

**The Purpose of
Grace Presbyterian
Church**

*is to glorify God by
gathering and grow-
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Morning
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It's Not Too Late to Sign Up for the Mission Trip to Fort Payne, AL!

On April 27, 2011, DeKalb County, AL, was hit by at least three tornadoes. The largest was 1 mile wide at points and ran for 38 miles. 33 people died, more than 200 were injured, 1000 homes were damaged and 300 homes (not counting mobile homes) were completely destroyed. God's power was demonstrated in the storm, and now it is being demonstrated as God's people share His love to those who are in need. We have an opportunity to help the church of Jesus Christ, particularly our sister congregation, Grace Presbyterian Church, as they seek to provide physical and spiritual relief to their neighbors.

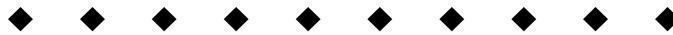
Caleb will be leading a team from our church down to Fort Payne from Monday, July 11, to Wednesday, July 13. We'll leave early Monday morning and get back to Cookeville Wednesday evening. Our primary task will be building a "Shed for Hope" – a storage shed where those whose homes were lost or damaged can store the belongings they have recovered. We will also be spending time loving the family, and doing whatever else the church might need us to do. We'll be staying at the church; on-site showers will be provided. The trip costs nothing, except for your meals. We've had breakfast food donated, and Grace-Fort Payne might provide a meal for us as well. Grocery stores and restaurants are open in the area.

The trip is open to males and females, youth age to adult. You'll need to bring your Bible; bedding (sleeping bag or sheets; an air mattress if you don't want to sleep on their army cots); toiletries; any water and snacks you might want; hat, gloves, sunscreen; appropriate work clothes.

If you want to go, please print and fill out this form and give it to Caleb at the church or bring it by the church office: <http://bit.ly/j16BdY>.

Groundbreaking Celebration Saturday, July 16th

Things are about to get loud and busy on the church property, as big machines start moving dirt around and our new building starts being erected. Before the work begins, on Saturday, July 16, from 4:00-7:00 p.m., we are going to have a celebration picnic, to spend time together on our property and to give thanks to God for His goodness to us over the last nearly 20 years. The church will be providing burgers and drinks; we're asking you to bring a side dish and chairs. We'll also have a homemade ice cream contest on the porch, so bring your favorite recipe and your ice cream makers for dessert. Kids, wear your bathing suits if you want to play in the sprinkler. Around 6:00-6:30 we'll have a time of sharing and praying. If you're in town, come out to celebrate together!



GRACE PRESBYTERIAN BUILDING FUND

We have received \$11,941 to date out of the \$52,406.57 needed
to build the basic church building.
\$68,634.74 more is needed for additional improvements.

Pastor Caleb's Corner

June has been a full month, what with the PCA's General Assembly in Virginia Beach the second week of June, and our Vacation Bible School last week. I want to thank Cheryl and Andy for all their hard work putting VBS together, as well as all the teachers, helpers, storytellers, and everyone else who made the week such a success. It was encouraging to hear the children reciting Scripture all week; may the Lord use His word in their hearts to keep them from sinning against Him (cf. Psalm 119:9, 11).

General Assembly was also an encouraging time. God continues to grow the PCA, slowly but surely, and He is graciously keeping us faithful to the Scriptures, true to the Reformed faith, and obedient to the Great Commission. You can read more about the Assembly from our Stated Clerk here: <http://www.pcaac.org/2011GeneralAssembly/Actionsofthe39thGeneralAssembly.pdf>. In addition to what he mentions, two other things happened of note: First, the Assembly expressed its disapproval with the past practice of designating various Lord's Days as special Lord's Days for the various committees and agencies. Presbyterians have historically not observed holy days other than the Lord's Day, since that is the only day we have been commanded by God to keep holy (the Bible teaches that we may not worship God according to our own imaginations or devices). And we observe the Lord's Day in celebration of God's creation of the world and our Lord's resurrection from the dead. We certainly should remember to pray for our committees and agencies, but when this happens it should be left up to the individual consciences of ministers and Sessions.

