

# 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**

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## “Keeping Your Cool in the Eye of the Storm”

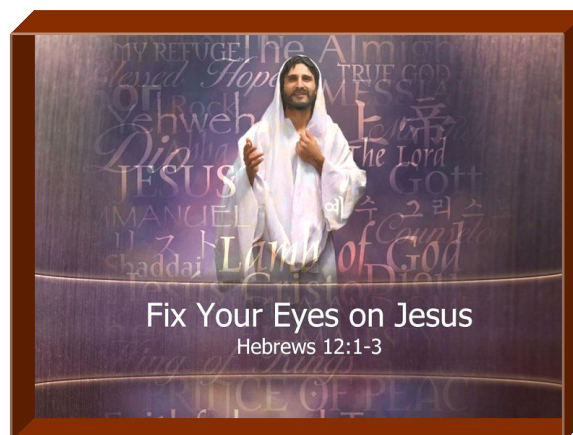
While driving home recently, I heard the In the Eye of the Storm by Ryan Stevenson. It triggered me to Google the lyrics and they are powerful. “In the middle of a war, you guard my soul...You alone are the anchor, when my sails are torn...Your love surrounds me in the eye of the storm”... Jesus was asleep in the boat while He and the disciples were traveling on the stormy sea. The disciples became concerned with the waves and the wind and the furor of the storm. They became upset that He slept while they worried. Jesus asked them, “why are you afraid?” and then he “rebuked the sea and the winds calmed. (Matthew 8: 24-26)

In a devotional by the same title, the writer observed that hurricanes are whirling storms that can measure several hundred miles in diameter. Those winds can be moving at various rates of speed up to and exceeding 150 miles per hour. In fact the speed determines the Level of the storm. In the center of the (eye) storm there is calm. The eye of the storm is tranquil and peaceful.

Sometimes our thoughts are “whirling winds” and it feels like the waves will overcome us. If we don't change our thoughts, worries, anguish, we will only become more distraught. The Apostle Paul reminds us to keep the bad stuff out by keeping the good stuff in. Let's cultivate lists of our blessings. “Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there be any excellence, if there is anything worthy or praise, think about these things.” (Philippians 4:8)

An old hymn reminds us to “keep your eyes upon Jesus and look full in his wonderful face...the things of this world will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace. Oh soul are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see... There's light for a look of the Savior and life more abundant and free.” If you change your thoughts, you change yourself. You can keep your cool during the storm by keeping your eye on Him.

Vangie Webb



	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp	Total
Budget	2,309.68	269.24	288.46	2,867.38
09/04/16	2,625.65	308.90	154.45	3,089.00
09/11/16	1,680.45	197.70	98.85	1,977.00

Openers/ Closers	September 18 Nancy Ashworth	September 25 Peggy Dunn
Greeters	September 18 Judy Summers & Pat Kirk	September 25 Jackie Villanueva & Roxie Jones
Visitors	September 18 John & Nancy Ashworth	September 25 Dave & Roxie Jones
Cleaners	September 18 Karen	September 25 Linda Biancavilla & Lori Hill

ATTENDANCE				
	S.S.	SUNDAY SERVANTS	WORSHIP	
09/04/16	42	-	59	English
09/04/16	-	-	-	Karen
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59</b>	
09/11/16	24	-	62	English
09/11/16	-	-	-	Karen
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>62</b>	



## PRAYER CONCERNS

### HEALTH

Nancy A.  
Mildred B.  
Cindy  
Randi C. (Amber S. Friend)  
Bev D. (Barb L. Friend)  
Debbie  
Peggy D. Brother-in-Law  
Charlotte H.  
Howard (John A. Friend)  
Vic H. (Vangie W. Brother)

Sam & Margie H.  
Roxie J. Mother  
Jeanette M.  
Ikie M.  
Darlene M. Family (Ed L. Sister)  
Terry O.  
Rita  
Sam & Ruth S.  
Carol Ann S.  
Ruth S.

### OTHER

ABW  
American Voters  
Bethel Building Renovations  
Children's Sunday School  
Christian University in NE India  
Disasters in USA  
Family Promise & Families  
Mike & Carl G. (Personal)  
Grace Baptist Church  
National Conflicts

National Leaders  
Nominating Committee  
New Church Members  
Our School Systems  
Search Committee  
Shootings (KCMO/KCKS)  
Steve (Personal)  
Jean T. (Personal)  
World Conflicts  
Our Missionaries-Baits-Buttry-  
Longkumer-Ngwemi

Dear friend of global mission,

Do you recall the parable of the sower, where seed scattered on the good soil produced a bountiful harvest?

Today, I am asking you to join with other faithful friends of global mission to sow some seed money on the good soil of the special ***I am AM - WMO Challenge*** fund by Friday, September 30.\*

This unique challenge fund is good soil indeed! Every undesignated\*\* dollar contributed to the fund will be used to double every gift given to the World Mission Offering (WMO) after September 30, until the fund is depleted.

**That means that your gift today will help support crucial ministries around the world AND greatly encourage others to give as well.**

To God be the glory!  
*Sharon Koh*

Sharon T. Koh  
Executive Director



\* Gifts must be received at the IM office by September 30, 2016.

\*\*Undesignated WMO gifts are those given to support the entire work of IM. Gifts for the support of individual global servants will not be doubled.

