

**EVENTS THIS
WEEK**

TUES

Mission Committee
Meeting

Next Sunday

GBC Potluck with
Scott Ponzani

MISSION FOCUS: Keith & Debby Jones
IBM Global-Italy

Keith, Debby, Luca (12), Chiara (10), and Sofia (7) serve the Lord in a church-planting ministry in southern Milan. **PRAISE** God for a good week of English Bible camp. With the help of a team from Grace Bible Church, NJ, 38 children participated in this year's camp. Enzo was able to clearly present the Gospel and his testimony about coming to faith in Jesus Christ. **PRAY** for continued opportunities to minister to the children and their parents.

PRAY for Daniela, a young lady from the neighborhood, who is asking questions about God. **PRAY** for Elisabetta, a Catholic Catechism teacher, and her young son Alessandro, who heard the Gospel at camp and is asking questions. **PRAY** for Grazia, a long time friend, that she would come to faith. **PRAY** for the eight children who prayed to put their faith in Jesus Christ that these decisions would yield fruit. Many children requested a Bible.

PRAY for the ministry in Rozzano as the Jones family and fellow servants at Veritas Church continue to trust the Lord of the harvest to grant the harvest of souls longed and prayed for. Keith and Debby are encouraged by and **PRAISING** God for the faithful prayer and financial support of the GBC family as we partner together to reach Italy for Jesus.

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Sunday, July 16, 2017

*This Jesus, who was taken up
from you into heaven,
will come in the same way as
you saw him go into heaven.*

Acts 1:11

Calling with Praise in His Presence

Welcome & Greeting

Invocation

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-2, 6

Songs of Praise

O Worship the King

How Great Thou Art

How Great is Our God

Confession of Our Sin and the Faith

Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Songs of Gratitude

Give Thanks

Thank You, Lord

Consecration by the Word of the Lord

Scripture Readings

I Thessalonians 4:13-5:11 Chad Peckham, elder

Psalm 47:5-8

Prayers of the People

Offertory

Christ is Risen

Glenn Broadbent
M. Maher

Sermon

Pastor Todd Kinde

*A Sanctifying Vision: Living in the Present with a Future Tense
'Are You Sleeping'*

Commune with Humility & Gratitude

Our Response

Christ is Coming! Let Creation

Commission to Love & Serve the Savior

Benediction & Dismissal

EVENTS TODAY

- 8:30 am
Morning Prayer
(Resource Room)
- 9:00 am
Sunday School
- 10:15—11:30 am
Morning Worship
Service
- 10:00 am
NO Children &
Worship for
ages 3 – 5
- 5:30 pm
Bible Study
in the Chapel,
"Knowing God"
Series in II Peter
- 5:30-7:00 pm
Youth Group
at GBC

NURSERY

- TODAY**
C & C Rannow,
A Visnovsky
J Dalman, P Funk
- Next Week**
J & A Ohman
M Garter,
E Plaggemeyer

Youth & Family Dinner on Sunday, July 23rd
12:00 pm at the VanderMey home.
Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 19th.

Yesterday's Youth will be going to the concert version of **Fiddler on the Roof** at Jenison Center for the Arts on Friday, August 11th. Tickets are \$11 and must be purchased by July 23rd. Sign up today at the Information Center.

Make plans to join us for our Men's Breakfast Saturday, July 29th - 7:30 am.
Steve Swartz will be with us once again to share.
Please sign up today at the Information Center.

Save the Date!
Outdoor Worship Service & Church Picnic
Sunday, September 10th.

Where are YOU serving?
We have many urgent needs for people to serve in areas of worship and discipleship. (Musicians, Audio/Visual, Ushers, Nursery)
Contact Ann VanderMey or the church office.

SERVING ELDERS		
Todd Kinde	Jon Nagelkirk	Chad Peckham
Elder, Deaconess and Deacon contact info is posted on the bulletin board.		

At the Grace Bible Church Congregational meeting in May, the elders introduced some proposed changes to the church constitution and bylaws. We desire to have our governance model and documents align to our actual practices and language updates to reflect current legal climate. We encourage all members of the GBC Family to review the changes and provide your feedback. These documents are at the Information Center in the back of the foyer.

We will be having a special congregational meeting on **Sunday evening, September 17th** to vote on the proposed changes. It requires a two-thirds majority of the members in attendance at the meeting to pass changes to the constitution. Before this, on **August 13th** after the morning worship service, there will be an information meeting for questions and discussion around our proposed changes (light snacks provided). If you are unable to attend this informational meeting, you may submit your constitutional questions in writing to any elder prior to the August 13th meeting.

It's our desire that GBC will continue to be a place where we focus on depth of teaching and depth of worship as we Know Christ, Grow in His Grace and Go for His Glory. Our culture is becoming increasingly apathetic about Christianity and is pressuring churches to conform to popular conceptions of morality. We need to adapt in a way that maintains our distinctive as followers of Jesus Christ.

In addition to the constitution updates, there may be action needed for the affirmation of additional church leaders, and a status update on staff additions. Please be in prayer for the elders as we work through the composition of the staff and the skills and qualities we need to have in place to support our ministries, missionaries, discipleship and to develop our hospitality and engagement with the community to bring the Gospel to the people of our area.

Current Giving Report				
<u>General Budget</u>		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Short/Over</u>
\$380,472	Fiscal YTD	\$14,634	\$11,904	-\$2,730
	Last Week	\$7,317	\$6,006	-\$1,311
<u>Missions Budget</u>		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Giving</u>	
\$153,300	Fiscal YTD	\$5,896	\$4,704	-\$1,192
	Last Week	\$2,948	\$2,166	-\$782