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To protect people's privacy private phone numbers, addresses, birthdays and anniversaries have been removed from the online version of Grace News. If you need to contact the leader for any group feel free to contact the Church Office.

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Upcoming Events

- June 3 Wiegand Commissioning
Wiegand Send-off Lunch
- June 10 Youth Sunday
- June 17 Short Term Missions
Commissioning
- June 17 Prayer and Song Night
- June 24 Communion
- June 24 Church Picnic & Baptism
- July 15 Prayer and Song Night

Full Calendar at Gracebfc.org

Kids Community Carnival

August 22
6 - 8 PM

- Food
- Games
- Inflatables
- And much more

There will be areas for Pre-school and Elementary aged children. Help will be needed to run the event. Sign-ups in late June or see the July Grace News for more details. Contact Jaye Norquist or Ashlee Martino



Grace News - June 2018

Monthly Newsletter of Grace Bible Fellowship Church, Wallingford, PA

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NEW Sermon Series

EXODUS 32-34

EXCHANGING THE GLORY OF GOD

MAY/JUNE 2018

SUNDAY MORNINGS - 9:00 AM



Coffee and Conversation—in the Gym after Worship
Sunday Bible Classes for all Ages—10:45am—Noon
Adult Classes: This We Believe, Gospel Project, Men’s Class, Ladies Class, and Consider the Sermon

Gospel Project

Date	Children	Youth and Adults
May 27	22.1 Parable of the Sower	8.1 The Sower and the Soils
June 3	22.2 The Unmerciful Servant	8.2/ 8.3 Unmerciful Servant/ Good Samaritan
June 10	22.3 The Good Samaritan	8.4 Father of Two Lost Sons
June 17	22.4 Three Parables	8.5/ 8.6 Pharisee and Tax Collector/ Wicked Tenants
June 25	Church Picnic	

July / August Classes

Month of July - Extended Fellowship Time

Once again for the month of July we are going to cancel all of our Children, Teen and Adult Bible Classes, and instead follow each worship service with an extended time for coffee and fellowship in the gym and fireplace room. This will give our regular Bible teachers a break as well as giving each of you a chance to spend some extended time with others in the church. Whether you take this time to talk in the church building, or use it as an opportunity to invite some others over for a meal, or to go on an outing with others, we encourage you to use this time for these 5 Sundays to catch up with, encourage and challenge others in the church and in your community.

Month of August - Video Classes for Adults

For the month of July, the Adults will have several video-based classes to choose from. In early June, we will have a survey available to help us select topics.

The Pennsylvania Mission Church Planters and One New Mission Church

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." —Acts 1:8. That’s exactly what happened on Pentecost. The Holy Spirit came with an explosive, transforming, power described as a “mighty rushing wind.” Just a few weeks earlier, Peter couldn’t stand up as a follower of Jesus but when the Holy Spirit came, that power changed Peter. He stood up in front of crowds of people “from every nation under heaven” (Acts 2:5) and spoke boldly of Jesus Christ. Over 3000 people “were added to their number on that day.” (Acts 2:41). This was the beginning of the church. The power of the Holy Spirit is available today to help us as we boldly proclaim Christ. Church Extension Ministries exists to plant churches to build the Body of Christ. Pray with us today that our church planters will go boldly with that power.

Steve Diaz Lighthouse BFC South Allentown, PA **Joshua Dupiche** Covenant Hill Church Philadelphia, PA **John Hanner** BFC of Adams County Gettysburg, PA **Barry Parsons** Harvest Fellowship Church Colebrookdale, PA **Ben Triestman** Orchard Hills Church Upper Macungie, PA **Scott Wright** Redeemer BFC Lower Providence Twp., PA **Tim Zuck** Forks Community Church Forks Township, PA **Phil Ruiz** City Church Refuge Milford, DE

BFC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

A time of rejoicing At BFC Conference (week of April 22) two church bodies moved from being a mission church—the church planting phase of development—to gain the BFC title of Particular Church. This is always cause for rejoicing in God’s work! Let us join with the congregation of La Roca de Reading/The Rock of Reading and **Pastor Carlos Rodriguez** in thanking the Lord for His work. This family of believers meets at Grace BFC in Reading. At the recent BFC Conference, Northern Lehigh BFC was also recognized as a Particular Church. **Pastor Aaron Smith** provides leadership for this growing body of believers. Thank the Lord for this new church!

