

GRACE NOTES



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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

Karen Worship 2:00 p.m.

**“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”
Ephesians 2:8 NRSV**

A Call To Prayer

In 1952 President Harry Truman signed a bill into law, making the National Day of Prayer an annual event on the first Thursday of May, encouraging millions across our nation to unite together to pray. We've come a long way since that day.

And now, more than ever, maybe we need **more** than a National Day of Prayer, however great and needed that is. **Maybe we need days of prayer**, hearts that are continually shaped and changed by prayer, lives that are loving and bold because of prayer, a nation that comes back to our God with a spirit of prayer, that is continually asking for His grace and healing.

Sometimes it's hard to know where to begin or how to pray. We just know we have a deep ache in our hearts that cries out for God's mercy, and a longing to see Him heal our land. And maybe other times we wonder how effective our prayers even are. Yet God is faithful, no matter how we feel, and over all that swirls around us in our nation today

That same power that broke prison chains raised Lazarus from the dead, and parted the Red Sea, the same power that healed the blind man, and delivered the delirious from demons, that same power is at work still today.

He is the same, Yesterday, Today, and Forever.

May we stand together and pray for God to heal our land, and strengthen His people. May we pray for all those in authority. May we pray for God's miraculous intervening, for blind eyes to be opened, for many to see the power of our Lord as never before.

And for times when it's difficult to know even what to pray, we can trust these words as a place to begin, *“The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.” Romans 8:26*

We are never left to fend for ourselves, wrestling in worry, consumed with fear, or driven towards hate. He reminds us He is with us, he will help us, that He hasn't lost control, but has a plan. And His purposes will prevail.

He hears our prayers, He knows our needs. There's great power in uniting together, turning our hearts towards God, and praying on behalf of our nation. The Lord tells us, “If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sin and I will heal their land.” This call to prayer is not just for a handful of dedicated praying people in the corner of the church, or in a prayer group. This call to pray is for every man, woman, and child. It is for every church. God's Word: “My Father's house shall be a house of prayer.” For every Christian and Jew, “All people everywhere shall pray.”

Remembering today this powerful truth upon which this nation was founded. We are “One Nation Under God.” He is where our real hope is found, not in our leaders, not in our economy, not in the condition of our nation today, or any other day. *“...my hope comes from Him.” Psalm 62:5* If you care about the freedoms we celebrate today.....make time to vote.

Written by Debbie McDaniel

Submitted by Marylou Reiter

	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp	Total
Budget	2,309.68	269.24	288.46	2,867.38
07/10/16	3,118.65	366.90	183.45	3,669.00
07/17/16	1,555.93	183.05	91.52	1,830.50

ATTENDANCE				
	S.S.	SUNDAY SERVANTS	WORSHIP	
07/10/16	30	-	54	English
07/10/16	-	-	-	Karen
Total	30	-	54	
07/17/16	30	3	63	English
07/17/16	-	-	-	Karen
Total	30	3	63	

Openers/ Closers	July 24 Marty Turnage	July 31 Donna Pyle
Greeters	July 24 Bill & Marty Turnage	July 31 Don & Donna Pyle
Visitors	July 24 Bill & Marty Turnage	July 31 Don & Donna Pyle
Cleaners	July 24 Karen	July 31 Roger & Sandi McKee

PRAYER CONCERNS



HEALTH

Nancy A.
Breena
Mildred B.
Kenzie B.
Cindy
Randi C. (Amber S. Friend)
Bev D. (Barb L. Friend)
Troy D.
Peggy D. Brother-in-Law
Gardner Family (Day Care)
Charlotte H.
Howard (John A. Friend)

Vic H. (Vangie W. Brother)
Sam & Margie H.
Roxie J. Mother
Eloise Mills
Darlene M. Family (Ed L. Sister)
Terry O.
Sylvia
Carol Ann S.
Sam & Ruth S.
Ron S.
Ruth S.
Sylvia

OTHER

American Voters
Bethel Building Renovations
Children's Sunday School
Christian University in NE India
Carolyn C. & Lori H.
Katilyn D. (Personal)
Troy D. (Bereavement)
Family Promise & Families
Mike & Carl G. (Personal)
Japan & Ecuador (Earthquake)
Jerri K.
National Conflicts

