

Thank you for participating

in June's 6K Mission of the Month and offering support through running, praying and your donations!

Together, we raised \$3,400.

That's 60 people who now have water!





Grace's Mission Project of the Month for June will be to support SafeHaven in Arlington. SafeHaven is the largest and most comprehensive agency in Tarrant County providing services at no cost to domestic violence victims. They provide 24-hour care and transitional housing to families seeking their first taste of independence. Clients under the care of SafeHaven receive counseling, legal services, case managements and more. They also provide trained bilingual advocates as necessary.

SafeHaven is in need of items for women, children, including teenage boys and girls, and pregnant women. Many times these mothers and children leave with only the clothing they are wearing. The following is a list of items members of Grace may use to support this worthy project.

- Underwear for women, children of all ages, including teen boys and girls; bras of various sizes.
- ♦ Socks, various sizes
- T-shirts/shorts play clothes; are in need of sizes 6-8 and 12-16 for older children
- Hygienic items: shampoo and conditioner, body washes, body lotions
- Books for children and adults (They are NOT in need of board games). These can be books from your shelves.
- They will also accept devotional booklets, such as Portals of Prayer. Consider past copies.

This organization and its clients are always in need of our prayers, but we ask that you set aside special time during the month of June to pray for both SafeHaven personnel and those they service. Your support is appreciated.



Learning Today to Build a Better Tomorrow

June 2021

Dear Grace Family,

St. Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 10:15 "Our hope is that, as your faith continues to grow, our area of activity among you will greatly expand." We have a two prong strategy of building the kingdom of Christ through Lutheran education and building the country of Liberia through education so students can move beyond poverty. Our student enrollment is the poorest of the poor in Liberia. One U. S. Dollar is equivalent to \$175 Liberian Dollars. With the population of Liberia of five million and over 43% of the population age 15 and under, you can see we have a real opportunity to make a difference in Liberia.

I am excited to share with you what God is doing with Perry Smith's schools in Liberia. We currently have 165 students in both schools. Last year we helped Perry with getting a non-profit government designation and also building a website at www.lovingliberia.com. We found it beneficial to do business as Loving Liberia for marketing purposes as you can see from our website. This year we are renovating his school in Monrovia and hopefully building a new school in Gays Zahn Town where Perry grew up. Our goal is to be certified by the Liberian government which will get us a subsidy for school operation. Perry will be going to Liberia on June 13, 2021 to work with the government on subsidy, purchase 40 acres of land in Gays Zahn Town, begin building a guest house on the new property, and pricing out building a wall around the campus in Monrovia.

As you can see we have a very aggressive agenda for 2021. We are adding student pictures to our website so those who feel led to sponsor a student for \$30 a month can join us in this ministry. \$30 a month pays for the student's uniform, all educational material and the cost of education that is supplied by well trained teachers. We also will be doing a Go Fund Me page very soon seeking to match a gift of \$5,000 that was recently gifted. Please continue to keep Loving Liberia in your prayers.

In Jesus' name,

Pastor Hildebrandt

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Did you know that the church calendar is available ONLINE at grace.lc? <u>CLICK HERE</u>

(https://grace.lc/events-activities/calendar)

to access it. Any calendar changes and/or additions made in the church office are updated online in real time!

Your Elders Are Here for You

If there is any way we can assist you with any spiritual needs or physical concerns do not hesitate to contact your elder. If you need their contact information, please request it by calling the church at 817-274-1626 or email: cjackson@grace.lc.

New to Grace? Reference the adjacent list. If your last name begins with "Y" for example, Keith Mangels would be your assigned elder.

Joe Masterson

ELDERS & THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERS

Ernie Owens A-B
Hank Jacobs C-E
David Swille F-H
Mike Kennedy I-L
Mike Curtis M-O
Ernie Owens P-R
Joe Masterson S
Keith Mangels T-Z
Head Elder:

Joe Masterson

We would welcome you as an Altar Guild volunteer. We are behind the scenes workers. We work at glorifying God by keeping the sanctuary and narthex clean, organized and decorated for any given season. Please contact Susan White if you are interested: 972-979-2188.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE?

Get Connected

Connect with the body online this summer by joining in any time with one or all of our **Open Groups** to "Get Social"! For those viewing the newsletter online, click on the links below to sign up. For those reading the newsletter in print form, please type in the link below to sign up, or you may call the church office at 817-274-1626 to reserve your spot. Some groups are held online via Zoom (click here to learn how to use it).

This same information can be found on the church website at https://grace.lc/get-connected.

friends!

Social Groups

Social groups are open to everyone and offer opportunity to connect and socialize with the body.

Bible Journaling - Exercise your crafting skills by making a

creative response to God's Word using a variety of techniques. We connect with the Lord and apply His Word in our lives using the gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Through drawing, journaling, and art you can document your walk with God leaving a legacy of faith.



- Hosted by Alison Roth
- 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 10:00 am
- <u>Click here</u> for a supply list
- Sign up <u>here</u>

Book Club – Taking a break over the summer for now, we will start again in-person in September!

- Hosted by Ruth Brown
- 3rd Wednesdays at 4:00 pm
- Sign up here
- Zoom link



Tuesday Night BasketballPlay a game and enjoy fellowship with family and

- Held in-person at the Gym in the Family Life Center
- Tuesday nights at 7:30 pm
- Contact Jim Runzheimer for more information
 <u>unz-law@att.net</u>





Grace Young Adults (GYA) – Whether you are currently in college, or starting out in the work force, come join the fellowship for some real friendship and real talk. We either Zoom or meet up in a socially distanced manner to enjoy our time together.

