

**2017 Theme Verses:** "Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in all things give thanks, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus ." 1 Thess. 5:16-18

## Welcome to the Grace Brethren Church of Norwalk

March 26, 2017

### Services at Grace:

#### Sunday School: 9:30am

*Class: 3 - 5 yrs. old (Kinder.)*

*Teacher: Carroll Ann Perkins*

*Class: 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade (5A)*

*Teacher: Robin Predmore*

*Class: Adults (6B)*

*Teacher: Dave Goodwyn*

*Class: New Members (Pastor's Study)*

*Teacher: Pastor Jeff*

*Class: 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (KIDMO)*

*Teacher: Lisa Patton*

*Class: DRIVEN (Jr. & Sr. High)*

*Teacher: Timothy Lansing*

*Class: Adults (Conf. Rm.)*

*Teacher: Ron Muir*

*Class: Young Adults (9:15am)*

*Teachers: Sebastian B. & Tim R.*

#### Praise & Worship Service: 10:45am

Children's Church for 3-5 years old & K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade meets after the opening and our Nursery is available now for infants through 2 years old.

Please see an usher if you need assistance. Thank you.

### Serving Today:

**Worship Leader:** Joey Ramirez; **Teacher:** Pastor Jeff Patton

**Ushers:** Tom Bickenbach-Lead, Benny Ramirez, Ron Muir & Matt Hurtado

**Nursery:** SS: Leticia & Clansy; **Worship:** Ruth & Lisa

**Children's Church:** 3yrs.-5yrs.:Clansy & Andrew , K-3rd: Dennis & Leticia

### MISSIONS NEWS:

Please pick up one of Wayne & Ellen Patton's prayer letters located on the missionary table in the foyer or go to their website at: [www.pattsons.org](http://www.pattsons.org). and please remember to keep them in your prayers for their safety, health, and ministry in Brazil.

### Church Announcements:

#### "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" to:

Linda Down

March 26

Martin Reynaga

March 29

Lani McDougall

March 30

Victor Pearce

March 30

#### URGENT NEED FOR GIFT CARDS:

Due to some pressing needs and lack of gift cards, the Care Commission would like to ask if you would please donate a grocery card (\$25 or \$50) or a gasoline card (\$25) to meet the needs of our church family. Please drop off your gift card(s) in the church office or give to Robert Kimsey. Thank you so much.

#### SAVE THE DATE:

#### "VACATION BIBLE CLUB" = VBC

#### OPERATION ARCTIC —

#### EXPLORING THE COOLEST BOOK

#### ON THE PLANET

Grace Brethren Church of Norwalk

July 24-28, 2017 from 9am-noon

If you are interested in helping in some way, please see or text Laura Kimsey (562-458-3866), VBC & Children's Coordinator.



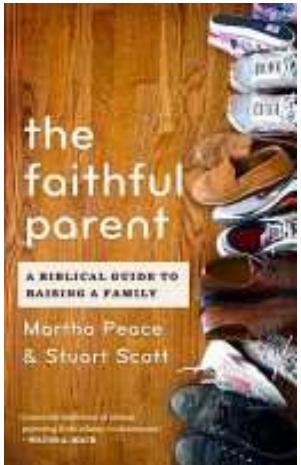
#### HEIGHTS OF GRACE MINISTRY NEED:

We are in need of additional cans of food to take on Saturdays for the homeless and hungry. If you would be willing to bring 1 or more cans of food (such as beans, fruits, veggies, etc), please bring to Ron Muir's Sunday School room – 6A /Conference room.

Thanks so much for your generosity.

## "Wind & Waves" (page 2)

Chapter 10 overflows with hope by offering a month of daily devotionals for parents struggling with a very difficult child, or with a child who has rejected the Gospel and is not born again. Each chapter of *The Faithful Parent* includes helpful, practical daily tasks and thoughts for parenting in a way that pleases God and blesses your child. The book is full of charts that make the information easy to understand and apply. Scott and Peace write in a warm, encouraging, straightforward style from both Scripture and their own personal experience as parents. If you would like to donate a copy of this book to the church library that is being assembled, please contact Pastor Jeff.



(If you have missed any of Pastor's notes, please see the Pastor's Blog on our church website: [www.GraceLive.com](http://www.GraceLive.com).)

### **NOTE FROM PASTOR**



### **"Wind & Waves"**

### ***You Gotta Read This! (YGRT!)***

*"Behold, children are a gift from the LORD."* - Psalm 127:3

**"The Faithful Parent: A Biblical Guide to Raising A Family"** by Stuart Scott & Martha Peace, 2010, P&R Publishing, 241 pages, \$11.99.

Parents and children need help from the One who is Perfect, who understands our need, and who can really help us - God Himself. The most important relationship in your family is your relationship with God - that's the relationship that is emphasized in *The Faithful Parent* - encouragement to persevere in parenting in a biblical way and leaving the results to God. *The Faithful Parent* has 10 easy-to-read chapters; individually giving clear, practical, biblical counsel for parenting infants, toddlers, preschoolers, school-age children, and teenagers. Chapter 7 is a deeply convicting biblical discussion of Ephesians 6:4 and Colossians 3:21, presenting 15 ways parents provoke their children to anger and discouragement. Chapter 9 offers wonderful encouragement with specialized biblical counsel for single parents, divorced parents, homes where one parent is gone a lot or out of the picture temporarily, grandparent problems, when one parent is a believer in Jesus but the other parent is not, and parenting a child with special needs (see page 2).



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