

Church Office 772-287-6388

WELCOME TO THE GRACE PLACE

November 26 and 27, 2011

Welcome to The Grace Place Church. Last Thursday we celebrated Thanksgiving as a national holiday. It is amazing that as a nation we have set aside one day to be thankful. I always find it interesting to think about who an atheist has to be thankful to. A truly thankful heart will always find its focus directed toward God. That means that true Christ-followers should be the most thankful people in the world. I trust you have stopped during the activities of this wonderful holiday and thanked God for all of His spiritual, physical and financial, blessing in your life. It is so easy for me to focus on what I don't have instead of what I do have. It is so easy for me to focus on what isn't going right, instead of what is going right. It is so easy for me to focus on my needs, instead of my blessings. Please not only take the time to thank God for His abundant blessings, but also, please take the time to thank those in your life who have been an encourager, supporter, etc.

It is quite obvious that we are going through a time of great challenge in our country right now. I would call this one of the most negative times financially and in other ways that I remember us going through as a nation. That is why this weekend I am sharing a message entitled, "Living Positively In Negative Times." I do not think there is anything we can ever do that will reveal Jesus to those around us more than how we respond to these difficult days. If you need a big dose of encouragement, then you have come to the right place this weekend!

We are very quickly coming to the end of 2011 – as hard as that may be to believe. That means if you wish to be able to claim a tax-deduction on your taxes for contributions made, now is the time to make those contributions. You can make donations by check, via debit or credit card at the SecureGive Kiosk in the lobby, or online at www.thegraceplace.com/giving. The past year has been a really challenging time for the church financially. Your end of the year giving will make all of the difference in enabling us to finish out the year in the financial black. I know there are many ministries asking for your end of the year gifts. We ask that you would consider putting The Grace Place at the top of your contribution list. There are many ways to contribute other than with cash.

You can donate stocks, bonds, or other securities.

You can also make donations of real estate, vehicles, jewelry, or other items of resale value. Many times you can eliminate paying a capital gains tax on an investment and get the full donation benefits as well.

For information on the increased tax benefits of these kinds of donations, please contact our Director of Finances, Suzanne Adams at 287-6388 or email her at suzanneadams@thegraceplace.com.

I trust you had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday and we are so thankful to see you in church this weekend!

Pastor Rick

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Today's Celebration Service

November 26 and 27, 2011

Worship

"All Because of Jesus"

"Blessed Be Your Name"

"No Chains On Me"

Welcome

Message

"Living Positively In Negative Times"

**Rick Addison,
Senior Pastor**

Prayer

Giving Back

To God

Closing

"No Chains On Me"

Prayer Support/ Communion

Christmas At The Grace Place

Thursday, Dec. 1 at 7:00 pm

Preschool Christmas Program "Christmas Presents"

Saturday, Dec. 10th at 6pm and

Sunday, Dec. 11th at 9 & 11 am

Christmas Concert "Comfort and Joy" A special Christmas story told through music, an event you don't want to miss.

Tuesday, Dec. 13th 6 pm

Celebrate Recovery Christmas Party and Wrapping Event Dinner at 6 pm with an awesome testimony and great food. Come and celebrate with us. Join us as we wrap over 800 presents for Sandy Pines Children/Mental Facility.

Saturday, Dec. 17th at 6 pm and

Sunday, Dec. 18th at 9 & 11 am

Special musical guests – Cornerstone Brass

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services

December 24 – 3:30, 5, 6:30, 8 pm

Celebrate the birth of our Savior with a beautiful candlelight service

Childcare age 5 and under only

Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25 - 11 am

Candlelight Communion Service

Worship Service Etiquette

Thank you for using our Infant and Toddler nurseries in the Ministry Center. We know by doing so you will experience more from our worship service and reduce distractions to other worshipers as well.

- Please turn off your cell phone.
- If you know that you will have to leave the service early, please sit in the back row of a section to keep from distracting others in worship.
- The message time and closing of each service is very important. People are making significant decisions in light of what they have experienced.

Thank you for not distracting other worshipers. God bless you.

Middle School Ministry

The 2011-12 New Years Eve Lockdown is here and it's going to be better than ever with the world's Largest Cheeseburgers, Giant Hamster ball, Music, and much, much more. Cost is \$20.12 for the evening and includes all food and fun. If a student brings four friends who haven't attended in the last six months then their ticket is free. Tickets go on sale next week and will be available at the information desk.

Women's Events

Join us for our Annual Women's Christmas Party and our spectacular hostesses for a great evening beginning the Christmas season, Monday, December 5th from 7-9 pm. Each hostess decorates her table with Christmas cheer. If you would like to host a table please let Karon know. Our guest speaker is Crystal Sprigg's mother, Molly Beriwickle author/speaker who will be sharing on "Best Gift Ever". The catered meal is a ticketed event and cost \$15 per person. You can purchase your tickets online or at the Welcome Desk on the weekend.

