



Grace Baptist Church is



A Great Place To Grow in Christ

For the Entire Family

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| Sunday May 22, 2016 |
| This Weeks Events |
| Today: 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Life of Jesus</i> —Pastor 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Lords Supper</i> —All who are Saved and Baptized are invited to partake. (Grange)— <i>Remembering the Lord</i> —Pastor 6:00PM: (Grange)— <i>Deeper Diggings: Forgiveness</i> —Pastor |
| Upcoming Events |
| Jun 5, 2016: 2:00PM: (Firlane) — <i>Shut in Saints</i> —Brother Matt Coale |
| September 11-14, 2016: EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS— <i>SAM GIPP</i> |

Memorial to the Lord

By Ron Coale, Pastor

The Bible does not say how often a church should have he Lord’s supper. The closest thing that it says regarding this communion with the Lord is “...as oft as ye drink it,” (1 Cor. 11:25). As the Lord speaks to my heart as the pastor, I schedule it for our church. This Morning is that time.

If you are a saved and baptized member of the body of Christ, we of course invite you to sup with us. Some churches have different beliefs on this subject. The church that practices “Closed Communion” does not allow anyone who is not a member of that particular church to partake. The “Open Communion” church invites everyone, saved or unsaved to partake. We are a “Close Communion” church. We invite anyone who is saved and baptized to partake. Because we don’t feel as though we are the “Salvation Police,” we leave that up to you and the Lord to determine if you are doing right by supping with us. We only encourage you to eat and drink worthily to the Lord.

This Memorial Day, as we remember those fallen men and women who gave their life for this country, let’s not forget who gave the most of all—The Lord Jesus Christ.~

MEMORIAL DAY

"Three years after the Civil War ended, the head of an organization of Union veterans established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared that Decoration Day should be observed on May 30."



The first large observance was held at Arlington National Cemetery.

The ceremonies centered around the mourning-draped veranda of the Arlington mansion, once the home of Gen. Robert E. Lee. Various Washington officials, including Gen. and Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, presided over the ceremonies. After speeches, children from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan Home and members of the Grand Army of the Republic made their way through the cemetery, strewing flowers on both Union and Confederate graves, reciting prayers and singing hymns.

In 1966, Congress and President Lyndon Johnson declared Waterloo, N.Y., the "birthplace" of Memorial Day. There, a ceremony on May 5, 1866, honored local veterans who had fought in the Civil War. Businesses closed and residents flew flags at half-staff.

By the end of the 19th century, Memorial Day ceremonies were being held on May 30 throughout the nation. State legislatures passed proclamations designating the day, and the Army and Navy adopted regulations for proper observance at their facilities.

It was not until after World War I, however, that the day was expanded to honor those who have died in all American wars. In 1971, Memorial Day was declared a national holiday by an act of Congress, though it is still often called Decoration Day. It was then also placed on the last Monday in May, as were some other federal holidays.

To ensure the sacrifices of America's fallen heroes are never forgotten, in December 2000, the U.S. Congress passed and the president

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Robert and Sherah Trump Missionaries to Germany



Make ye mention to the nations. . . Jer. 4:16



Dear Saints in the Lord,

April 2016

I'm glad to be writing you again. The month of April seemed to be a return to business as usual. Considering the events of the last couple of months, that's a blessing.

I'm happy to inform you that I slept for the most part throughout the month of April. This has been the best thing for me health wise and I've experienced improvements with my overall health since. Your prayers have been heard.

My weight remains 133 pounds, so I finally broke down and bought new clothes. I still feel pain when I jog, or simply when I jump up and down a few times, but I have accepted that this chronic condition is exactly that. All things considered, I am grateful. I have less pain in general in my side (amen!)

A couple of things happened in April that are worthy of note, one of those being the passing of my beloved pastor and teacher Dr. Peter Ruckman. Many great things have been said about his life and will yet be said, but for my part, I'd like to say that he taught me to do right and to love the things of God. I count myself fortunate to have been influenced by him.