Philly Region Church Planters

Brad and Vicki Boyer

Cape Community Church - Cape May Courthouse, NJ

Josh and Juli Dupiche

Partnering with Snyder Avenue Congregational Church (SAAC) to plant a BFC Church in South Philadelphia , PA

Woolwich Township New Jersey

We are praying for God to raise up a BFC church planter to go to Woolwich Township, NJ. One man is currently interviewing, pray for God’s clear direction .



Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child sent over 11 million shoe-box gifts to over 100 countries in 2017! **Thank you for helping us pack over 300 shoeboxes last year.** So many needy children have received our gifts of school supplies, hygiene products and toys! Because of your generous support, children living in some of the darkest places in the world have learned that someone cares about them, God loves them, and they are not forgotten.

Several ladies are helping sew feminine hygiene kits for the boxes of the older girls. It is not too late to get involved. Please call Janet Letsche if you would like to help . We will be needing at least **100 bars of the small hotel sized soaps** to include in these kits. Please keep us in mind as you travel this summer and don’t leave those small unused soaps behind.

During June and July our emphasis will be fun items for the 5 to 9 age group. Please check the chart on the Missions Board for info on items collected to date. **Contact: Sue Yavor or Janet Letsche**



**Church Extension
Ministries**
of the Bible Fellowship Church

Pray for our Church Planters!
churchplantingbfc.com

Leaders & Staff

It Happened in Seventy Years This year marks the 70th anniversary of BFC Church Extension Ministries. Starting today and concluding on Pentecost Sunday, informative CEM bulletin inserts will help you know how to pray about this ministry. We fervently ask that together you pray for CEM. Today please pray individually and corporately for **Director David E. Gundrum** as he leads this ministry in the power of the Holy Spirit. CHURCH EXTENSION MINISTRIES PO Box753, Whitehall, PA 18052 office@churchplantingbfc.org 610-769-4337

CHURCH PLANTERS

There are three states in which only one mission church is located. Pray for: Naples, Florida - Covenant Bible Fellowship – Church Planter **Jason Filbert**. Pray that a newly rented meeting place will result in greater visibility and increased community contacts. Also pray that the Lord will send several helpers to provide encouragement and assistance. Chestertown, Maryland - Grace Community, BFC -Church Planter **James Reff**. Pray for church body growth in unity of spirit, boldness in evangelism and passion for discipleship. Cape May Court House, New Jersey – Cape May Community BFC - Church Planter **Brad Boyer**. Thank the Lord for help offered by BFC sister churches. Pray for continued spiritual and numerical growth. BFC HISPANIC CHURCH PLANTING Information and prayer requests Five ordained men minister in the BFC. There are three Hispanic church plants and one Hispanic BFC in Merida, Mexico. **Stephen Diaz** is the Church Planter at Lighthouse BFC, El Faro, in Allentown. Pray for summer outreach programs, especially Light in the Park held in August. Also pray for wisdom regarding a meeting place for church ministry. **Freddy Chi Chuc** - Church Planter at La Roca de Villa Magna in Merida, Mexico. Pray for Freddy, his family, and the Bible study group as it meets regularly. Marcos Ramirez is Director of Church Planting in Mexico. Pray for God-given wisdom as he seeks to establish churches. Pray for the outreach ministry in Lancaster City, sixth ward, and for **Juan Carlos Morales (Los)** as he anticipates church planting in Lancaster. Workers are needed! **Elliot Ramos** is Hispanic Ministry Liaison responsible for the work of training BFC Hispanic church planters and planting Hispanic churches. Pray for the Lord's direction in this vital ministry.

CHURCH PLANTER'S WIVES

Thank you for the position you have given to Pastor's all around the world. Thank you for their wives, who support them, love them, and serve them. I pray that you would strengthen their marriages every day. May your Holy Spirit empower her to continue sowing, to continue doing good. Bless her Lord. Equip her to do your will. I pray against any temptation that would come to tear her down or hold her in bondage. I pray against the schemes of the enemy and I pray against his attack on marriage. May you send people to encourage her today and every day. Remind her daily of her value and the love you have for her. Reveal to her the purpose for why she is where she is. Refine her and fill her with your wisdom. May your peace and joy abound in her heart in Jesus name

Vicki Boyer Cape Community Church Cape May Court House, NJ **Nury Chi** La Roca de Villa Magna, Yucatán, Mexico **Angelica Diaz** Lighthouse (El Faro) BFC Allentown, PA **Juliann Dupiche** Covenant Hill BFC Philadelphia, PA **Anna Filbert** Covenant BFC Naples, FL **Mindy Reff** Grace BFC Chestertown, MD **Lisa Hanner** BFC of Adams County Gettysburg, PA **Sharon Parsons** Harvest Fellowship Colebrookdale, PA **Alejandra Rodriguez** La Roca de Reading Reading, PA **Kathy Triestman** Orchard Hill Church Upper Macungie, PA **Michelle Wright** Redeemer BFC Lower Providence Twp, PA **Tori Zuck** Forks Community Church Forks Twp, PA



**Childcare help needed for
Summer NA Meetings
on Friday Nights**

Contact Maggie Henry
magsreds@msn.com



**Grace Picnic 2018
Sunday, June 24**

Time to celebrate!