Tuesday – December 13th - Christmas "Potluck" Brunch at Rebecca Sechrist's home- 9:30 am to 12:00 for all our MOMS and Tuesday Bible Study group.

Wednesday, December 14th - Christmas "Potluck" Snacks at Ava Pennington's home - 7pm - for both Wednesday Women's Study groups.

Celebrate Recovery Christmas Dinner Event & Wrapping Party Help Support Kids In Recovery!

Celebrate recovery would like to invite you to our annual Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 13. This is our 6th year helping to provide Christmas for over 80+ Children in Recovery at Sandy Pines Hospital in Tequesta. Their ages are 5 years to 17 years old. Many of these kids are wards of the state and are needing serious emotional and psychological help before they are adopted into families or can go home to their own. These kids would not have Christmas if many of us in the community did not step up to help. Many of them have never had a real Christmas with people who have shown them love. Our CR has taken on 20 of these kids and each child get a complete new out fit, new shoes, a stuffed animal, and 3 or 4 things from their wish list. If you would like to help in even the smallest way please let us know.

The Grace Place Connection Center serves as the main hub for the wrapping of ALL of the 800 plus gifts. On Dec. 13, our beautiful sit down Christmas dinner will begin at 6pm followed by praise and worship with our CR band and praise team, and an awesome testimony of God's healing and grace on a couple as individuals and also in their marriage. Following the testimony at 8pm we clear the tables and begin wrapping! If you would like to give back this Christmas and help a child in recovery or attend our wrapping party you will be blessed!!

For more information, contact Stephanie Johnston at stephaniejohnston@thegraceplace.com or call 287-6388.

Share Christmas

Check out the Christmas Tree in the lobby to help Salvation Army chosen children and or Christmas in a Shoebox. Both are due back Sunday December 13th. Chose a child to bless this Christmas season.

For more information contact Karon at the church office 772-287-6388 or at karonaddison@thegraceplace.com.

Are You New to The Grace Place?

If you began attending in the last 6 to 8 weeks, we'd like to invite you to our Pastor's Breakfast. It's our opportunity to get better acquainted with you. Please stop by Guest Central in the lobby for your ticket to next Sunday's breakfast.

Let Us Pray for You

Please write your prayer needs on the tear-off section of the bulletin. Pastor Rick, our staff and our prayer team will pray for you.

KIOSK
located in the lobby for credit/debit card donations.

ONLINE
www.thegraceplace.com/giving, set-up ACH debit from your checking or savings account or set-up online bill pay with your bank.

MAIL
Postage Paid envelopes

SERVICE
In person during the weekend services, Wednesday night classes or at the church offices Monday thru Friday 8am to 5pm.

4 ways to give

Suzanne Adams, Director of Finance 772-287-6388, suzannedams@thegraceplace.com

Next Weekend

Children's Choir will be singing on December 3-4 in all services. Grace Place Preschool will be singing on December 4 only at 11:00am. Come and enjoy!!!

Celebrate Recovery

Free Concert this Tuesday! Invite your Friends!

Join us this Tuesday, Nov. 29th at 7pm for an evening that will bless you beyond belief! Recording artist Jon Bauer came to Celebrate Recovery in 2010 and we have invited him back!! Come and hear the heart and message of Jon Bauer, Canada's Gospel Music Association's 2008 Male Vocalist of the Year. Several popular worship CD's have earned him numerous nominations and awards from Worship Album of the Year to Artist of the Year. Jon will be singing songs from his Children's CD's as well. This is a night you do not want to miss! Jon will have his CD's available for purchase following the concert! The concert is free so bring your friends and enjoy the night! Childcare for infant through 5th grade is available beginning at 6:45 pm.

For more information, please contact Stephanie Johnston, Celebrate Recovery Director at stephaniejohnston@thegraceplace.com or 287-6388.

Aftercare Position

We are currently taking applications for our Aftercare Supervisor Position. Must have 40 hour childcare state training, CPR & First Aid, and a love and passion for school age children. Please stop by the Preschool Office Monday through Friday, or call the Director, Melissa Weimer, at 772-287-1779.

High School Parents Meeting

A **High School Parent's Meeting** will be held on Sunday, **December 4th at 6pm**. We will have more details on the location in next week's bulletin. This will be our last meeting for 2011 and we will be recapping all the things God has been doing in our High School Ministry this past year.

Please mark your calendars and join us for a night of food, fun and fellowship. We will also be discussing what we have in store for our teenagers in 2012. High School Parents will be given time to ask questions and share in their experiences of raising teens with others. **For more information please contact High School Pastor Jose Fernandez** at josefernandez@thegraceplace.com or call him at the church office 772-287-6388.

