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Grace Notes

*Welcome

*Worship

*Praise

NINE YEARS OF SHARED MINISTRY

Congratulations to the Grace Karen Baptist Church that will celebrate nine years of service this Sunday, May 27. All are invited for the worship service at 1:30 and are encouraged to stay for the meal afterward.

The Baxters and Fakhourys remember the day in 2007 that Duane Binkley issued a call at the ABC Biennial in Washington, DC, for local congregations to assist in the resettlement of Karen refugees from Burma who were coming to America from camps in Thailand. Many remember the day that Anna Soe and K Nyaw Paw Soe visited GBC on a Wednesday evening and saw a picture of their refugee church posted on our bulletin board.

Soon many of the Karens were worshipping at Grace on Sunday morning and sitting through an English-language service patiently trying to understand the message. Common hymns were sung in both Karen and English. The morning text was read in both Karen and English. Sunday School was attempted in both Karen and English. Knitting classes, cooking classes, English classes and many other activities were shared to help welcome our Christian brothers and sisters to America.

The time finally came in 2009 that the Karens were stable enough to begin their own Sunday afternoon congregation and thus we honor their anniversary on Sunday, May 27. Grandfather Kan Min and Pastor Pree Htoo provide a lineage back to those earliest days of incorporation. On a typical Sunday afternoon over 100 Christians will worship God in a beautiful language that sounds foreign to English-trained ears. A full Sunday School teaches the Bible to children, youth and young adults. Active in the Karen Baptist Convention, USA, Grace Karen Baptist Church is a model for other refugee groups to follow as they migrate to America.

Not only do I wish to congratulate the Grace Karen Baptist Church on nine years of ministry, but also commend our Grace Baptist Church community for taking on this worthy missionary opportunity. Your sacrificial service and willingness to get involved in a new world has strengthened our witness and truly advanced the Kingdom of God. GBC is truly visionary in accepting this opportunity to do something few other churches in America would do. I am proud to be a part of this good congregation.

Pastor Jerry Cain

WORLD MISSION CONFERENCE, JULY 4-8

The American Baptist World Mission Conference will be held at Green Lake Conference Center on July 4-8, 2018. I am attending and would enjoy having others from Grace Baptist Church join me. We will meet our missionaries who are home from the field and hear reports on creative missionary ventures including North East Christian University in India. Our youth group is designating this Missions Conference as their off-campus event for the summer. Costs for the conference, room, board, and travel will be about \$500 or about \$100 per day which is quite reasonable for modern travel. Afternoons will be free for boating, fishing, swimming, hiking and other options such as napping.

Please check the International Ministries website (www.internationalministries.org) and the Green Lake website (glcc.org) for specifics. Let me know if you are interested and we can talk details.

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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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	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp	Total
Budget	2,433.62	288.46	892.65	3,614.73
5/13/18	2,396.04	292.20	233.76	2,922.00
5/20/18	1,854.02	226.10	180.88	2,261.00

ATTENDANCE				
	S.S.	SUNDAY SERVANTS	WORSHIP	
5/13/18	47	4	97	English Service
5/13/18	-	-	106	Karen Service
Total	47	4	203	
5/20/18	42	9	72	English Service
5/20/18	-	-	78	Karen Service
Total	42	9	150	

Openers/ Closers	May 27 Vangie Webb	June 3 Mike Reiter
Greeters	May 27 Gary & Marsha Henderson	June 3 Pat Kirk & Vangie Webb
Cleaners	May 27 Roy & Joni Davis	June 3 Karen
Worship Hosts	May Nancy Ashworth	June Mark Grant

After May the choir will take a break for the summer. If you would like to provide special music, please see Bill Turnage.



PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALTH

Nancy A.
Pat B.
Lonnie B.
Bonnie
Dan B.
Glenda B.
Randi C.
Jim C.
Mrs. D.
Dakota
Helen J.

Mike
Imogene M.
Terry O.
Don P.
Kelly R.
Kenny S.
Doug S.
Larry S.
Mark S.
Ruth S.
Tyler
Fred V.

