



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

September 3, 2017

This Weeks Events

Today:

- 10:00AM: (Grange)—*Matthew Chapter 11*—Pastor
- 11:00AM: (Grange)—*The Calling of the Church*—Pastor
- 2:00PM: (Fir Lane)—*Shut In Saints*—Matthew Coale
- 6:00PM: (Grange)—*The Grace of Giving*—Pastor

Upcoming Events

October 1, 2017:

- 2:00PM: (Fir Lane)—*Shut In Saints*—Matthew Coale



**"If the future seems overwhelming,
remember that it comes one moment at
a time."
~ Beth Mende Conny**

Children's Church and
nursery services are avail-
able for every service.

If you are interested in being on
the Grace Baptist Church "call list?"
Use your cell phone to send the
word: **GBCLIST** in a text to **84576**.

There is always a rainbow



Ron Coale

With all the flooding in our country today, we need to take a look on the brighter side. Even though things seem to be getting worse, we must remember, that

with God, things will always get better. It has been quite a disaster for our Caribbean coastal people. People are still out of their homes and some

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will never return. Their way of life has been snatched out from under them; they have nothing to return to. Their life has literally been stripped away from them. If there was ever a time to get discouraged and give up, it could be at a time like this. But, with God, things will always get better.

We are not so judgmental to say that they had this coming to them. We will not say that this is payment for their sin. Nor will we say that this is some devious game from Satan. No! It is not our place to think like this, for we are all in the boat of sin, struggling to live, love and learn. We have compassion because we have had our turn of struggles, or will have coming to us one day soon. Amidst all of this we know there is hope because, with God, things will always get better.

Noah, a preacher of righteousness (2 Peter 2:5) was not vindictively glad that his enemies got their "comeuppance" when the rains consumed them. He was a preacher of Righteousness. He desired to see them get "right" with God. He was compassionate, and all too realized that he could be drowning with the rest of the world. But, with God, things will always get better.

Although struggle and loss has been the news of the day, as Chris-

tians, we remember that there will always be a rainbow. We know the meaning of the rainbow. We know where it came from and who put it there. We know what it represents. Think of the rainbow that God set in the cloud (Gen. 9:13) to be a token of the covenant He made with man. He will never again flood the entire earth with water. He did not place it there to remind Him to keep His word. It is there for us to remember that He will keep His word. It is for us to remember His promise. But more than all of that it is a bow of hope. When we see it, we



always know that there is hope; in the largest helping possible. It is a colorful sign that, with God, things will always get better.

The key to things getting better in your life is that you must be "with God." Without Him, things may improve for a time, but then things will fall apart again. If you are "with God", even the worst of situations means very little because all the blessings that a man could ever want or need are with God.

As we approach this disastrous time for our fellow Americans, can we pray? Can we pray that they will be with God so that in their trials, they can see the bow in the sky and not the destruction in their neighborhoods? ~

NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS

607.	Pastor	Souls saved in Shelton.
680.	Matt	Savings Account (Building fund) to reach —(\$10,000).
755.	Regina	Grace Baptist Church to grow in influence & membership.
763.	Sally	Brother Nathan called to preach. Strength & direction.
849.	Sally	Jonny seeks God's will in making decisions for future.
973.	Dee	Protection for Stephanie working as a nurse.
1013.	Duane K.	Ben's Salvation.
1023.	Pastor	Regina's health and recovery.
1027.	Pastor	Sister Regina needs encouragement.
1030.	Machen	6 year old Azreal's brain tumor surgery.
1033.	Pastor	Bud Ludlow-Traveling mercies and cancer treatment.
1034.	Sally	Mr. Johnson recovery from stroke.
1037.	Don Tripp	His pastors healing from hashimoto's disease.
1038.	Machin	Ariel Marrero diagnosis for cause of pain.
1039.	Duane	Azriel's comfort/strength for undergoing chemo.
1041.	Kail	Friend in hospital with eye problem.
1042.	Pastor	Anna's surgery and healing.
1043.	Regina	Lori Sylvia passed away. Pray for her family.
1044.	Pastor	Victims of hurricane in Texas and Louisiana.

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