

# Grace Evangelical Church

Welcome to our Family

December 25, 2016

*“And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.”*

Luke 2:12

**This Morning: “The Sign”**

Senior Pastor: Darrell Jones

Administrative Pastor: Chris Olson

Counseling/Care Pastor: Dennis Jennings Young Adult/Families Pastor: Ken Maxey

Senior Ministries Pastor: Dave Ernst

Children’s Pastor: Dan Blakely

Discipleship Pastor: Jason Davis

Youth Pastor: Nick Pierce

Worship Leaders: Phil Magana & Jeremy Sharp

## THIS WEEK

**Sunday** 10:00am..... Christmas Worship Service  
**Monday** ..... Church office closed for Christmas Holiday  
5:30pm ..... Valley Community Food Kitchen  
**Tuesday** ..... India Mission Team to India  
..... ReSet Youth Retreat to KC  
..... RENEWAL Leadership Team to Branson  
6:00pm ..... Worship Team Practice in Sanctuary  
**Wednesday** 3:30pm ..... Nursing Home Ministry at LaVerna  
..... NO Mid-Week Ministry at Church  
**Thursday** 12:00pm ..... **All-Church Prayer Meeting in Library**  
..... ReSet Youth Retreat Returning to Grace  
6:30pm ..... Worship Team Practice in Sanctuary  
**Friday** 6:00am..... **Early Morning Prayer by the Fireplace**  
1:00pm ..... Church office closes for New Year Holiday

## PRAY FOR OUR TRAVELING TEAMS

We have several teams traveling during this time of year, we are asking you to keep these teams and their families in your prayers.

>ReSet Youth are traveling for their Winter Retreat from 12/27 – 12/29.

>RENEWAL Leadership Team, traveling from 12/27 – 12/29.

>India Mission Team will be traveling from 12/27/16 – 1/9-17.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

We will not have Sunday School for the next two Sundays. Christmas and New Year’s. Enjoy this time with your family.

## NURSING HOME MINISTRY

We will be visiting LaVerna of St Joseph on **Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm**. Join us as we bless the residents with our time and encouragement. We are also looking for someone to make 2 dozen cupcakes for this event, if you can help, please contact Pastor Dave.

## SINGLES EVENTS

> Let’s celebrate the new year by cheering on the KC Chiefs! **Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, at 3:00pm** we will gather in the ReSet room to eat some pizza (please sign up) and watch the Chiefs beat the Chargers. Bring some snacks to munch on during game time.

> Join us on **Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30pm** in the ReSet room as we explore what it means to have a Life Verse. We will throw in some fun and give away a prize or two. Sign up so we know how much chili and cornbread to make.

> Sign up at the kiosk, or talk with Pastor Dave for more details.

## ECUADOR MISSION TRIP

**MANTA, ECUADOR** - Trip dates are **April 20<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**. Cost is \$1,815 per person. The team will be involved in a building project and evangelistic outreach. If interested in this trip, please attend the meeting on **Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:15pm in room 206**.

## HOLIDAY PARK

**Nativity Set Tear Down:** We are looking for volunteers to help remove the Nativity Set from Krug Park. We will meet at the Nativity Set on **Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 10:00am**. The job is usually finished before noon. Please sign up at the Information Desk if you can help.

## DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING

As we move into the new year we are making changes to our first Thursday prayer and fasting schedule. We are asking the church to individually make this a priority in their lives. We hold open prayer meetings in the library at **11am and 12pm** on the **FIRST** Thursday of every month, then on **Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup>** we are starting something new. David and Sara Montgomery will be facilitating a **WEEKLY** prayer gathering from **6:30-7:30pm**. These gatherings are open to anyone. There will be a short time of worship and then the rest of the hour will be spent seeking the Lord in prayer.

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST FOR JANUARY**

Due to a scheduling conflict, the men's fellowship ministry has been gracious enough to move their event to the Golden Corral on North Belt Highway. **Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30am**, we will enjoy a hearty breakfast (your dime) and listen to a word from our guest Steve Sewell. We should be good for all other events to take place at church unless otherwise stated.

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENT**

We will start off our new year with Mentor.ING **Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 – 11:30am in the ReSet room**. Jamie Noble, with Big Brothers Big Sisters, Ruth Costello founder of Grace House, and Becky Gillies with MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) will share their journey as mentors, and opportunities for others to mentor within their programs. Sign up at the information desk and join us for a light breakfast and wonderful fellowship. Childcare provided.

### **MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM GRACE**

Enjoy the 2017 scripture calendar, available in the lobby today, as our gift to you. (One per family, please.)



Bibles in the back of the sanctuary.  
If you forgot one, borrow one;  
If you don't have one, take one.

### **WEATHER CANCELLATIONS**

If there is need to cancel a service due to bad weather, we will use our One Call Service to notify you. If you need to update your phone number, please call the office at 279-2090.