

Welcome
Grace Norwalk

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**HOPE CITY
CHURCH**



PURPOSE

helping people **experience the HOPE** found in a life-changing relationship with Jesus

1 LOVE | unconditionally **VALUES**
because Jesus first loved us, we compassionately love others

[John 13:34-35; 1 John 4:10-11, 1 John 3:16-18, Matthew 22:37-39]

2 REACH | intentionally
because Jesus is our hope, we aim to reach every generation with His message of salvation

[1 Corinthians 9:22-23; Matthew 28:19-20; Luke 10:1-3]

3 TEACH | transformationally
because Jesus changes lives, we teach all scripture to form faithful followers of Jesus

[Romans 12:1-2; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Mark 6:34]

4 SERVE | relationally
because Jesus came to serve not be served, we strive to sacrificially serve others together

[Mark 10:45; 1 Peter 4:10]

5 SEND | courageously
because Jesus sends us, we send teams, missionaries, and resources to plant new churches locally and globally

[Acts 13:2-3; Matthew 28:19-20]

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Today at Grace

July 9, 2023

Worship Service - Spanish (*Rm D101*): **9:00am**

Bible Classes: **9:00am**

Grace Gathering in the Courtyard: **10:15am**

Worship Service - English (*Worship Center*): **10:45am***

Grace Kids Worship (*Rm B105*): **10:45am**

*Grace Students to join the Main Worship Service today

SERMON

Pastor Oscar Chavez

Value # 2

REACH

Matthew 28:19-20

Grace Kids | Cedarbrook Camp

6 of our Grace Kids & 2 of our Grace Students will be heading off to camp July 16-22 for a week filled with great relationships, worship, time in God's Word and lots of nature to enjoy! Pray for these 8 students along with two of our moms that will be volunteering as well.

Grace Students | Momentum Youth Conference

4 of our Grace Students, along with Tim & Janine, will be heading off to Indiana July 17-25 for a week filled with great worship, challenges from God's Word and lots of fun activities! Pray for these students as they will be serving Jesus and growing in Him.



Happy Birthday

Jacob Sincock
Cheryl Sincock

Tue July 11
Sat July 15

THIS WEEK @ GRACE

Ironmen Bible Study (RmC103)	Tue	July 11	6:30pm
Gonzalez Small Group (Gonzalez Home)	Tue	July 11	7:00pm
Bible Studies (English & Spanish)	Fri	July 14	6:30pm
Grace Students & Grace Kids	Fri	July 14	6:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pastor's Conference (Tampa Bay, Florida)	July 11-13		
Momentum Youth Conference (Marion, IN.)	July 17-23		
Congregational Meeting	Sun	July 23	12:30pm

Access
July 11-13, 2023
Minister's Conference

Attendance Last Week: In-Person Service: 82

Online views:29

Caring About What People Care About

Nothing shows what we care about more clearly than how we spend our time. Time is a precious gift—one we cannot get back once it's given. In today's account of Jesus, we see His compassion in action and His willingness to make it personal: He uses His time to care about what someone else cares about.

A desperately hopeful father interrupts Jesus in the middle of a serious lesson on fasting:

While he was saying this, a synagogue leader came and knelt before him and said, "My daughter has just died. But come and put your hand on her, and she will live." Matthew 9:18 NIV

Clearly, this man is in desperate need of Jesus.

We understand that desperation from his willingness to approach Jesus in the first place. For the most part, the religious leaders of the day were anti-Jesus, because He called them out publicly for the ways they used their power to take advantage of people. But this father had just lost his daughter. She was dead. So, he had *no other option* than to humble himself before Jesus, admitting his need and hoping Jesus would choose to help.

Here's what Jesus **did not** do. He didn't say, "Oh, bummer, I'm so sorry. I'll be praying for you." Nor did He get annoyed by the interruption of His teaching. He didn't even sit there and heal the girl from afar, though He could have! Instead, He *immediately* stopped the sermon, got up, and followed the man to his home. Jesus chose to use His time to **show love** in this situation. Simply put, Jesus cared about what this man cared about. And He backed it with action. Remember, this is how people are able to tell that we follow Jesus: by how we love. In fact, Jesus literally said: "*By this **everyone will know** that you are my disciples, if you love one another*" (John 13:35 NIV). A really simple way to demonstrate this love is by taking an interest in what's important to someone else and backing it with action. Like Jesus did.

Challenge: How can you step into someone else's world today? It could be as simple as asking them how a particular hobby or activity is going and actively and intentionally listening to their answer. Maybe you can show up at their next baseball game or open mic to support them. Get creative and lead with love