

"Helping people find and fulfill God's purpose for their lives"



# When Life is Difficult...

Matthew 2:13-23

Rick Hale Senior Pastor

December 24, 2017

....Merry Christmas Anyway!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

TODAY Christmas Eve Candlelight Services at 4:30pm & 6:00pm

**MONDAY** Office Closed **TUESDAY** Office Closed

Men's Prayer Group - not meeting this week

Reflections & Recovery 12 Step Program - not meeting this week

Center Martial Arts: All Ages - not meeting this week

WEDNESDAY Coffee & Conversation @ 8:00am (Café Grace) Volunteer Central @ 11:15am (Room 103) THURSDAY

Noon Bible Study - not meeting this week Praying Moms - not meeting this week

Center Martial Arts: All Ages - not meeting this week

Office closes at noon - New Year's Eve holiday observed FRIDAY

December 31 Harvest Ministries 5th Sunday Food Drive

January 4, 2018 Financial Peace University-Gass @ 6:00pm (Room 105) January 8, 2018 Financial Peace University-Lynch @ 6:00pm (Room 105)

January 14, 2018 Class 101: Discovering Membership @ 5:00pm (Student Building)



Sun. (Dec 24) at 4:30 & 6:00 pm



Coffee & Conversation: Make sure to join us for coffee, donuts and bagels on Wednesdays, from 8-9am in Café Grace! Anyone is welcome to join us!



5th Sunday Food Drive: Our 5th Sunday Food Drive will be next Sunday, December 31. Harvest Ministries is in need of any non-perishable food items you are able to

donate from the list below. You can always take donations to their location at 601 N. Main.

- Ramen Noodles
- Cereal
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned meats, vegetables, beans & fruit
- Oats

#### **Pastoral Staff**

Rick Hale, Senior Lendell Nolan, Executive Sean Lee, Connection (101) Kevin Price, Growth (201) Barry Anderson, Equip (301) Pray for Jerry's Visa, Missions (401) | Chris VanDyke, Student

Kenny Lewis, Worship (501) Alan Gedde, Children

#### Read Ahead

A New Year begins next week. How would you describe the condition of your attitude as you prepare for 2018? Could it use a little improvement? Join us next Sunday when we will examine three short Biblical challenges designed to give us an attitude adjustment for the year ahead. The message is entitled "How to Treat Life When Life Mistreats You." You can get a jump-start by reading I Thessalonians 5:16-18.

First Aid. CPR and A.E.D. Certification Class: Grace is offering this class on Saturday, January 6, from 8:00am-Noon. It is open to all Grace members and regular attenders. It is highly recommended for all Safety Team members, ushers, greeters, children and student workers. The cost is \$25 per person. Contact the office to RSVP.





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### SUNDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Infants-1 year: Rooms 202, 204 **Age 2-K:** Rooms 201, 203, 205

**Lesson**: This week your child will hear the

story of Jesus birth.

## SUNDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

MCM Grades 1-4: Room 215 Lesson: The Savior was born in Bethlehem.

> This Week's Memory Verse: Luke 2:11

> > MERGE (5th & 6th grade): Sundays @ 10:45am Student Building



# MID-HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Sundays: Assimilate (7th-9th grade)

\*Resumes Januaru 7

Wednesdays (7th-12th grade):

\*Resumes January 10

Young Adults: 18-25 MINISTRY

\*Resumes Januaru 11

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Offering Totals

General S Building \$ H.O.P.E. S

25,458,68 | 1.808.08 7.042.00 | Total

Missions Other

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1,202,63 782.00 36,293,39 Attendance

Year to Date:

129

47

Adults: 782 Children: 162 Total: 944

Members: Baptisms:

#### Communion Instructions

You do not have to be a member of Grace to participate in communion. All Christians are invited to come forward, row by row, to participate. Simply take a wafer, dip it into the cup and partake. If you prefer being served in your chair, raise your hand at the conclusion of communion, and the servers will come to you. If you are not taking communion today, just remain in your chair.

**Prayer Teams** are available at the exits during communion if you would like someone to pray with you.



Einancial Peace University: This life-changing program is designed to teach you how to make the

right money decisions to achieve your financial goals and experience a total money makeover. We have two new 9-week sessions beginning in January and the cost is \$90. Childcare is available with advance registration. Sign-up on your connection card today and let us know which class you'd like to join:

- Thursday, January 4 at 6:00pm facilitated by Kurt Gass
- Monday, January 8 at 6:00pm facilitated by Ron & Adelle Lynch

<u>DivorceCare and DivorceCare for Kids</u>: These support groups are designed for adults and children that are dealing with separation or divorce. DC4K is for kids ages 5-12. Both groups will begin meeting Wednesday,



January 10, from 6-8pm, in rooms 101-102. For more info, contact the Ministry Office at 623.5438.

Class 101: Discovering Membership. January 14 at 5pm: If you've been wondering what makes Grace tick, what our strategy and values are or are just curious-then this class is just for you! You can sign-up on your connection card today. The class will be held in the Student Building and dinner and childcare are provided.

<u>Grace Resources</u>: Stop by Grace Resources today for your holiday shopping! We have many handmade cards from *Braithwaite House*, children's Bible books, as well as Pastor Rick's book, *Living Your Dash*, on sale for \$5 this month. *Grace Resources is located in the East hallway*.