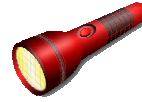
National Leaders
Nominating Committee
New Church Members
Olympics
Our School Systems
Search Committee
Troy (Personal/Jean T. Brother)
Turkey
Venezuela
World Conflicts
Youth Fast (July 20)
Our Missionaries-Baits-Buttry-
Longkumer-Ngwemi

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			20 9:00a Prayer Circle	21	22	23 3-5p Karen
				21-24 ABW National Conf./Washington, DC		
24 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship/Rev. Greg Gleason 2:00p Karen Worship	25	26 Secretary Off	27 9:00a Prayer Circle 5:30p Dinner 6:15p Call to Prayer	28	29	30 3-5p Karen Youth
31 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship/ Dave Davis 2:00p Karen Worship 4:00-6:00p Annual Summer Concert				Receiving the ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING	ABWM Bible Book James	Food Pantry Bar Soap



COMING ON JULY 31st, 2016 - - Our **ANNUAL SUMMER CONCERT** from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Mark your calendar! For more

information contact Dave or Roxie Jones **We also need bottled water.** If you can supply some, bring to church and put in the Parables Classroom. Thanks!



ITEMS FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD FOR JULY: Accessory items for all children like sunglasses, solar powered calculators and flashlights with extra batteries.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
AUGUST	1	2 Secretary Off 6:30p Search Committee 7p Day Care Committee	3 9:00a Prayer Circle 12:45p Day Care Staff Meeting	4	5 6p Carpet Cleaning	6 3:00-5:00p Karen Youth	
	7 Communion 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship/ Dave Davis 2:00p Karen Worship	8	9 Secretary Off 6:30p Search Committee 7p Priscilla Circle	10 9:00a Prayer Circle	11	12	13 Youth Fast 3:00-5:00p Karen Youth
	14 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship 2:00p Karen Worship	15 Noon Grace Notes Deadline	16 Secretary Off 8:30a Clothes Closet 6:30p Search Committee	17 9:00a Prayer Circle	18	19	20 3:00-5:00p Karen Youth
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	28 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship ABW Board Meeting 2:00p Karen Worship	29 Noon Grace Notes Deadline	30 Secretary Off 6:30p Search Committee	31 9:00a Prayer Circle 5:30p Dinner 6:15p Bible Study	ABW BIBLE BOOK Deuteronomy	FOOD PANTRY: Canned Tomatoes	

BIRTHDAYS

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|-------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 6 Mike Reiter | 15 Glen Dixon | 23 John Ashworth |
| 7 Fred Villanueva | 15 Charity | 28 Ruth Smith |
| 8 Than Zaw | 21 Pree Htoo | 29 Rae Pae Loe |
| 8 Thoo Lei Paw | 22 Clint Cook | 30 Sar Paw |
| 12 Elaine Mills | | |



ANNIVERSARIES

- 15 Mike & Marylou Reiter
23 Brad & Judy Summers

GRACE BAPTIST WELCOMES REV. GREG GLEASON SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016

I am semi-retired from pastoral ministry and currently drive a bus for the North Kansas City School District. My wife, Linda, is retired from North Kansas City Schools as a principal. I have two sons and two adorable grandsons, Tate and Hayes Thomas. My wife and I reside in Kearney, Missouri.



We are receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during July. All of us have the power to give back to God from that which

God has given us, and in doing so, create a more just world for all of God's children. Through One Great Hour of Sharing we embrace refugees around the world as our own. We say "where you go we will go". This offering places us side by side with those in need. It offers us the opportunity to be Ruth for the Naomi's of the world. Through our gifts, we can help ensure that all of God's children have what they need. Together, we accompany the refugee and stand in solidarity with the distressed, bringing about the world as God intended. Thank you for prayerfully considering your gift to this offering.

Our Goal: \$1,000.00 Received to Date: \$228.00

FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES!

Kids Fest

Saturday, July 23 2016
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Activities for the whole family and a FREE bag filled with school supplies for youth in grades K-8

While supplies last

Children must be present to receive supplies.

Featuring:

- Animal visitors from the Zoomobile
- Face Painters
- Equipment Displays from KCFD, KCPD & Missouri State Highway Patrol
- Child ID from Clay County Sheriff
- Health & Safety Service Information & More

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