Second, the Assembly took a clear stance against the practice of paedocommunion (giving the Lord's Supper to covenant children who have not yet professed faith in Jesus). We believe that I Corinthians 11 teaches that those who come to the Lord's table must be of years and ability to examine themselves; this is one of the ways that the Lord's Supper differs from bap-

tism, which is to be given to the children of believers. The Lord's Supper is a covenant sign and seal of our communion with Christ and our feeding upon Him for spiritual growth; thus it is to be shared in only by those who have made a profession of conscious faith and commitment to Jesus. Allowing those to come to the table who are unable or unwilling to examine themselves endangers them. Listen to Paul: "*Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge/discern the body rightly. For this reason many among you are weak and sick, and a number sleep. But if we judged/discerned ourselves rightly, we would not be judged*" (I Cor. 11:27-31). The examination that Paul commands is full-orbed. Just as the disciples examined their own hearts on the night in which Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper (Mark 14:19), so we must examine ourselves for faith, repentance, love for Christ and the church, and new obedience (see the Westminster Shorter Catechism #97 and Larger Catechism #171-172, as well as Heidelberg Catechism #81, for more on the nature of this examination). In the context of I Corinthians 11, the examination and discernment is particularly in reference to our attitudes toward the body of Christ, the church, and to how we are treating one another – do we love the brethren?

As we prepare to come to the Lord's table this Lord's Day, spend time assessing yourself spiritually, crying out for God's mercy, renewing your covenant with Him. Are you displeased with yourself for your sins, yet trust that these are forgiven you, and that your remaining infirmity is covered by the suffering and death of Christ? Do you also desire more and more to strengthen your faith and to amend your life? Then come and welcome to the feast of the Lord, that your faith, hope and love might be strengthened more and more.

GRACE GROUPS

Check with leaders to confirm date, time and place

Sunday

Bradley Bleasdale—2nd & 4th Sundays, 12-2 PM at The Meeting House—(931)946-2229bradleyt1776@gmail.com

Wednesday

Ray Barnhart—6:30 PM at Barnhart's Home—3657 West Paron Rd.—(931)498-3521—raybarnhart@hotmail.com

Tyler Hodge—6:00 PM at M/K McClearen's Home—3878 Mirandy Rd.—(615)418-6887tylerhodge@yahoo.com

Andrew Martin—6:00 PM at R/K Farris' Home—2685 Randolph Rd.—(931)544-0582—admartin23@gmail.com

Dennis Parker—6:15 PM at King's Home—620 Sunset Dr., Sparta—(931)738-0791—parkit@blomand.net

Wes Stevens—6:00 PM at Stevens' Home—1808 Herbert Garrett Rd.—(931)432-2443—wesley.stevens@state.tn.us

Landon Vick—6:00 PM at Vick's Home—550 Burton Lane—(931)319-8534—landonvick@gmail.com

Thursday

Will Enochs—6:30 PM at Tatum's Home—21 Mackay Lane—(731)234-5193—wmenochs@gmail.com

Darryl Richards—6:30 PM at Richards' Home—3830 Mirandy Rd.—(931)537-9966—richards6@frontiernet.net

Saturday

Andy Berg—6:30 PM at Berg's Home—610 Rolling Meadows Lane, Rickman—(931)397-9952—acberg@ymail.com

What Else Is Going On At Grace?

Sunday School Classes—*Dealing with Personal Conflicts; Money, Money, Money and Inquirers' Class*
WIC Ladies Bible Study—Wednesday 10:00-11:30 AM

- Ladies of GPC—We need your help! If you would like to volunteer to bring flowers, fresh or silk, for one month out of the year to put on our sanctuary table in front of the pulpit, please contact Jan Stevens at 267-0273 or 432-2443.
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- **Sunday, August 7th**—Potluck Dinner after Morning Worship

**Cookeville Rescue Mission Meal
 Shepherding Group's 2011 Schedule**

July 27, 2011—Brad Bleasdale
 August 24, 2011—Dennis Parker
 September 28, 2011—Darryl Richards
 October 26, 2011—Landon Vick
 November 23, 2011—Brad Bleasdale
 December 28, 2011—Dennis Parker

Since our church supports the Cookeville Pregnancy Clinic, I would like to collect diapers for them during the month of July. My mom talked to her friend Nancy and she told her they could really use sizes 5 and 6 diapers. Every Sunday during July I will have a box in the hallway to collect diapers. I really hope you will donate some.
 Thank you, Hannah Twitty

