

MARCH 1, 2020 **NOTE FROM JONATHAN**

God's compelling desire in human history is to reunite with a world that is shattered by sin. From the first verses of Genesis to the last verses of Revelation, His intention is to "seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10). The wonder of it all is that He wants to accomplish this mission through people like you and me.

Our Global Outreach conference starts today, a special time to focus on God's mission around the world and how we can actively join that work. Check out the highlights in today's bulletin and make plans to join us as we get a taste of God's work around the world!

The fundamental biblical motivation for committing ourselves to global outreach is this—we love God and want others to encounter Him. And, we know that...

1. Jesus sacrificed himself for us on the cross. The first public description of Jesus presented in the Bible is when John the Baptist called out: "Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." In many ways, that sums up what Jesus' mission was all about. We want to share that wonderful news with the world.

2. There is a great global need to hear about Jesus. More than two billion people have yet to hear the gospel in an understandable way. Can you imagine what that does to the Father's heart? Bob Pierce, founder of World Vision, said it so well: "Let my heart be broken with the things that break the heart of God."

Being involved in God's global plan lets us be part of gathering people to the great celebration in heaven when every nation, tribe, people and language will be represented (Revelation 7:9). This is why we carve out a special week in the life of our church to celebrate together and to carefully consider our individual role in God's great redemption story.

Let's say "Yes!" to God's invitation to take his message of hope to a world that desperately needs it. Hope you'll be able to join us these coming days!

UPCOMING

Grace Olmsted Falls

In addition to the Middleburg Heights campus, join the Grace family in Olmsted Falls! Encounter God in live worship, a video message streamed from Grace Middleburg Heights, and ministries unique to Grace Olmsted Falls. Learn more about Grace Olmsted Falls: gracecma.org/of

Renew the City: April 4 Outreach Opportunity

Serve with our Grace WeServeTeam who is partnering with Envision Cleveland on this day-long service project where we get to serve the city of Cleveland. Register online and learn more: bit.ly/renewcle2020

Short-Term Trip Info Meeting: West Virginia Today @ Noon | Middleburg Campus | Room 8
Join us to find out about this July short-term mission trip to West Virginia. This popular trip fills up quickly so stop by to learn more about this trip and how to apply. ✉ pat.senkar@gracecma.org

Short-Term Trip Info Meeting: Philippines Today @ 1:15 PM | Middleburg Campus | Room 202
Join team leader Bitsy Cash to learn about how you can partner with Envision and serve on this team in the Philippines in October. ✉ bitsycash@att.net

Forever Young (50+): "A Heart For The Unborn" March 14 5-8 PM | Middleburg Campus | Venue
The Cleveland Pregnancy Center has met the needs of women facing unplanned pregnancies since 1984. CPC director, Bob Hershey, will be here to share about one of the biggest issues of our day and how we might help. Bring a generous main dish, side or salad. Dessert provided.

Lost and Found items to be donated March 4
If you are missing any items, please check the Lost and Found area located next to Room 35. ✉ wendy.hansen@gracecma.org

Bible Study Fellowship Free Seminar Personal Quiet Time: March 10 @ 10:10 & 11:30 AM | Middleburg Campus
This seminar will equip and inspire members to meet with God daily through personal Bible study. To register contact Elizabeth ☐ (216) 773-5915

Bringing America Back to Life: March 6-7 at the Embassy Suites in Independence
This event will feature local, national, and international speakers addressing challenges and opportunities for the Right-to-Life movement. For more information: ☐ (440) 529-4836 ✉ info@BringingAmericaBackToLife.org

Strongsville Men's Church League Softball
Signups will begin on March 8. Season is scheduled from early May through mid-August. Cost is \$65 per player. Limited spots available. ☐ Steve - (216) 798-0681 ✉ scatkins@yahoo.com

SMALL GROUPS

Leading a Small Group
Is God calling you to minister to others at Grace? Consider leading a small group. We want to meet with you and tell you more about how you can lead a small group: bit.ly/icanlead2020

MULTILINGUAL WORSHIP

Arabic Church
Sundays @ Noon in Room 20
✉ clevarabicchurch@gmail.com

Deaf Church
Sundays @ Noon in Room 209
✉ joe.dixon@gracecma.org

Spanish Ministry
1st Sunday/month @ Noon in Room 204
✉ jcuevas91709@gmail.com

CHILDREN

Grace Kids (Birth-3rd grade)
We offer classes during all Sunday services and Wednesday night classes.
Our gifted teachers are privileged to partner with you as you invest in your children! Learn more: gracecma.org/grace-kids

Pre-Teens (Grades 4-6)
Sundays @ 9 AM and 10:30 AM
Wednesdays @ 7 PM
9 AM: All meet in Room 35 • 10:30 AM: All meet in Room 20 • Wednesdays @ 7 PM: Boys in Activity Center • Girls in Room 35

Friendship Class: Sundays @ 10:30 AM
This is a unique class for children and adults with developmental disabilities. First-time visitors are asked to stay with their child.

Ages 2-5 in Room 47 • Ages 6-13 in Room 21B
Ages 14-18 in Room 23 • Ages 19+ meet in the Worship Center, then go to Room 21A.
✉ linda.denson@gracecma.org

STUDENTS

Middle School (Grades 6-8)
Wednesdays @ 7 PM in Room 20
Sundays @ 10:30 AM in Rooms 2 & 4
✉ jordy.vickrey@gracecma.org

High School (Grades 9-12)
Sundays @ 6 PM in the Venue
Small Groups: Wednesdays @ 7 PM
✉ beth.hedtke@gracecma.org

Young Adults: Thursdays @ 7 PM in the Venue
Whether you'd like to explore the Christian faith, or you're looking for an opportunity to connect with others ages 18-30, join us!