- Hosted by Richard Del Cristo, Jr.
- 4th Fridays at 7 pm
- Sign up here
- Zoom link

Email jdelcristo@grace.lc

if you have any questions about these groups before signing up or attending!

Memorials and Honorariums

A Memorial is a monetary gift, given to the Glory of God, to a Grace Ministry Fund as a living memorial in memory of loved one or a friend.

An Honorarium is a monetary gift, given to the Glory of God, to a Grace Ministry Fund as a living tribute of a loved one's or friend's special achievement, deed or celebration.

The following Memorials have been received by Grace Ministries in memory of **Diane Baumann:**

General Fund by: The Rev. Richard & Paula Noack and family, Jim & Jane Haner, Sonia Berndt, Eric & Bette Rathjen, Diane Nelsen

GLEE Ministry by: The Rev. & Mrs. Fred Gersch

Media Ministry by: John & Donita Spawr, Tommy & Delores Smith

Mission of the Month (World Vision Water) by: Gene & Vickie Rosentreter

Music Ministry by: Roland & Kay Savant, Santa George

BIRTHDAYS

- 6/1 Michael Chavez
- 6/3 Katy Schmidt
- 6/3 Nancy Helm
- 6/3 Shelley Savant
- 6/4 Devon Scoggins
- 6/4 Gladys Moran
- 6/4 Maryann Jacobs
- 6/5 Rebecca Leppert
- 6/6 Santa George
- 6/7 Brent Reynolds
- 6/7 Faye Panzer
- 6/7 Mark Joeckel
- 6/7 Regan Nielsen
- 6/8 Auna Hudson
- 6/8 Michael Smith
- 6/10 Josh Smith
- 6/10 Karen Widger
- 6/10 Zachary Rubel
- 6/11 Glenn Moretz
- 6/12 Stephanie Schmidt
- 6/13 James Schmidt Jr.
- 6/14 Alison Roth
- 6/14 Sasha Seefeldt
- 6/15 Robert Matthys
- 6/16 Bill Hertel
- 6/16 Max Widner
- 6/18 Gene Rosentreter
- 6/18 Greg Brown
- 6/18 Severt Nielsen
- 6/20 Matthew Huse
- 6/20 Richard Crossman

JUNE



anniversaries

- 6/21 Andrew Swille
- 6/21 David Joeckel
- 6/21 James Schmidt
- 6/22 Mason DeVries
- 6/24 Macy Parker
- 6/25 Hannah Westbrook
- 6/26 Flavio Enriquez
- 6/27 Eileen Watkins
- 6/27 Patrick Curtis
- 6/28 Chelyn Richmond-Huzarevich
- 6/28 Michael Baumann
- 6/29 Jake Reynolds
- 6/29 Linda Johnson

Benevolence Ministry

The Benevolence Ministry was honored to serve the family of Diane Baumann on May 6, 2021 following the Memorial Service which honored her life. With deepest appreciation, we acknowledge the Grace family members who generously contributed to the funeral meal in various ways to express our condolences and comfort to the Baumann family. Those providing food were: Betty Auth, Karen Bornsen, Joanne Boyle, Erika Brown, Ruth Brown, Joanne Elmers, Sharon Folks, Santa George, Nancy Grieser, Ginny Hankins, Wayne Hankins, Nancy Helm, Marilyn Jones, Lou Ann Kersten, Nancy McCormick, Chris Owens, Betty Rathjen, Tracey Rukavina, Patty Smith, Delores Smith, and Jenny Tatrow. Those who lovingly served as hostesses were Beverly Gilbert, Ginny Hankins, Marilyn Jones, Vickie Rosentreter, Joanne Elmers, Nancy McCormick and Lyn Mangels. Set up in the Family Life Center was done by Pastor Widger, Joanne and Joe Elmers, Nancy McCormick and Tommy and Delores Smith. The host of volunteers who worked to take down and clean up following the meal were Joanne Boyle, Joe & Joanne Elmers, Wayne and Ginny

Hankins, Joe Masterson, Vickie & Gene Rosentreter, John Rukavina, Patty Smith and Tommy and Delores Smith.

Words can never express the deep appreciation we have for the willing service of our Grace family who participate in this Ministry at the time a family is grieving the loss of a loved one. If you would like to help with preparing food or serving in any way with this Benevolence Ministry, please contact one of the funeral meal committee members: Delores Smith (817-454-9154); Lynn Mangels (817-713-4604) or the church office.

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/2 Shahid & Lindsay Ali
- 6/4 Greg & Jan Brown
- 6/6 Joe & Nancy Masterson
- 6/9 Gary & Rebecca Reed
- 6/12 Bill & Donna Hertel
- 6/12 Josh & Sarah Smith
- 6/13 Howard & Dawn Stacy
- 6/15 Brian & Ann Bassett
- 6/20 David & Cathy Taylor
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- 6/20 Eric & Bette Rathjen
- 6/20 Rod & Becky Giesselmann
- 6/22 Arnold & Santa George
- 6/22 Scott & Chelsie Schlesinger
- 6/24 Glenn & Mary Moretz
- 6/24 Jeff & Nikki Patton
- 6/25 David & Reecanne Joeckel
- 6/25 James & Jan Runzheimer
- 6/27 Red & Susan Hoar
- 6/29 Miguel & Jessica Nieves