

*Welcome to  
Grace Baptist Church  
August 24, 2008*

**TODAY AT GBC**

8:30 am	Traditional Service Nursery (0-30 mos.) Children's Church (2½ -5 years old)
9:45 am	Sunday School (all ages)
11:00 am	Contemporary Service Nursery (0-30 mos.) Children's Church (2½ -5 years old)

**THIS WEEK AT GBC**

Monday	8:30 am	Women's Prayer Meeting
	7:00 pm	Esther/Lydia Circle
Tuesday	Noon	Men's Basketball
	7:00 pm	Co-ed Volleyball (outdoors at Faith E Free)
	7:00 pm	Board of Deacons Meet
Wednesday	5:00 pm	AWANA New Leader Training
	7:00 pm	Middle & High School Fall Kick-Off
	7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	7:30 pm	AWANA Directors & Leaders Meeting
	8:00 pm	Traditional Worship Rehearsal
Thursday	Noon	Men's Basketball
	7:00 pm	Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

**NEXT SUNDAY**

8:30 am	Traditional Service
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship - No Sunday School
11:00 am	Contemporary Service

**NEW!**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Attention Ladies! A women's Bible study will begin September 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm. We will meet in Room 2 (located by Pastor Ray's office) on Monday evenings.

The topic will be "Joseph" of the Old Testament. We will have fun learning about Joseph and applying his principles to our everyday lives.

All ladies are welcome. Bring your Bible, notebook and pen or pencil.

For further information contact Bonita Shambaugh at 701-772-6570.

**AWANA**

**The time has come** once again for the end of summer, the beginning of fall and the start of the AWANA 2008-2009 season. AWANA is a program of Christ-centered development for pre-school thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade children and youth to know, love and serve Christ. Please fill out a registration form at the community center or at [www.go2grace.org/children/awana](http://www.go2grace.org/children/awana). We will have opening night on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:25 pm. If you are interested in helping with AWANA please contact Thomas McNaughton at [grace.awana@gmail.com](mailto:grace.awana@gmail.com).

**LIBRARY NEWS**

Suggested Reading: The library has a copy of **SAFELY HOME** by Alcorn. "Safely Home is not only a first class story; it's a bracing wake-up call about Christian persecution in China. You'll be challenged." *Chuck Colson*

**OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW**

**Bible Study**

Co-ed Bible Study, "*With Christ in the School of Prayer*," by Andrew Murray, meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month, 7:00 pm, at GBC. Contact: Harold Mindeman, 775-8072.

**Grief Share Support Group**

This is an ongoing ministry at Grace Baptist Church. We want to be available to provide comfort and share God's love for you at a time when you have lost a loved one due to death. If you, your family, or friends have a need for support in your grief, please call Rich or Cyndy Kinney, 746-6189.

**Single Parents/New Start**

*"Encourage Each Other and Give Each Other Strength"* 1 Thessalonians 5:11

The mission of this group is to come together, one on one or as a group, talking and sharing life's ups and downs. No matter what your situation is, we have all been there and are willing to listen. You are only a prayer away! Contact: Cathie Pearson, 775-1085.

**Women's Ministry**

*"The Wounded Heart"* - Hope for adult victims of childhood sexual abuse. For more information, contact Sharon Morken, 218-857-3378.

**Women's Retreat**

Crystal Springs Camp will be hosting a Women's Retreat, September 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>. Author and speaker Nancy Wilson will be speaking on the theme "Bride of Christ". For more information contact Crystal Springs Camp at (701) 486-3467 or email [office@csbcamp.org](mailto:office@csbcamp.org). Registration forms are available on the bulletin board by the community center.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

**Mercy Ministries**

Would you like to help provide meals for people in our Grace fellowship who are sick, had surgery, had a baby, experienced a family death or other crisis? Contact: Marie Derman, 772-3387, or [mederman@gra.midco.net](mailto:mederman@gra.midco.net)

**Serving Units**

A ministry where families can serve the church body by volunteering their time to set up, clean up and/or provide food for various events such as college meals, funerals, potlucks, etc. This is also a great way to get to know other people. Contact: Vickie Stomberg, 218-773-3726, or [rvwolfden@gra.midco.net](mailto:rvwolfden@gra.midco.net).

## FINANCIAL REPORT

**Last Week** August 17, 2008

General Tithes/Offerings	\$ 8,316
Approved Budget	<u>\$11,415</u>
Surplus or (shortfall)	(\$3,099)

**Year-to-Date** as of 7/31/08

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Variance</b>
General Tithes/Offerings	\$321,775	\$346,242	(\$24,467)
Expenditures	<u>\$307,598</u>	<u>\$346,242</u>	<u>\$38,644</u>
Surplus or (shortfall)	\$14,177	-	\$14,177

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## GBC WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE

### **North American Baptist Conference**

- **NCA Prayer Link of the Week:** New Leipzig Baptist Church, New Leipzig, ND - Al & Sandy Gaines
- **International Missionaries of the Week:** Lyndell Campbell, Brazil - Please pray for Lyndell's students to grow as they study His Word. Pray for her to have more opportunities to minister through word and song. Pray also for students in the school's lay leadership program to be well-prepared to reach their communities for Christ.

### **Prayer Requests**

- **Our Military** - Pray for God's provision for our soldiers and their families & for God's guidance & wisdom for our nation's leaders.

### **Those Who Are Grieving**

- **Conway, Myrna (Hoop)** - at the passing of her husband, Chuck.
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## THANK YOU

Thank you for the cards, calls and prayers following my surgery. I wish also to thank the mercy ministry for providing the meals. I give thanks to God for all of you.