**Received to Date: \$225.00**

**Our Goal: \$2,000.00**

## WORLD MISSION OFFERING

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		<b>ABW BIBLE BOOK AMOS</b>	14 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30-7:30p Choir Reh. 7:30-8:00p Praise Team	15	16 Secretary Vacation	17 3-5p Karen Youth
18 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship/ <b>Jerry Cain</b> 2:00p Karen Worship	19	20 6:30p Search Committee	21 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30-7:30p Choir Reh. 7:30-8:00p Praise Team	22 	23	24 3-5p Karen Youth
25 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship/ <b>Stephen Barbee</b> 2:00p Karen Worship	26 Noon Grace Notes Deadline	27 9:30a DorSew 6:30p Search Committee	28 9:00a Prayer Circle 5:30p Dinner 6:15p Bible Study 7-8p Choir Reh. 8-8:30p Praise Team	29	GRR Annual Assembly/Effingham	
					30	<b>FOOD PANTRY CANNED CORN</b>



### FALL ADULT RETREAT - - - "RUN THE RACE" October 6-8, 2016 - - - Windermere Baptist Conference Center

\$75 includes meals & program  
\$49 and up for lodging

**Speakers:**

*Dr. Paul Gibson, ABC Springfield, IL*  
*Greg Morrow, First Baptist Church, California*

**Music:**

*Bud & Barbara Lee*  
*South Haven Choir*

***"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us" Hebrews 12:1b***

[www.windermereusa.org](http://www.windermereusa.org)      573-346-5200

**THURSDAY**

5:30	Opening Banquet & Concert	Dining Hall	Bud & Barbara Lee
7:00	Worship	Harding Auditorium	P. Gibson & Choir
8:30	S'more & Hymn Sing	Vespers Campfire Site	

**FRIDAY**

7:30	Breakfast & Devotion	Dining Hall	G. Morrow & Choir
8:45	Bible Study & Worship	Harding Auditorium	
9:45	Coffee Break	Harding Auditorium	
10:00	Breakout Sessions	Lower Harding	
11:00	Breakout Sessions	Lower Harding	
12:00	Lunch	Dining Hall	
1:00	What's New at Windermere	Dining Hall	John Bailey
2:00	Breakout Sessions	Lower Harding	
3:00	Talent Show for All	Harding Auditorium	Everyone!

**FRIDAY CONTINUED:**

4:30	Break		
5:30	Supper	Dining Hall	
7:00	Worship	Harding Auditorium	P. Gibson/Choir
8:30	Dessert/Games	Fireside Lounge	

**SATURDAY**

7:30	Breakfast/Devotion	Dining Hall	
8:45	Bible Study/Worship	Harding Auditorium	G. Morrow & Choir
10:00	Breakout Sessions	Lower Hardin	
11:00	Room Check Out	Registration	
12:00	Lunch	Dining Hall	
1:00	Closing Worship	Harding Auditorium	P. Gibson & Choir
3:00	Departure or Sign Up for the Weekend		

**LODGING RATES FOR SENIOR ADULT RETREAT**

Cedar Grove	\$ 40.00	per night	Family Units 350-352 (sleeps 5)	\$ 69.00	per night
Motel	\$ 49.00	per night	Family Units 355, 356, 361 (sleeps 9-11)	\$119.00	per night
Lakeview	\$ 85.00	per night	Family Units 353 & 362 (sleeps 9)	\$127.00	per night
Dogwood	\$ 85.00	per night	Family Units 354, 357, 360, 363 (sleeps 9)	\$141.00	per night
			Family Units 1570 & 1571 (sleeps 9)	\$141.00	per night



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER:** Hard candy (newly purchased, please and no chocolate because it melts), rubber bands, monetary donations to help pay for shipping (each box is \$7.00).

**HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING**---Hospice volunteers make a huge difference in someone's life by simply being present. They provide support and companionship to patients and families in their homes and long term care facilities. Once trained, you can provide a caregiver a short break, and spend time with a patient playing cards, visiting, reading aloud or sharing your well behaved 4 legged friend. Veteran volunteers also needed to visit patients who have also served. No nursing skills needed or personal care duties performed by volunteers. Hospice volunteering can be a meaningful and life changing opportunity for anyone, even teens.

### Volunteer Training

Saturday, October 1, 2016 9:00 am-3:00 pm Crossroads North Office, Gladstone, MO  
RSVP: [Kathy.Fetters@CrossroadsHospice.com](mailto:Kathy.Fetters@CrossroadsHospice.com) or (816) 389-5426



**Please Note:** Our **Praise Team** will begin rehearsing on Wednesday evenings, 7:30 to 8:00 p.m., following Choir Rehearsal. Thank You!



**LADIES!** Remember, Prayer Circle is held **EVERY** Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the "Friendship" Room #206, across from the offices.



**INTERNATIONAL  
MINISTRIES**

Dear Loved Ones,

Greetings. We are back in Haiti again since August 30. The very next day, in spite of some fatigue due to the long flight, I was out there visiting the last pump I left being dug in the Newa region. Newa is a subsection or sub church of our Haut-Limbe Baptist Church. Newa is an isolated area.

There is nothing to attract its development. Once one is there, he/she has to wonder where Newa's population gets its drinking water.

Once the pump was set, the Newa region did not have any drop of rain the entire month of July. It was hard for our people.

As one person said, the pump was a manna God gave them at the right time.

Thank you for standing by our side to provide this manna to our population. Your support means a lot to all of us.

Serving the Master in Haiti,  
Nzunga & Kihomi

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*Serving as the hands  
and feet of Christ*