News From Grace 02-17-2022

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#### **Body Life Meeting**

Last October the Body voted to take steps toward making a decision to incorporate this year. The Ministry Council has been working to develop new governing documents based on our current Bylaws as part of this process. At the special Body Life meeting on February 6, the Body voted to consider approving a new Constitution and Bylaws for review and approval at the next Body Life to be held on February 27, 6PM in the Worship Center. There have been 3 Town Halls to date and there will be one more in the Chilton room on February 20, 6PM to discuss, review, and answer questions about the proposed new governing documents and Incorporation. If the Body chooses to proceed with incorporation, an "Organizational Meeting" will be held as part of the Body Life on February 27. Further details on the motions that are necessary at that meeting will be covered at the Town Halls and are listed on our website here. The proposed Constitution and Bylaws are posted on this webpage and paper copies will be available at the Town Halls, foyer, and church office. Please contact Pastor Kirk at khorton@gracehome.org if you have any questions.

## DISCOVERGRACE

### Discover Grace - February 19

Discover Grace will be Saturday, February 19 at 9AM, in the Chilton Room. This is an opportunity to get a fuller picture of our church and meet our staff. It is also the first step towards membership (attendance comes with no obligation). Lunch & childcare are provided. To sign-up see Ben Knisley today in the North Foyer, email him at bknisley@gracehome.org, or call the church office at 703-670-5032

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"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ"

- 2 Pet 3:18

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# Serve in Children's Ministry

#### 8:15AM Nursery Restart

Children's Ministry is looking for volunteers who can serve once a month during the 8:15AM worship hour. Contact Nancy Turner at nturner@gracehome.org or 703-670-5032 x311 for more information or to volunteer.



## Student Spring Retreat - Fully Living

Grace Students are hosting a Spring Event. Below are the details about this event:

When: Friday, March 4, 5PM - 9PM & Saturday, March 5, 10AM - 8PM (Lunch & Dinner provided).

Where: Grace Baptist Church campus

Theme: Fully Living

**Verse:** For to me; to live is Christ and to die is gain. Philippians

1:21

**Cost:** \$30 per student (bring a friend and split the cost - \$15 per person) and includes a t-shirt if you register by February 17.

Registration: is open now and closes on March 2.

Click here to register.

Email Ethan Young at eyoung@gracehome.org with any questions.



## Holy Week at Grace

Mark your calendar for these special worship times during Holy Week at Grace.

- Maundy Thursday Worship Service, April 14, 7PM for a time of worship through communion and song.
- Good Friday Experience, Friday, April 15, 6AM-8PM, an interactive experience of the stations of the cross.
- Resurrection Sunday Service, April 17 at 10AM on the Grace Lawn.

## Weekend to Remember for Couples

Family Llfe will host a Weekend to Remember event in Reston, Virginia from April 29 - May 1. The Donarski's, from our church, will be attending this event and would like to invite other Grace couples to join them for this event. If you would like more information or to find out how to register and use the Donarski discount, please email Cammie Donarski at cmdonarski@gmail.com or call 703-499-1210.



## An Invitation to Student Parents from our Youth Pastor

Hello Parents,

I hope 2022 is going well for you! My family and I arrived here several weeks ago and are slowly getting settled into our "new to us" house. We have felt super welcomed and loved at the church, so thank you all for that!

On Wednesday night, February 23, from 6:45PM - 7:45PM in the

Fellowship Hall, my wife, Emily and I would love to meet with all the parents of all 6th-12th grade students to kick off our ministry together reaching and discipling our students for Christ. Dwight L. Moody is quoted saying, "If I could relive my life, I would devote my entire ministry to reaching children for God!" Now let me first say that I don't view 6th -12th graders as children but the idea Dwight L. Moody is sharing still stands. Ministry to the next generation is of utmost importance.

We are so thankful to God to be here and are expecting big things for this year.

See you February 23! Ethan Young Youth Pastor

### Welcoming New Afghan Refugees

Interested in befriending an Afghan refugee family and helping them navigate life in America? In Jesus' earthly ministry, He addressed both physical and spiritual needs. Similarly, the vision of this friendship initiative is to love our new neighbors by meeting earthly needs like advice or hands-on help, as well as meeting spiritual needs through prayer and sharing the gospel.

The following training will be provided via Zoom:

#### **TRAINING 1**

## CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS WHILE REACHING OUT TO AFGHANS

This will cover some dos and don't, just a tad of language as well as a reminder of why we are doing this.

Friday, March 25, 2022 - 7:00PM - 9:00PM

#### **TRAINING 2**

#### SHARING YOUR FAITH WITH YOUR MUSLIM FRIENDS

This will cover a super-duper quick intro to Islam as well as a tool or two when sharing the Lord with our dear Muslim friends.

- Friday, February 18, 2022 7:00PM 9:00PM
- Thursday, March 24, 2022 7:00PM 9:00PM

For more information or to register, click <a href="here">here</a> for the website or <a href="here">here</a> to read more about it. If you have any questions, please contact <a href="Andrew Rice">Andrew Rice</a> at <a href="mailto:andrew.j.rice1@gmail.com">andrew.j.rice1@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:Jan Easton">Jan Easton</a> at <a href="mailto:deechop@aol.com">deechop@aol.com</a>

### **Giving**

## Giving for February 12/13

\$35,613 Weekly Income Budget: Checks & Cash Total \$20,321 Electronic \$20,652 Total Checks, Cash & Electronic \$40,953