

10/11/15

PRAYER

If you are visiting and/or have a prayer request, be sure to fill out, tear off and place the perforated section in the offering plate! Take this opportunity to make specific prayer requests known to our prayer warriors!

Name:

- I would like my request kept confidential
I would like my request shared with a prayer team

Request:

Multiple horizontal lines for writing prayer requests.

GCC Monthly Prayer Guides are available at the Information Center! \$10 suggested donation.

Please Pray for:

- Pain relief and healing for Jolene Philo as she had surgery on Thursday to repair the tendon in her left thumb.
Alex Kirby while he is traveling to 11 countries in 11 months for the World Race missions trip!
Peace and quality of life for John Verkade, dad of Geoff.
Progression and pain relief for Rita Knight as she continues physical therapy to regain use of the arm that she broke.

NEXT SUNDAY 10/18

- 9:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (coffee & treats)
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for ALL Ages!
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Connection Groups & Kid's Connection!

YTD Budget: \$246,915.20

YTD Income: \$239,846.93

Just a reminder to those serving next week at Grace . . .

- Baker ~ Angie DeVries
Cup of Grace Server ~ Erik Prazak
Greeters ~ Jerry & Bev Swore, DeeAnna Bechtel
Welcome/Info Center ~ Kaylynne Christenson
Scripture Reading ~ Sherry Erb ~ II Corinthians 8:1-9
Offertory Prayer ~ Ron Hinds
Ushers ~ Steve & Sherry Erb, Rod Thompson
Nursery ~ Cindy Beenken, Randy & Lindsay Cox, Alice & Lila Smith
Children's Church ~ Arrowood, Grout ~ Lesson 11
GCC mower beginning week of 10/11 ~ Rod Thompson

FIGHTER VERSE

For the week of October 18, 2015

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich." II Corinthians 8:9

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GRACE Community Church



We exist to glorify God
By seeking Christ
Who is our life,
And by proclaiming
His saving grace.

Healing for Damaged Emotions- Introduction Part II

October 11, 2015

Speaker: Pastor Tim Trudeau

Definition: Emotions are the soul's response to our evaluation of our circumstances, based on our training, past experiences (memories), maturity, and beliefs, which may or may not be accompanied by external feelings.

Ten Guiding Principles

1. Emotions are God's Design for Our Good

2. Emotions are Not Neutral

3. God Designed Us with an Integrated Mind & Soul

4. Negative Emotions Speak to Us About Ourselves

5. We Can be Healed of the Inner Root of Negative Emotions

6. Healing comes through the _____

7. What We _____ Governs How We Feel- Romans 12:2, 8:5-6, Philippians 4:8, Colossians 3:2, Proverbs 23:7

8. _____ Thoughts Produce Godly Emotions- John 8:32, Eph. 4:22-24, Acts 5:40-41, Romans 5:3-5, James 1:2-3

9. Godly Emotions are Meant to be _____-Psalm 130:7, Matt. 22:37, Philippians 4:4, Colossians 3:15

10. Sum: Emotionally healthy people have learned from their unhealthy emotions, been transformed by the Gospel, and revel in the healthy emotions that evidence their healed, healthy inner state

Extended Illustration: Lamentation 3:1-26

Three Steps to Finding Hope in the Darkness:

A. _____ Into the Darkness- vs. 18-20

B. Look _____ from the Darkness- vs. 19-23, Job 13:15

C. _____ Out of the Darkness- Vs. 24-26

TODAY

- ◆ If You Are Visiting Grace Community Church for the first time, we are so glad you are worshipping with us!
- ◆ Please fill out a visitor information card and either place it in the offering basket or drop it off at the Information Center.
- ◆ **Children's Activity Bags** are available near the double entry doors!
- ◆ **Children's Church** following the scripture reading. This is a special worship service for our children which includes music, teaching, activities, and an offering, with the funds going to Operation Christmas Child! To help prevent distractions, please leave toys and phones with parents/guardians.
- ◆ **Operation Christmas Child** boxes & brochures are available in the Courtyard! Start shopping NOW as *boxes will be due November 15*.
- ◆ **Elder Meeting** following the worship service.
- ◆ **Habitat for Humanity** house dedication! 1:30 p.m. at 205 17th St.