~July Birthdays/Anniversaries~



7/2-Noelle Tatum
 7/5-Moriah Nyhof
 7/6-Tanya Christian
 7/12-Matt Dobbins
 7/18-Keeba Cunningham

Ecclesiastes 12:1
Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near of which you will say, "I have no pleasure in them";



7/1-Bain
 7/7-Wilkins
 7/10-Elmore
 7/22-Fesler, Stevens, Tatum
 7/24-Niemann, Robson
 7/30-Twitty

7/19-Catie Grace Hadlock
 7/22-Eva Vick, Carol Berg
 7/25-Bailey (Enochs) Lee
 7/28-Byron Bleasdale, Jack Elmore
 7/30-Mandy Walker, Wes Stevens

Proverbs 18:22
He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the LORD.



~July Nursery/Greeter Volunteers~

	7/3	7/10	7/17	7/24	7/31
SS Babies	Robson	E. Nyhof	Morse	McCall	Seitzinger
AM Worship	D. Enochs	Rust	Hoepfner	Cunningham	Richards
PM Worship	Cangelosi	Twitty	A. Farris	K. Farris	Hadlock
Greeters	Hodge	Seitzinger/Berg	J/D Enochs	Davis	Majewski

Summer Seaquest VBS Report

The week of June 20-23, 2011 saw amazing things happening at the Church Meeting House and Offices as the Summer Seaquest VBS "Journey to Ninevah" set sail. Grace Church hosted up to 30 sailors (children) each day aided by Commodore Cheryl Burks and Admiral Bomboy Bob (Andy) along with a large crew of captains, ensigns and first mates.

The sailors met some amazing storytellers- Petar the Pearl Diver (David Cunningham), Washed up Jonah (Rebekah Burks), Nessarrah the Nazerite (Rachel Parker), Worsabag the Worm (Daniel Mitchell) and Halthazar the Herald (DJ Cunningham). Gospel presentations were given daily by Chaplin Chappy Chapalousa (Caleb Cangelosi). Ensigns Slop Eye (Shelby Enochs) and Toil (Isaiah Mitchell) keep everyone laughing by their assembly antics. Silly songs were lead by Anna Richards, Annalee Cunningham, and Brandon Winston. The Galley crew (and Hawaiian luau ladies) were Pat Hoag, Marilyn Majewski, and Brenda Hicks. Captains (teachers) were Robin Twitty, Mary Richards, Barbara Davis, Kelly Farris, Taylor Enochs and Elizabeth Cangelosi. First mates (assistants) included Hannah Twitty, Rebekah Craig, Rebekah Burks, Isaiah Mitchell, Josiah Spickard, Cody Winston, Ashli Winston, Hannah Stewart, Corbin Rust, Greyson Farris, Micah Wilkins, Candice Lindsey. Music was lead by Captains Karen Fesler and Jan Stevens. Crafts were lead by Captains Jeanne Niemann and Ronda Winston. Recreation was lead by Captain Larry Walker. Photography was shared by Megan Headrick and Gabriel Mitchell. Megan Headrick was also assistant to Commodore Burks and also taught a class and helped in the nursery. Set designers were Bennett Henderson, Ray Barnhart and Andy Berg. The crew numbered over 41 and Commodore Burks and Admiral Bomboy give thanks to the Lord for each crew member and their hard work.

Thank you to all the parents who let their children participate. We trust that the children not only enjoyed their time, but that they know more and love Jesus more because of Summer Seaquest.

We had excitement in many ways- skits, songs, lessons, music, crafts and even the weather participated. The ship SS Homeport (the assembly backdrop) shipwrecked in Wednesday's storm and the VBS shifted indoors. The pool party at Cookeville Park and Recreation pool had to be moved to Algood Elementary due to the weather on Wednesday night. DJ Cunningham rescued both the Commodore's and the Admiral's vehicles from being stuck in the mud.

The children and helpers contributed \$62.77 to the daily special offering to go to the Mustard Seed Ranch in Putnam County. God was definitely building His Kingdom during VBS this year! Make plans to attend or help out next year!



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