I had the roughest conversation with Branko this last month. As most of you know, Branko is a Croatian Roman Catholic (more so by profession than practice), and we've been friends with him for a year and a half. One night, before we ate dinner at our home, I asked him if he would pray. I had always prayed before the meal and he didn't know what to say. I told him to say anything relevant to our being together for a meal, or perhaps to pray some things that I usually prayed, but he couldn't find a word. Well, that was the beginning of a long night.

At the end of the meal, we got into a conversation about lying and what God thinks about it. He said that God didn't think much about it, but that things like murder were a problem. Sherah then piped up and said that she was a murderer, because the Bible says that he that hates his brother is a murderer. This shocked Branko immensely, because he sees both of us as two of the finest "Christians" he knows. I proceeded to tell him that many of the biblical writers were murderers, and that sent him into even more confusion and uneasiness.

We sat at the table with the Bible open for hours and there were times when I thought that he was going to walk out on us. Trembling, he said that he thought

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he would go to heaven, because he's a Catholic. I showed him that that wouldn't do, and he said, "Where are your crosses and statues!? I know many Christian people and they have crosses with Jesus on them, and other statues that they pray to!" I told him plainly, "I don't have any. The Bible doesn't condone that anyway, but actually teaches the opposite."

That night for the first time I think, Branko learned the proper definition of sin and God's view of it. I stressed the new birth again and the conversation actually ended on a lighter note and he heartily thanked me before leaving. Since then, I've met up with him to help him fix his shed and he's been at our place like usual, every week on Wednesday. Since then, each time I've met with him, I've told him that he needed to be born again, and he has actually brought up the discussion of sin himself. Please keep praying for Branko's salvation.

This seemed like another ground-breaking conversation, but he soon returned to his former attitude and stated that he didn't care if God looked down on some of the things he does: he has to lie to protect himself and to get ahead, and other sins aren't worth worrying about. Pray that Branko would begin caring about where his soul is going after he dies and that he would believe God's word and receive Christ.

Some of you may remember my asking for prayer for an old man named Franz. I had met him in Stuttgart, received his info, sent him some books, and we had begun corresponding through e-mail, but I eventually ended the correspondence, telling him that it wasn't getting anywhere; that he wasn't a truth-seeker and wasn't open to what I was trying to tell him. Two months later, he e-mailed me, asking me some personal questions. I answered and then he began to open up and show his interest in learning the Bible. Franz said that he was in a quandary about the belief that Jesus is God. He had run into some Jehovah's Witnesses and had remembered some things that I had said and he didn't know what to believe. He said he's searching for the real God and asked me where he could go to study and understand the Bible. I told him that I could teach him and that we could meet regularly. He listed three days out of the month that he could regularly meet with me and I'm now waiting for his reply about the time we should meet.

Franz has his fair share of contrary thoughts, but please pray that Franz would be willing to take some real Bible teaching and would find our great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Thank you all for holding the ropes for us while we minister here. May we see this work to the end, for God's will and glory.

In Christ,

Robert and Sherah Trump(Psa.45:1)



May 25, 2016

Dear Pastor and Friends,

Warm Christian greetings from Tarlac City Philippines.

I turned over the works in Santo Domingo, David and Laoang village. Bro. Arnold and his family took over the works in Santo Domingo, Bro Jerry and his wife took over the work in David. Bro Jao took over in Laoang village. Please pray for them that God used them and their family in their respective area. We have our first Sunday service in San Juan De Mata last December 4, 2015.

We are glad we were visited by friends from Open Door Baptist Church and Skyview Baptist Church of Washington State. They help us share the Gospel to the residents of the community by doing house to house evangelism, giving tracts to the people in street, and teaching children. We also had an evangelistic meeting Sunday night. Many people accepted Christ as their Saviour and Lord. Children who accepted Christ are now regularly attending Sunday Services They are also attending the choir practices every Saturday afternoon.