OTHER

ABW
Bethel Building Renovations
Christian University in NE India
Disasters in the USA
Family Promise
Family Minister/Young Adults/Singles/SS
Grace Baptist Church & Pastor
Law Enforcement

Leaders of Nation & State
New Church Members
Refugees
School Systems
Shootings in KCMO & KCKS
Maw T. (Personal)
World Conflicts
Our Missionaries-Baits-Buttry-
Longkumer-Ngwemi

Welcome Back, Maw Rach Taw!!

Though he left us only last month, I am happy to welcome back Maw Rach Taw as our summer ministry intern. Grace Baptist Church has been selected to receive a grant of \$2000 from the ABC Great Rivers Region to cover most of his salary for this summer. We are grateful that Maw Rach is still available and that our denominational colleagues see Grace as a good investment for church growth.

Maw Rach will continue his role as bridge-builder between the English-speaking congregation and the Karen-speaking congregation, but will also be the point man in our new relationship with Lakewood School. We made our first visit to Lakewood on Monday and he has successfully guided us through their Field Day on Wednesday. I look forward to Maw Rach building bridges to Lakewood and the families who are involved there.

We continue to go into all the world and make disciples.... Thanks for joining us.

Pastor Jerry Cain

Thank You



Dear Friends at Grace:


Thank you so much for all your support since my Daddy died. The service Saturday was wonderful. A special Thanks to the ladies for the nice brunch. A special Thank You to Jerry Cain for your kind words. I am so proud to say I am a member of Grace Baptist Church.

In Christian Love,
Linda Smith



Thank You to Linda Cain for the beautiful Pentecost mobile. It depicts the tongues of flames and the Holy Spirit descending like a dove. We are grateful to the youth for making the Doves. It was all so beautiful!!!!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	HEALTHY SNACK MONTH FOR BETHEL		23 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30p Choir Reh.	24	25	26
27 Graduate Recognition 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship 1:30p Karen Worship/ Karen Church 9th Anniversary Celebration	 Memorial Day Offices & Day Care Closed	29 Sec. Off	30 9:00a Prayer Circle 5:30p Dinner 6:15p Program - - - Samaritan's Purse & Christmas Child	31	FOOD PANTRY: Canned Tomatoes	ABWM BIBLE BOOK Lamentations

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			FOOD PANTRY: Dry Biscuit Mix	ABW Bible Book: 1 Kings	1 6p Outside Worship Area Being Used By Another Church	2
3 Communion 9:00 Sunday School 10:15a Worship 2:00p Karen Worship	4 Noon Grace Notes Deadline 1:00p Day Care Board	5 Sec. Off	6 9:00a Prayer Circle 12:30p Day Care Staff 6:00p Youth Praise Team 6:30p Youth Meet with Pastor	7	8 Sec. Vacation Parking Lot Resurfacing ABW GRR Conf. Springfield, IL June 8-10th	9
10 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship/Youth Business Mtg./Lunch Provided 2:00p Karen Worship	11 7p Diaconate	12 Sec. Off	13 9:00a Prayer Circle	14 Flag Day Noon Day Care Father's Barbecue	15 Sec. Vacation	16
17 Father's Day 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship 2:00p Karen Worship	18 Noon Grace Notes Deadline	19 Sec. Off	20 9:00a Prayer Circle	21 Summer	22	23
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BIRTHDAYS

11 Paw Ler	16 June Joy Htoo	1 Jerry & Linda Cain
13 Ma Re Fre Dah	19 Albert Quiroz	7 Ron & Jeralee Tietz
13 Anita Parkins	29 Maxwell Ray	10 Don & Donna Pyle



ANNIVERSARIES

19 Bill & Marty Turnage
29 Roger & Sandi McKee



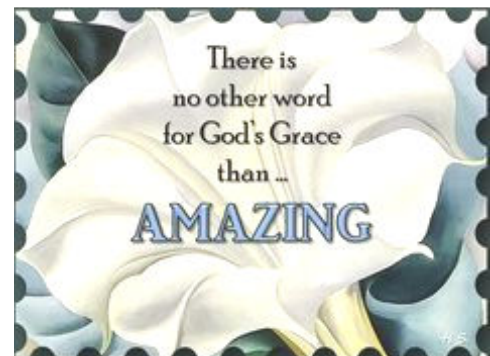
We invite each and everyone of our families & friends at Grace to join us for our celebration of our 9 years anniversary of Grace Karen

Baptist Church on Sunday, May 27th, 2018, 1:30 p.m. Dinner served after the service.

