you a couple of months ago—understanding and integrating those with disabilities, or differences, into the church body.

The second area is understanding what discipleship is and isn't, and the need we all have for discipleship. When we declare our faith in Christ and ask him to be our Savior, He begins changing us from the inside, helping us to understand His word. This change does not happen for only new believers. It's not something that happens after a "discipleship course." Submitting our entire selves to Christ (our desires, passions, emotions, mind and will) takes a lifetime. As disciples of Christ, the Holy Spirit is constantly showing us areas of our lives that need to be submitted to God. No one is exempt. Through the Holy Spirit, we are all lifetime learners. Therefore discipleship is a lifetime process. As God works in our lives, it's helpful to have someone come alongside of us as we're sorting things out and going through different seasons in our lives. I'm not sure how to bring this about, but I would appreciate your prayers and input.

I would like those of you who are involved in the weekly prayer groups to share with me what this prayer time has meant to you, if you are comfortable doing so. I would like to share your experiences with others in future newsletters, anonymously if you like.

The deaconesses met the second Tuesday of July with six women in attendance. They visited with those who are home bound and mailed cards. They coordinated and delivered meals to the Wise family when Marian was hospitalized. Deaconesses, we appreciate you so much as you represent the entire Grace family when you minister to those within our church body that are in need of encouragement. You are being Christ's hands and feet, and we are grateful to you.

Terri Becker, Lay Minister of Spiritual Life

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**AUGUST
COMMUNION
SERVERS:**

**Steve and Diana
Hiatt**

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

THINGS TO KNOW

OUR NEXT COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE WITH IGLESIA VISIÓN NUEVA will be Sunday, August 4 at 10:45. Come join us for an exciting time of worship.

JOINT LEADERSHIP MEETING with Iglesia Visión Nueva on Monday, August 5 at 7:00 pm.

WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY LUNCH WILL BE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 at 11:30 am at Heidi's (1230 NE Cleveland Ave., Gresham).

MEN'S BREAKFAST WILL BE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

NEIGHBOR 2 NEIGHBOR will be early this month because of the Community BBQ. We will be going back over to Bonnie's house on August 17. We will meet at the church at 8:45 am to go over our game plan and pray. We will arrive at Bonnie's about 9:00 am and work till about noon.

BOARD OF MINISTRIES meeting on Monday, August 19 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY will be Thursday, August 22 at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue our study of the book of Amos.

OUR COMMUNITY WORSHIP AND BBQ will be on Sunday, August 25. This year Iglesia Visión Nueva will be providing a lot of support for this event. Mark it on your calendar.

PLANS FOR OUR 2020 MISSION TRIP TO PUERTO RICO are continuing. A deposit of \$100 should have already been paid. See Carol Martin if you are planning to go and have not yet paid your deposit. Time is getting close for plane reservations to be made. Don't miss out on this opportunity.

REPLACEMENT OF ALL THE CHURCH'S WINDOWS will begin in late August, early September. Watch for the long-awaited transformation to take place.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Eph. 3:20-21)</p>						
4 COMMUNION 10:15 am Fellowship 10:45 am Combined Worship Celebration with Iglesia Visión Nueva	5 10:00 am Prayer Time 7:00 pm Joint Leadership Meeting with Iglesia Visión Nueva	6 11:00 am Deaconesses' Meeting	7 10:00 am Prayer Time	8 10:00 am Prayer Time 7:00 pm Walleye Club Meeting	9 7:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Bible Study	10 9:00 am Men's Breakfast in Fellowship Hall 11:30 am Women's Birthday Lunch at Heidi's 5:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Worship Rehearsal
11 9:30 am Worship Team Practice 10:15 am Fellowship 10:45 am Combined Worship Celebration with Iglesia Visión Nueva	12 10:00 am Prayer Time	13	14 10:00 am Prayer Time	15 10:00 am Prayer Time 11:00 am Shelving Food @ MUMC 12:00 pm Open Hearts Food Distribution Manned By Grace Baptist Church	16 10:30 am Bridger's Free Food Market 3:00 pm Open Hearts Food Distribution 7:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Bible Study	17 8:45 am Neighbor 2 Neighbor 9:00 am Open Hearts Food Distribution 5:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Worship Rehearsal
18 9:30 am Worship Team Practice 10:15 am Fellowship 10:45 am Worship Celebration- Terri Becker preaching	19 10:00 am Prayer Time 6:30 pm Board Meeting	20	21 10:00 am Prayer Time	22 10:30 am Bible Study and Lunch	23 7:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Bible Study	24 5:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Worship Rehearsal
25 10:00 am Outside Worship Celebration 11:00 am Community BBQ	26 10:00 am Prayer Time	27	28 10:00 am Prayer Time	29 10:00 am Prayer Time	30 7:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Bible Study	31 5:30 pm Iglesia Visión Nueva Worship Rehearsal

August Birthdays

2 Sybil Hart

18 Ruth Hendrickson

19 Shannon Hastings

Amy Danielson

24 Georgia Young

26 Dave Becker

29 Theresa Benson

30 Nancy Brazda





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4 Combined Worship Service with Iglesia Visión Nueva

10 Men's Breakfast

10 Women's Birthday Lunch

15-17 Open Hearts Food Pantry

17 Neighbor 2 Neighbor

19 Board Meeting

22 Bible Study and Lunch

25 Community BBQ

30 Bridger Free Food Market

30 Family Camp Begins at Arrah Wana

GOD'S VISION FOR GRACE BAPTIST

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