Celebrate the end of a long harsh winter, And multiple nor'easters,
Celebrate summer and the end of the school year,
But most of all, celebrate each other.

We're talking about the annual
Grace picnic and pool party.
YES --- POOL PARTY!

Please note, we have changed locations. This year our picnic will be held at the beautiful Garretts Way in Newtown Square. (address below)

The time has also changed. We will begin as usual immediately after church, but it will be an all day event continuing until 5-ish. The pool will be open for a 3 hour window; between 1 and 4 o'clock. Remember, there is a pool, so make sure you pack towels and a change of clothes.

Lawn chairs and your favorite lawn games are optional. Other activities at GW include hiking, bike riding, a gaga pit and play grounds.

WE PROVIDE: Hot dogs (and all the fixins), chips, our famous baked beans, (regular and meat lovers), drinks, and of course – **WATER ICE!!!**

YOU PROVIDE: Summer sides, salads and desserts (should feed 10)

Garretts Way, 395 Bishop Hollow Rd, Newtown Square, PA 19073

[maps available in the lobby as time nears]

Sunday, June 24, 2018

Approx. 11:30 – 5:00

Sending Out the Wiegands

Commissioning Service and Luncheon Sunday, June 3

Commissioning: Join us for our 9am Worship Service on Sunday, June 3 as we will be having a commissioning service for Mike, Beth, Emma and Caleb. We will hear from them about their new ministry and pray for their family as they head out to Montana to work with the special needs population. Beth will serve with BCM International, Mike will work as a traveling physical therapist, and the entire family will help with Camp Promise and other ministry throughout the area.



Send-Off Luncheon: Everyone is welcome to a luncheon in honor of the Wiegands at noon in the church gym (immediately after Bible Class). There will be food followed by a short program that will include a time for the family to give a larger presentation of their ministry and personal prayer requests. There will also be a table with note cards to leave notes of encouragement for the family as they go.

It will help us to plan if you can sign-up for the luncheon in advance, either in the church lobby or online at gracebfc.org

Supporting The Wiegands and Jessica Bromley

PRAY – Sign up to get their regular prayer letters using response cards in the lobby or talk to them directly

Give – Pick up an envelope with their name on it in the lobby for details or talk to them directly

Encourage – Write an encouraging note before they leave and place it in the box in the lobby or email them anytime!

Special BFC Camp Events

Victory Valley Dining Hall Dedication - Sunday, June 10 at 6:30pm

YOU are invited to join in a dedication ceremony for the new Dining Hall and Kitchen at Victory Valley Children's Camp. 7352 Salem Bible Church Road, Zionsville, Pa. 18092
RSVP to info@victoryvalleycamp.org or 610-966-5880 by June 4.

Pinebrook 50th Anniversary Celebration - Saturday, June 30 from 1-9pm

Join in the Celebration of the 50th year of Pinebrook as a BFC Conference and Retreat Center! There will be games, pony rides, hayrides, volleyball tournament and more. Pool is open 1-4:30. Concerts by Straight Street (Harry Grambrill's band) and The King's Army. Lots of good food both in the snack shop all day and in the dining hall for dinner. The celebration ends with fireworks at 9:00. All are FREE! There will be a give-away drawing for a \$20 or greater donation. Pinebrook Bible Conference, 5339 Pinebrook Road, E. Stroudsburg, PA 18301. 800-806-5501. pinbrook.org

** If you want to get a taste of Pinebrook stay for the week, Pastor Aaron is leading worship and several Grace families will be there June 30– July 6. Or just come up for a day to visit and enjoy the Poconos!