THIS WEEK

- ◆ **Men's Prayer Time**
Wednesday morning at 6:00 ~ 122 Marshall Street, Trudeau's home
- ◆ **IGNITE youth group!** Wednesday evening
Middle School 6-8:00 High School 7:45-9:30
Fuel Cells small group Bible Studies Wednesday evening
Middle School 8-9:00 High School 6:30-7:45
- ◆ **Stephen Ministry Training** (For those currently enrolled in the class)
Thursday evening reading assignment: Distinctively Christian Caring, SMTM 63-76, Intro through Ch 3 in Speaking the Truth in Love, Bring Christian Caregiving - A Way of Life and your Bible
- ◆ **Women's Study ~ Suffering and the Sovereignty of God**
Friday morning at 10:00 in the GCC Library
Saturday morning at 9:00 at 327 Sunrise Street, Deb Todd's home
- ◆ **Men's Bible Study**
Saturday morning at 8:00 ~ GCC Library

CELEBRATING THIS WEEK!

Happy Birthday: 10/11 – Sherry Erb, Nicole Roberts; 10/12 - John Breon, Perry Byriel; 10/13 - Emma Moorman, Chris Myers; 10/14 - Sam Byriel, 10/15 - Amelia Verkade, Joseph Walker; 10/17 - Robin Smith
Happy Anniversary: 10/11 - Kevin & Kim Roberts; 10/17 - Tim & Stephanie McGlynn



October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Your prayers for Pastor Tim and Joel are the most valuable gifts you can offer! See pages 6-7 in the October Newsletter on "How to Pray for Your Pastor". Also, prayer calendars are available at the Information Center: *Prayer for the Pastor* and *31 Days of Prayer for Pastor Tim & Cari and Pastor Joel & Tracy!*

We as a church family are again participating in **Operation Christmas Child**. We collected 127 boxes last year so **let's set a new goal of 150** this year! Grab a box or two and have fun filling them.

Reminders:

- ◆ Include \$7 per box to cover shipping.
- ◆ You may follow your boxes by donating online.
- ◆ Try to include a personal note and photo.
- ◆ NEW this year: Hobby Lobby stores have OCC shopping displays.
- ◆ Boxes are due back to GCC by **Sunday, November 15**.

Hey! Hope you all are doing well! Things are wrapping up here in China! We went to the Great Wall, the forbidden city, the temple of heaven (where they worshipped the sky in ancient times), the summer palace (the emperor's lake house), and Huo Hai lake (the prince's lake **House...yes the emperor's son had his own lake**). **It's crazy to think** we are headed to Mongolia in about 6 hours for the start of month two. Even with all the site seeing we did, our month here has been challenging to say the least.

When we arrived in Beijing we were told that we are not allowed to preach or talk to people about Jesus in the village (which is named Qingyundian, pronounced "ching-yun-deon") because China is a "closed" country. Meaning that Christianity is basically illegal and in some places heavily persecuted. **As foreigners we can believe in Jesus but we can't** proclaim it. They won't let you into the country with the sole purpose of being a missionary. We had rules to follow as well for just being in public. We couldn't go into town with groups larger than 6 people (for fear that it would draw a crowd), we couldn't take pictures or record the village, and the only ministry we could do was at our ministry site New Day Creations.

New Day Creations is a foster home that takes in orphaned children from all over China that were abandoned because of physical deformity, disease or both. Their goal is to heal these children, give them the medical and emotional care that they need and ultimately find them a home. However, in the Chinese foster care system they are only eligible for adoption until the age of 14 and many never get adopted. A few of my squad mates worked in the foster home, while the rest of us worked with the kids of the volunteers who work here and local homeschoolers tutoring them and also helping with the preschool that they run here as well. It was very frustrating at first. A lot of us felt like we were babysitting. We had expectations of going and preaching to the people, being on the front lines of a spiritual battle for the hearts of the people of China.

But we weren't. God had other plans. While we were working here at New Day God opened our eyes to many things. One of them being the power of prayer. Prayer has been and will be our most powerful tool. **When we can't move, the Spirit can.** Every morning we prayed for the village, for its people, for the country, and for the government. In our time here we have seen that seeds are being planted. We have witnessed the movement of the Spirit. We all have felt that this place is ripe and ready for harvest. And it is our prayer that the Lord's workers continue to come to plant and sow, to further the Lord's kingdom.

Miss and love you all, Alex Kirby