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Grace Notes

*Welcome

*Worship

*Praise

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An American Baptist
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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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Strategic Plan Review January 20

I look forward to seeing you during the Sunday School hour this week as we do our annual review of the strategic plan. Thanks to the Sunday School teachers who have given up their regular class time to let us talk through the six statements we are following to actualize our purpose statement.

You will remember that two years ago, as I assumed this role as pastor, we spent the Sunday School hour in January and February discussing who we are as a church and where God is leading us. These strategic statements came out of that discussion. It was agreed they would be reviewed and tweaked as needed over the next seven years. As we begin our third year on this path, we will take time to see how we are doing.

You will receive a survey form on Sunday and will be asked to take it home, pray and evaluate how we are doing. Then on Sunday, January 27, we will collect those responses and do a quick tally of what God is telling you. On Wednesday, January 30, we will report the results of that survey and announce plans for 2019.

These six statements are important to who we are and where God is leading us.

- **Age Diversity.** Grace Baptist Church will be a congregation composed of people from a wide spectrum of age and experience.
- **Assimilation.** Grace Baptist Church will seek to welcome and seamlessly integrate visitors and new members into their fellowship.
- **Caring and Missions.** Grace Baptist Church will live the Gospel through their service to the community and the world.
- **Communication.** Grace Baptist Church will find ways to effectively tell her story to the community and the world.
- **Fellowship.** Grace Baptist Church will continue to be known as a diverse fellowship that enjoys each other.
- **Worship.** Grace Baptist Church will glorify God through excellence and passion on Sunday and throughout the week.

I look forward to worshipping with you during these cold winter days.

Jerry Cain

	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp.	Total
Budget	2,433.62	288.46	892.65	3,614.73
01/06/19	1,761.36	214.80	171.84	2,148.00
01/13/19	2,325.52	283.60	226.88	2,836.00

Openers/ Closers	January 20 Carolyn Cook	January 27 Bill Turnage
Greeters	January 20 Linda Biancavilla & Pat Kirk	January 27 Bill & Marty Turnage
Second Hour	January 20 Donna Pyle & Rainbow Htoo January 27 Virginia Hale & Josslyn Stone February 3 Roxie Jones & Athen Welcome	

ATTENDANCE				
	S.S.	SUNDAY SERVANTS	WORSHIP	
01/06/18	42	0	82	English Service
01/13/18	30	4	44	English Service

PRAYER CONCERNS



HEALTH

Nancy A.
Bonnie
Austin
Edna B.
John B.
Dan B.
Randi C.
Peggy D.
Hans & Gisela G.
Evie H. Mother
Helen J.
K. Jones
Landon K.
Ethlyn M.
Imogene M.
Terry O.

Sharon P.
Don P.
Diana R.
Mike R.
Linda S.
Doug S.
Gerry S.
Larry S.
Mark S.
Steve
Tyler
Betty V.
Fred V.
Caroline W.
Wynette
Rose Y.

OTHER

ABW
Accompanist
B Family
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
Ethlyn M. Niece's Family (Bereavement)
Leaders of Nation and State
New Church Members

Nominating Committee
Refugees
School Systems
Shootings
Those Traveling
Our Missionaries--Buttry-
Longkumer-McCurdy-Ngwemi

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		15	16 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30p Choir Reh.	17	18 Secretary Vacation	19 POSTPONED 9a-Noon Book Study "Domestic Violence"
20 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship Noon Karen Youth 2:00p Karen Worship	21 Martin Luther King Day	22 9:30a DorSew	23 9:00a Prayer Circle 6:30p Choir Reh.	24	25	26
27 9:00a S.S. 10:15a Worship Noon Karen Youth 2:00p Karen Worship	28 Noon Grace Notes Deadline	29	30 9:00a Prayer Circle 5:30p Dinner 6:15p Program 7:00p Choir Reh.	31	ABW Bible Book Romans	Food Pantry Dry Cereal

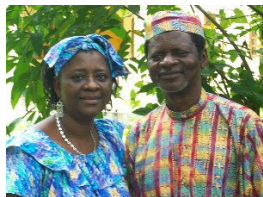
The **preaching emphasis in January** will follow the Sunday School texts looking at who Jesus is. I hope you will preview these texts in preparation for Sunday School discussion and for our worship experience.

- 1-06. Jesus: A Gift to the World. Mathew 2:1-12
- 1-13. Jesus: The Son of God. Luke 3:15-22
- 1-20. Jesus: The Presence of God. John 2:1-11
- 1-27. Jesus: The Fulfillment of Scripture. Luke 4:14-24

A Word From Our Missionaries

Pineapples of Gratitude

..And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which amount to a cent". Mark 12:42



Dear Loved Ones,

Blessed 2019 greetings to everyone of you. 12:30 PM this Friday, January 11, 2019, a knock at our door. I asked who is there. It is me. Who me? Silence. I went to open the door to find this young man, Bel Adelin, a third year agriculture student at our university. He had a black plastic bag in his hands. He said to me that he has a small pineapple and yam garden in his village of Mount Organize.

Mount Organize is way up in the mountains in Northern Haiti. it was on those deep mountains that the eye clinic car rolled backward before flipping over with its four wheels upside down.

Bel Adelin said that he has asked God to bless his fruits so that he can offer the first best ones to the Nzunga family. Why, I asked him. He said that without your financial support, the university would have long time ago kicked me out. Thank you that I am still here. Please have this bag of pineapples and enjoy. Then he left while I was speechless.

Kihomi and I are going to enjoy those pineapples on **your** behalf. Those pineapples are really the fruits of your love and your support.

Please receive Bel Adelin's thanksgivings and the gratitude of the many you will never see or hear from who have benefited from your love.

In Haiti,
Nzunga & Kihomi



will hear their call and follow it.

Thank you for partnering with IM to help underwrite the expense of the ministry God has called us to in Costa Rica. Your support is making a difference in the life of pastoral families, seminary students and others sensing a call to ministry. At a recent pastoral prayer meeting, one of the pastors passionately and boldly gave a call to the other pastors about the need to be training up new pastors within the churches so they can retire and still enjoy life and family. We praise God for this pastor's boldness, as this has been a focus of our teachings this year; that a new generation of pastors

It is an honor and a joy to be on this journey together! Thank you for thinking globally and for helping equip pastors who will then be able to better equip future leaders.

Peter and Sarah McCurdy

GREAT RIVERS REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Scholarship programs exist in the Great Rivers Region to assist young people who are members of Grace Baptist Church to secure a college and/or seminary education. Scholarships for any college student (regardless of major) or seminary student from the Gernenz-Shurtleff/Wilcoxon Scholarship are available. Ministerial students attending ABC related schools and seminaries in preparation for ministry can also apply for the Harold O. Long Scholarship. All applications must be received in the GRR office by April 1, 2019.

To receive an application for these scholarships, write to:

Scholarship Committee
Attention Debbie Naugle
PO Box 13457
Springfield, IL 62791
Phone: 217-726-7366
Email: debbie@abcgrr.org



**American Baptist Churches USA
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We are excited that the American Baptist Churches 2019 Biennial Mission Summit will feature an all new ABCUSA Biennial Academy-offering continuing education and spiritual growth opportunities for both clergy and Lay leaders.

Bring the whole family! Virginia Beach is a top family friendly destination. In 2019, exciting VBS style classes will be offered for elementary, middle and high school ages. Day care will also be available.

The January 19, 2019 BOOK STUDY has been postponed due to expected bad weather.