The God of the Ordinary

by Pastor Richard Taylor

I am not suggesting that God is ordinary but that He is the God of the ordinary. I find that I am to share prayer requests on a regular basis. It may be a problem of my making but I feel like I am supposed to talk about some crisis I am facing or turning point in what I am doing that will insure success or failure. In fact, very rarely do I meet such events. In reality, my life is very, well, ordinary - yes, ordinary and routine. I guess the fact that I am not a person who thrives on unexpected events or needs to face make or break situations on a daily basis may contribute to my ordinary lifestyle. But, it does make me feel that people may think I am somehow not as engaged in life or ministry as I should be when I am hard put to come up with a list of prayer requests which make it sound like my life is extraordinary.

I do know God is God of the extraordinary. I have experienced how He has intervened to change events in response to prayer. I know He can and does do miracles. But I also know He is the God who is sovereign in all things which includes what goes on in an ordinary life. When people ask me for prayer requests, I sometimes ask them to pray for my daily bread. Jesus did say we are to pray for daily bread. That is pretty ordinary in my opinion. The reason why I have daily bread every day is because God ordinarily provides it. I know that not everyone has daily bread every day but, when they don't, they are facing an extraordinary situation. If I did not know how I was going to meet my expenses this month or were facing a life threatening circumstance, you can be sure I would be praying in an extraordinary way and asking for others to pray for me.

What I know in my ordinary life is that God has blessed and gives me everything I need and a lot of things I don't need. I know I can count on Him because Jesus is my savior. This means I can assume that the things I ordinarily have are given because He is gracious and kind to me. Not for a moment do I believe that I deserve such a great ordinary life because of who I am or what I do.

What the God of the ordinary deserves is my constant and consistent gratitude. One of the dangers of living an ordinary life is taking the ordinary blessings for granted. So, on a regular basis I thank my gracious God for good health, a great wife and family, safe trips, a comfortable home and a great church. And, I try not to grumble when some extraordinary event crashes in to disrupt my ordinary life. I know that the God of the ordinary is also the God of the extraordinary.

GRACE FAMILY

Marriage – Congratulations to Casi Cutler and Isaac Hoyle married May 5

Special Anniversary – Wishing Jack and Joyce Bromley a Happy 60th wedding anniversary!! June 7

Baby Dedication – Ava Ruth Piasecki

New Babies – Bekah (Piasecki) & Drew Kingman—A boy born May 9, 2018 - Asher Steven
Brienne (Brennan) & Nate Bates - A boy born May 23, 2018 - Cullen



High School Graduates:

Ethan Belville	Tyler Kulp
Justin Bromley	Andrew McManiman
Haley Gambrell	Ben Roach
Aiden Hoback	Jacquie Sammel
Joy El Kessler	Sam Shields
Tai Kessler	

College Graduates:

Elizabeth Brennan – Eastern University
Samantha Brennan – Eastern University
Jessica Bromley – Eastern University
Emily Bronkema – University of Cincinnati
Abby Henry – Delaware County Community College
Jake Lawton – University of Delaware



Youth Events

**Dorney Park trip
for all teens on
Wednesday
July 18th**

Baptism Application

Any teen who is considering baptism should pick up a form from Fuzzy or Pastor Aaron (forms were also emailed to parents). If you are interested in being considered for baptism at the church picnic on June 24 we need the application by June 6. See any Youth Leader or Pastor Aaron with questions.

See Youth Ministry page on church website,
Contact: gbfcyouth1@gmail.com



Summer 2018

Summer Classes: Children's church will continue to meet throughout the summer. We will be traveling around the world to discover how the Gospel has impacted people from many nations. Nursery and Pre-school will continue during Worship. No 10:45 Sunday school classes will meet in the month of July.

Victory Valley: Many children from Grace will be attending "Cabin Camp" during their last week, August 5-11. (See Fuzzy for brochures as well as info on scholarships: dphillips@gracebfc.org)

You can contact Fuzzy at dphillips@gracebfc.org

JESS TO MEX!

Prayer Requests

Housing - Housing plans would be solidified.

Training - That the Lord would continue to grow me as a teacher, and prepare me to go into the missions field to spread His gospel.

Family - Peace with me leaving and comfort knowing that the Lord is protecting me.

School - There are some changes happening in the Mexican education system, which is creating some uncertainty in the training requirements of the schools native teachers. Pray for these changes to be solidified, so the school can continue to prepare for next school year.

Support Needs

Monthly donors - People to give every month.

One time gifts - These donations will go towards my start up costs for getting to Mexico City (plane ticket, shipping items, etc.)

