



*A Great Place To Grow in
Christ
For the Entire Family*

October 23, 2016
This Weeks Events
Today: 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Sermon on the Mount</i> —Pastor 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>CHILDRENS MINISTRY</i> —Dee Coale 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Giving</i> —Pastor 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>CHILDRENS MINISTRY</i> —Dee Coale 6:00PM: (Grange)— <i>Finding the Lord's Will</i> —Pastor
Upcoming Events
October 24th—November 1st: <i>Pastor Vacation</i>
November 10th Saturday <i>BUILDING CLOSING DATE</i>
November 6, 2016: 2:00PM: (Fir lane)— <i>Shut In Saints</i> —Matthew Coale
July 9, 2017: <i>MISSIONARY TO GREENLAND</i> —J.R. Wright Family

Note from the Pastor

I cannot encourage you enough about how important your giving is to the success of the church building acquisition. If we are committed to wanting a church here in this area, then we must show it to God with our action. Right now, our giving has been off. We need to correct that to purchase this building. I hope that you will join Dee and I in giving just a little more over and above our tithe. I know it is difficult, but all things that are of worth are.

— Pastor

Free Salvation?

By Ron Coale, Pastor



Ron Coale

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. (Gal. 5:1).

I am sure that you have heard the statement: “Nothing is free.” For many Christians, this runs contrary to what they understand the Bible says when speaking of salvation. We know that we receive it as a free gift from the Lord and that we are required to pay nothing for it. However, just because we receive it as a free gift does not mean that it didn’t have a price on it.

Salvation has a tremendous cost attached to it. It is so valuable and cost so much that we are impossible to pay its price. Jesus on the other hand, does have the means to purchase it. That is exactly what He did—He purchased salvation for us and then gave it to us as a free gift. Even though it is free to us, it is a gift that Jesus had to purchase (Acts 20:28).

Therefore, it is correct to say, “nothing is free”, including our salvation. It is just that we didn’t have to pay for it. In fact we are unable to pay for it. Jesus bought us a gift.

To us, it is free, but in the bigger picture, it cost Jesus a lot to purchase it for us. This means that we cost God. He had to pay for us. He didn’t have to pay for the animals, land, sea, fish, birds, stars or wind. But for human beings, He had to pay. We are not free to God when looking at it from the standpoint of value. We cost Him.

We ought to enjoy our salvation with a little more gravity knowing that we are the only thing that God purchased. It should sober us a little to the relationship that we have with Him. Yes! We get saved without doing anything to pay for it. All we have to do is accept it as a gift. That gift should be extremely valuable to us as we think about how much we mean to God in that He payed for us.

He is God! He shouldn’t need to pay for anything. Why then did He? Simple, He wanted to show us that we are valuable to Him. He wanted to show us how valuable we are by showing the extreme price He payed for us to be free from sin. He doesn’t have to do anything. He did it this way for us.

Nothing is free. Even our salvation.~

PRAYER REQUESTS

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.
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.
991.	Pastor	Rylander family return to GBC.
1012.	Pastor	A quick and friendly closing on the building.
1013.	Duane K.	Ben's Salvation.
1014.	Tom	Sisters wisdom and comfort in dealing with cancer decisions.
1015.	Jim	Sisters healing from cancer.
1016.	Jim	Uncles healing from hip replacement.
1017.	Kail	Friends healing from stroke.

NOTES:

Mailing address:	PO Box 1025, Shelton, WA 98584
Email address:	pastor@gbcshelton.org
Internet address:	www.gbcshelton.org
Face book address:	https://www.facebook.com/GraceBaptistChurchOfSheltonWa
Office Address:	1701 E. Agate Loop RD, Shelton, WA 98584, 360-462-1611
Meeting Location:	Agate Grange Hall, 1631 E. Agate Loop Rd, Shelton, WA.