Growth Track- Be A Part of The Grace Place

Church 101 - January 8 This class is a basic introduction to the ministry of The Grace Place and will help you understand church membership.

Essentials 201 - January 15 This class guides you through the essential beliefs every Christian needs to find success in their walk with Christ.

Discovery 301 - January 22 We want to help you realize what makes you so unique. This class will help you discover your personality, gifts, and purpose in life and see how God combines them for the best fit in ministry.

Dream Team 401 - January 29 Attend an orientation or training session in the ministry area of your choice to learn more about how to be involved.

THE GROWTH TRACK IS COMPLETE WHEN YOU JOIN OR START A MINISTRY TEAM.

All classes begin at approximately 12:45 with a light lunch and conclude by 2:15.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Get up early and join the guys for breakfast at Cracker Barrel - Friday, December 2, 6:30 am. Register online or at the Welcome Center.

Counseling Service

Counseling is available at a nominal fee for individuals or couples with Grace Place Staff, Peggy Cioffi. Peggy has her MS in Counseling Psychology as well as 20 plus years experience. Additionally, she is certified Nationally and Internationally as a Substance Abuse Professional. To schedule an appointment call the church office 772-287-6388 x-126 or Cell 772 485-2030.

Prayer Needs

Freida Cooper - health issues
Adaila Unruh - health issues
Ashley Roberts - hospitalized

Joann Swenson - health issues
Phyllis Rape - recovering from surgery
Tom Bass - hospitalized

Registration & Information

Information Request:

I would like information about the following ministries:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Primetimers (55+) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tech Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Campus Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Celebrate Recovery | <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home Small Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Worship Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> MOMS Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instrumental | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer | |

If You Are A First Time Guest:

How did you hear about us?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Billboard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV Ad | <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend |

Please Contact Me Concerning:

- Children's Ministries Team
- TGP Security Ministry Team
- Connection Café Team
- Coffee Team
- Other

Spiritual Commitments:

- I prayed today to begin a personal relationship with Christ.
- How do I begin a personal relationship with Christ?
- How do I join The Grace Place?

Prayer Needs:

- Personal:

- Seekers I am Praying for:

- I would like my request put on the Wednesday prayer sheet.

Please complete Name & Address section on reverse. Tear off along the perforation and drop in the offering bucket or turn in at the Welcome Center.

Weekend Worship Services

- ➔ Saturday Worship 6:00 pm
- ➔ Sunday Worship 9:00 am & 11:00 am
- ➔ Hispanic Worship 11:00 am (Chapel)
- ➔ Nursery, Kid's Church & Youth: All Services
- ➔ Grace Place sermons & music anytime:
www.thegraceplace.com/live

<i>Weekly Schedule...</i>	
<p><u>MONDAY</u> 6:00 - 8:00 pm - Open Gym (kickball) 6:30 - 8:30 pm - Step Study 7:00 - 8:00 pm - Zumba (Cancelled)</p> <p><u>TUESDAY</u> 9:30 am - Women's Bible Study 9:30 am - Women's Step Study 7:00 pm - Celebrate Recovery - (Connection)</p> <p><u>WEDNESDAY</u> 6:00 - 7:00 pm - Choir Practice 7:00 pm - CR Step Studies 7:00 pm - Campus Studies 7:00 pm - Middle School (Connection) 7:00 pm - High School (Chapel) 7:00 - 8:00 pm - Worship & Band Practice</p> <p><u>THURSDAY</u> 6:30 - 8:30 pm - Step Study (Cancelled) 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Young Adults meeting 1st and 3rd (Chapel)</p> <p><u>SATURDAY</u> 6:00 pm - Worship Service (Celebration Center) 6:00 pm - Fusion</p> <p><u>SUNDAY</u> 9:00 am - Worship Service (Celebration Center) 9:00 am - High School Bible Study (Connection Ctr) 9:00 am - Adult Bible Study 11:00 am - Worship Service (Celebration Center) 11:00 am - Hispanic Service - (Chapel)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>WEDNESDAY :</u> 5:30 - 7:00 pm Light Dinner in Connection available for under \$5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:00 pm ✦ Kids Church (Ministry Center) Middle School: (Connection)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:00 pm ✦ Campus Studies (onsite)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Grace Book Place</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hours Tuesday - 9 am to 1 pm Thursday - 1 pm to 5 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday before & after services</p>

Last week @ The Grace Place: *the people came ...*

Weekend	1089	Tithe	\$27,785.71
Saturday, 6:00 pm	212	SPECIAL OFFERINGS (Offerings given over and above tithe)	
Sunday, 9:00 am	416	Missions	\$545.00
Sunday, 11:00 am	403	Building Fund	\$270.00
Hispanic	58	High Impact Partners	\$85.00

OUR MINISTRY TEAM:

Senior Pastor - Rick Addison
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Children's Pastor - Rob Wright
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