By the grace of God, He has provided a lot in San Juan de Mata. We acquired a 308 square meter property located at the center of the village. It was worth \$9000. The American missionary who gave the building in Santo Domingo and David Villages was able to visit the place. He was glad to see the location and to be able to talk to some of the brethren. We are waiting for the money that he will be sending so we could begin the construction of the church building. An elderly said she will be attending church service when we have our own building. It is hard for her to climb upstairs. At present we are renting the building of the Senior Citizens of San Juan De Mata

God has also open an opportunity for us to teach the pupils of San Juan De Mata during their lunch break from 12:00 pm to 1:00pm. Many pupils have come to know Christ and accepted the Lord as their Saviour. We taught children in grades 4, 5 & 6. This was conducted every Thursday during the school year.

We also gave slippers and apples last Christmas December 21, 2015.

We had our youth camp last April 24-26. 32 young people attended. We also had our VBS last May 16-22. We had 133 graduates. We gave school supplies to the graduates. Please pray for these students that they would continue to attend church and grow in their faith.

We also had a medical mission. Most people with hypertension and diabetes came. With the help of a friend there in America, they will be given 2 year supply of medicine. They will be receiving the medicines during Sundays after services. Please pray that these patients would come to know the Lord as they attend church and re-ceive their medicines.

Thank your for your financial support and prayers. We appreciate it.

In Christ,

Salazar Family

PRAYER REQUESTS

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| 607. | Pastor | Souls saved in Shelton. |
| 629. | Matt | Gregson Family Finances. |
| 680. | Matt | Savings Account (Building fund) to reach —(\$10,000). |
| 685. | Dee P. | Dee's brother Duane (a proud atheist) salvation. |
| 755. | Regina | Grace Baptist Church to grow in influence & membership. |
| 763. | Sally | Brother Nathan called to preach. Strength & direction. |
| 796. | Regina | Strength for God's will in her life. |
| 803. | Dee P. | Improved church attendance for her family. |
| 822. | Regina | Personal Health. |
| 849. | Sally | Jonny seeks God's will in making decisions for future. |
| 865. | Dee P. | Son Joseph's health problems & depression. |
| 867. | Dee P. | Family members to read KJB daily. |
| 973. | Dee | Protection for Stephanie working as a nurse. |
| 975. | Dee P. | Brother-in-law George stage 4 terminal lung cancer |
| 976. | Dee P. | Our Christian men to grow as spiritual leaders in our homes, churches and communities. |
| 989. | Regina | Son (Richard) to let God be his all in all. |
| 991. | Pastor | Rylander family return to GBC. |
| 1001. | Pastor | Kyle's friend Zach-health. |
| 1002. | Pastor | Pastor Saloum's family to return to church full time. |
| 1004. | Regina | Debra Rameriz-Recovery from lung cancer surgery. |
| 1008. | Pastor | Dr. Saloum to attend church. |
| 1009. | Pastor | Healing for Duane Gaddis. |
| 1010. | Regina | The Kelly family dealing with loss of loved one. |
| 1011. | Pastor | Safe rehabilitation from foot surgery |
| 1012. | Pastor | A quick and friendly closing on the building. |

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signed into law “The National Moment of Remembrance Act,” P.L. 106-579, creating the White House Commission on the National Moment of Remembrance. The commission’s charter is to “encourage the people of the United States to give something back to their country, which provides them so much freedom and opportunity” by en-



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couraging and coordinating commemorations in the United States of Memorial Day and the National Moment of Remembrance.

The National Moment of Remembrance encourages all Americans to pause wherever they are at 3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day for a minute of silence to remember and honor those who have died in service to the nation. As Moment of Remembrance founder Carmella LaSpada states: "It's a way we can all help put the memorial back in Memorial Day."

Taken from *U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs*.

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