School website

If you want to learn more about the school and their misión.go to their website:

bridgewaymexico.com

Train a child up in the way that he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.
~ Proverbs 22:6



Imagine entering into college planning on being a high school Spanish teacher, only to realize in your final semester while student teaching that you were not cut out to teach high school. For some, they might be completely terrified (more than the usual college senior) of what the next step of their life would be. Thankfully, when this happened to me the Lord gave me a great peace, because He had been preparing me for this change of plans far before I wanted or expected them to change. Through this preparation, He equipped me to listen and respond to His calling to teach 3rd and 4th grade in Mexico City, Mexico at

Bridgeway Academy. Bridgeway Academy is a bilingual Christian school, and it accepts as many students

as it can at the beginning of the school year no matter the students background. At Bridgeway, I will be using my training in elementary ESL to teach 3rd and 4th grade. I will split my day between the two classes, and while my students are not receiving instruction from me in English, they will be receiving instruction from another native Mexican teacher in Spanish. I will also be required to incorporate the Bible into my lessons everyday however I see fit. The vision of the school is that through this bilingual Christian education the students will hear and understand the gospel, and then go home and share what they learned with their families, friends, neighbors, and maybe even the clerk at the panadería. I have committed to teach at this school for 2 years starting this August and will be going through the organization TeachBeyond. I will leave at the beginning of August to move down to Mexico and receive some cultural and teacher training. Before I go though, I must raise all of my start up cost, as well as 90% of my monthly support. If you feel lead to partner with me in this mission to bring the gospel to the children of Mexico, there are two ways to give. There is an online option where you can give: <https://give.teachbeyond.org/support/jessica-bromley/>. Or, you can grab an envelope in the lobby which has a paper inside with directions for giving through mail.



Learn Spanish!
Gospel - evangelio (eh-ban-hay-leo)
Jesus - Jesús (hay-zeus)

Summer Missionaries and Missions Teams

Camp Promise June 26-30 and July 3-7

Team Members: Maggie Henry and Haley Kulp (2 weeks)

Big Sky Bible Camp: Lily Henry, Paige Lawton and Jake Lawton (entire summer)

Handi-Camp Canada July 28- Aug. 4

Team Members: Mike and Angela Kraemer along with Lia and Joey and Debbie Wilt

Summer Camp Staff

Victory Valley: Joy El Kessler

CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship): Justin Gambrell

Grace BFC Local Work Team / Outreach Team

OPEN TO EVERYONE! We are in the process of planning for a week long summer work project. We will likely have some days in Cape May Courthouse, NJ and some in South Philly. This year it will be at the end of July, the **week of July 23-27**. Our projects are designed to get everyone involved, skilled and unskilled, children and adults of all ages. You can come for one day or several. There will be carpools from Grace. To get more details as they become available contact Pastor Mark at mbickel@gracebfc.org or 484-788-9026.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

To support any of the individuals going out this summer, or any of our teams as a whole, simply place a check made out to Grace BFC or cash into any envelope, include a note as to who you would like your support to help, and mark the envelope "Short Term Missions" then place in any offering plate or give to Sam Shiels. (note: please do not write individual's names on the check)

Notes of Encouragement

You can write notes of encouragement to anyone on our teams, to any of our teams as a whole, or to any missionary, and put it in the Notes box in the lobby and we will get it to them.

5 DAYS OF FUN!

WOOHOO!

FOR AGES 5-12!

BIBLE LESSONS

MEMORY VERSES

SONGS

WHAT HAPPENS AT A 5-DAY CLUB?

FUN ACTIVITIES

PRIZES

GREAT GAMES

NOTE TO PARENTS:

Your child is invited to attend a fun club for boys and girls ages 5 to 12! 5-Day Club® meets for 90 minutes every day for five days. Clubs are sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship®, a Bible-centered ministry serving in every region of the world. All teachers and helpers have been trained and screened to ensure your child's protection. Parents are welcome to attend.

FREE!

July 2-6, 10:00-11:30 AM
Folcroft – Batdorf - billbatdorf@gmail.com

July 2-6, 1:00-2:30 PM
Boothwyn - Harper - nharper98@gmail.com

July 16-20, 6:30-8:00 PM
Wallingford(NPE) - Kraemer -Msk0301@gmail.com

July 16-20, 6:30-8:00 PM
Wallingford(WES) – Bach - audra10@yahoo.com

July 23-27, 6:30-8:00 PM
Wallingford(NPE)-Kambic-mckambic@yahoo.com

Get address and additional information from Host or Grace BFC at (610) 876-8725 or email info@gracebfc.org. You can help us plan by letting church or host know you are coming.