WOMEN

GO Week Event: Women's Morning Muffins & Coffee with a Missionary: March 4 @ 9:30 AM
Middleburg Campus | Activity Center
Please join us for muffins and hear from Joanna Thelander. Please note: Bible Study classes will join together for this event. Childcare is available. ✉ joyce.meekins@gracecma.org

Ladies Latté... Connect Over Coffee: March 9 @ 7 PM | Middleburg Campus | Activity Center
Invite a friend and join us for Mary Schaeffer's message, "When Life Seems Unfair." Enjoy sweet fellowship over coffee, dessert, and roundtable discussion (\$4 at the door). Childcare: elizabethrenee.wu@gmail.com
✉ joyce.meekins@gracecma.org

MUMs (Moms Uplifting Moms): March 12 @ 9:30 AM | Middleburg | Activity Center
Moms of all ages, join us for a time of fellowship, brunch and more (\$4 cover charge). We will hear an inspiring message from Michelle Dubik. Childcare is available for children of all ages. ✉ catkins9299@hotmail.com

MEN

Galvanized: Fridays @ 7:30 PM | Middleburg Campus | Room 21
This healing and recovery ministry is for men dealing with all addictions and struggles. Challenge yourself to try this life-transforming journey. You can become the man God created you to be; living a Christ-honoring and truly fulfilling life.
✉ galvanized@gracecma.org

SUPPORT GROUPS

NAMI: March 3 @ 7 PM
St. Joseph Church in Strongsville
Do you or someone you love struggle with mental illness? You're not alone! Join us for education & encouragement. ☐ Karen Jarr - (440) 239-9423

Dementia Care Giver Support Group: March 8 @ Noon | Middleburg Campus | Room 211
If you are caring for someone with any type of memory loss, join us for prayer & encouragement.

WAYS TO SERVE

Prayer for International Workers: Next Sunday @ Noon | Middleburg Campus | Room 11
Persecuted Church and Loker/Oaxaca ministry
✉ EdWolters-islandstarz@msn.com

Michael W. Smith Concert: Serve Opportunity
Help serve at the concert with load-in and load-out! You must be 18yrs+ to serve and will receive free concert entrance. ✉ concerts@gracecma.org

Global Grounds: Serve Opportunity
Sundays and Wednesdays
Global Grounds is looking for volunteers to help during our busiest times! Volunteers primarily help with registers and pastries for two hour periods, experience is a plus. ✉ rachel.polanco@gracecma.org

Shuttle Drivers. Do you enjoy driving? Do you have a CDL or are a school bus driver or commercial bus driver? We are looking for those interested in driving shuttles on Sundays or for special events. ☐ Darrin Smith - (440) 667-1207

Card Ministry: March 6 @ 7 PM
Middleburg Campus | Room 2
Join us for fellowship and fun making cards for the congregation! ✉ amarie222@hotmail.com

WELCOME TO GRACE!

SUNDAYS

9 AM • 10:30 AM • Noon • 6 PM

New to Grace Church? We'd love to meet you!

If this is your first time to Grace, stop by the Welcome Desk before you leave today. We would love to say hello, welcome you to Grace, and give you a small gift.

Church Tour: Today

Following the 10:30 AM service

Are you new to Grace Church, or just need some help navigating through the building? Meet us at the Welcome Desk for a tour!

Our worship is comprised of different musical styles: classic hymns and new songs from churches around the world. Some weeks we introduce creative elements like art or dance to help you experience God in a fresh way.

GRACE OLMSTED FALLS

If you live in the Olmsted Falls area and call Grace your church home, we invite you to check out the new Grace Church campus (6941 Columbia Rd.)! We love seeing God expand His Kingdom, and that we can reach more to Love Him, Grow with Others, and Serve the World.

CAFÉ & GLOBAL GROUNDS

Enjoy coffee and pastry, available after each of our services.

EXPLORE OUR MINISTRIES

Ministries for children, students, young adults, men and women, senior adults, and more are gathering each week. Browse the Ministry Info shelves just outside the Worship Center doors, or visit gracecma.org to see where you can connect and grow with others!

OFFSITE PARKING

Shuttles are running all morning to give you a convenient ride to Grace from parking lots at the Islander Office Complex (Pearl Road and I-71) or Big Creek Elementary School (just off Pearl Road). If you need to get back to your vehicle during a service, just visit the Welcome Desk!

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WORSHIP BAND AUDITIONS

MARCH 10

Do you have a heart for worship and playing an instrument? The Worship Ministry is having adult band auditions!

Schedule your audition in advance:
robin.walters@gracecma.org



GO WEEK FEAST OF THE NATIONS

MARCH 2 @ 6 PM - MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS CAMPUS

MARCH 3 @ 6 PM - OLMSTED FALLS CAMPUS

Join us for the Feast of Nations! Tickets are on sale today in the lobby or during the week 10 AM - 4 PM. \$6/person (cash/check only), children under 3 are free. Available while supplies last.

Visit us in the lobby today for your tickets!



SMALL GROUPS

NEW GROUPS OPEN!

Small Groups are a great way to connect and grow with others! New groups have begun, and here are a few with openings: Daytime Group (35+): janettenieves@hotmail.com

Bible Reading/Study Group: ib4joy@gmail.com

Writers Group: dgruber13@yahoo.com

Check out the new groups! gracecma.org/groups