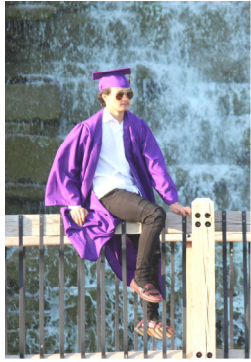
CONGRATULATIONS to Crystal Villanueva on the birth of Violet Jean on Wednesday, May 9th, 2018 at 8:10 p.m. Violet weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz., was 20" long and has black hair. The proud grandparents are Fred and Jackie Villanueva.



MLM Food Pantry is requesting donations of Peanut Butter and Jelly. School is out soon and these items will be needed!!!!



Class of 2018

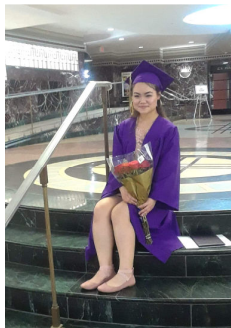


RAINBOW HTOO

Rainbow Htoo graduated from North Kansas City High School where he played soccer, was in speech and debate, sang in the Men's Choir for 3 years, lettered in Vocal and DECA and was in the Harmonaires Men's Choir for 4 years. His Show Choir took a 1 in St. Louis and his Ensemble Group took a 2. His solo took 1st in the District and

2nd in the State! He was in the A+ Program and also photographed sports for the school.

Rainbow has attended Grace Baptist Church for nine to ten years. He was the song leader last summer for Grace's Bible School and he is also working in our Day Care at the present time. "High School Was Just a Warm Up". He plans to major in business at Maple Woods. Favorite Bible Verse 1 Corinthians 13:13.



EH HSER KLEE PAW

Eh Hser Klee Paw graduated from North Kansas City High School on May 9, 2018. She played soccer while she attended school. She was in art and was an outstanding art student. She graduated with a 2.5 GPA. Her attendance was around 80%, but

most of them were from tardies because the school campus was wide spread. Plans for the future are still in progress.

MARQUEL PILGRAM



Marquel graduated from North Kansas City High School where he was a member of the Northland Corps in the Medical Field, participated in the A+ Program, and received a 1 with the Harmonaires Choir for two years in a row, participated in All State Men's Choir, lettered in vocal music, was on the Power Lifting Team, and Student Council. Marquel

plans to attend Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO in the fall to study pre-nursing.



AMBER SUMMERS

Amber graduated from K State
Academics

Master of Architecture with a 4.0 graduate GPA

Minor in Regional and Community Planning

Involvement

Member of Design + Make Studio

Member of Tau Sigma Delta (architecture honor society)

Member of APDPro (Professional development program)

APDesign Ambassador

Kremer Design Competition Finalist

Amber has attended Grace Baptist Church her entire life, beginning in the Day Care at 6 weeks. She worked on staff at our Day Care for 2 summers! Future Plans are to work at Butler Rosenbury and Partners located in Springfield MO.

We are so very proud of Amber and the dedication and hard work she has put in over the last 5 years at K-State as well as the beautiful young lady she has become. We are blessed to have her in our lives.

- Brad & Judy Summers



TA TOE TAW

Ta Toe Taw graduated May 14, 2018 from East High School. During his freshman year, he volunteered for Upper Bound program, which helps you get ready for college and also helps you apply for financial aid, and applying for colleges and universities. He also played

soccer and wrestled during high school. He graduated in the top 20 in his class. His GPA was 3.4. He also joined both band and concert band where he played the trumpet. He graduated from East High School with a smile on his face and a grateful heart. His senior quote was "Never Lose Hope". He plans to go to KCKCC. An excellent guitarist, Ta Toe Taw accompanied the music at last summer's VBS.

Congratulations Graduates

