

## GRACE TO YOU

### A Weekly Newsletter of Grace Reformed Church, Lansing, IL

#### WEEK OF JULY 14, 2013

- SUN - 8:15 AM: PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE.  
- 9:30 AM: MORNING PRAYER TIME— All are Welcome. Consistory Room.  
- 10:00AM: MORNING PRAISE & WORSHIP SERVICE.
- MON - 6:00 AM: MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—Led by Norm Coyle—Fireside Room.
- TUE - 6:00 PM: HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BIBLE STUDY — Room 101.  
- 7:00 PM: PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE.
- FRI - 7:30 PM: ARABIC PRAYER MEETING.
- SAT - 2:30 PM: PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE.

### **WINDY CITY RACEWAY MINISTRIES CHICAGO LAND SPEEDWAY JULY 20 & 21**

#### **NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2013:**

- ❖ **WE WILL CONCLUDE OUR SERIES**, “*Against The Grain*”. Are you salt and light in your community? Living differently can be hard. Going “against the grain” of culture can create friction. Pastor Dennis has led us through God’s Word showing us that by following God’s promises, and not culture’s lies, we can be renewed and then the world can experience God’s restoring power. “*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.*”— 2 Corinthians 8:9.
- ❖ **WE WILL RECEIVE** Tom Ruble into the Grace Church Family.
- ❖ **THE REFUGE MISSION TEAM** will be commissioned for their New York Mission Trip, *July 27-August 3*.

#### **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

**REFUGE** (a ministry to students in high school). **Summer Mission Trip**, to New York, Hurricane Sandy Recovery Work, *July 27-August 3*.

**ROCK** (a ministry to students in middle school grades 6-8).

**For more information on ROCK or REFUGE contact Pastor Dennis**

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**FOR HOSPITALIZED MEMBERS**, please see daily prayer calendar in bulletin.

- ❖ **OUR “SHUT IN’S OF THE WEEK”** are \***Jim Franczek** -(**Please Note-Jim’s Birthday-July 22**); \***Nancy Ilo** (**Please Note-Nancy’s Birthday-July 28**); \***Grace VanDerWoude** Send a card, give them a call or give them a visit to let them know they are missed.

**SABBATICAL CONNECTION:** “*The webs of the evil spiders of hate, fear, greed, selfishness, jealousy, pride, impurity, anger, dishonesty are swept away with the “broom” of new determination to listen to God for His Plan, and obey the Holy Spirit of God in a daily, definite way. The fruit of His Holy Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control,--begins to ripen in the lives of men, women and children. It is the way of moral and spiritual re-armorment—of putting on the whole armour of God.*” (quoted from page 52, God Guides.) Additional “*God Guides*” books are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

**CAMP MANITOQUA STAFF PRAYER PARTNERS:** Scott Harper & Calvin Rutherford, two of Grace Church’s Members, will serve this summer as Manitoqua Staff. Letters, emails and care packages are great encouragements throughout the summer.

**OUR SINCERE CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Gary & Virginia McNamara & Bob & Kim Ballard and their families on the passing of Gary’s brother, Pat McNamara. Pray for Gary & Virginia as they handle the details in Tucson, AZ.

#### **GRACE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSIONARIES LETTERS: DID YOU KNOW?** there are letters from our supported Missionaries in the Fellowship Hall on top of the piano in the Missionary Letter Rack. Pick up a copy to read what our Missionaries are doing and what they are in need of prayer.

**GRACE KID’S CHILDREN CHURCH TEAM** is looking for 4-6 people to join the team. Prayerfully consider if God is speaking to you to serve this ministry to Grace’s Children. Contact Kim Ballard for more information.

**SHARE A SPARE:** Please place your spare canned goods, paper products, etc., for the Lansing Pantry in the container in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for sharing your spare!

**DID YOU KNOW** you can personally make an **eternal difference** in the life of someone in South America? You'll have the opportunity to do this at the **2013 Illiana Retreat**, hosted by Bible League Volunteers will be Friday, *September 20*, at Bethel Church in Crown Point, IN. This unique retreat is open to anyone looking for a great spiritual experience. Guest Speaker, Julie Ann Barnhill, delivers hilarious "sanctified sarcasm" and authentic confessions coupled with rock solid confidence and knowledge in Biblical truth. A concert at 7:15 PM will be performed by the Taylors, a gifted family Gospel Group from North Carolina proclaiming their salvation through the ministry of Gospel Music. Contact Lois VanderPol by *September 6* for more information and to make reservations.

**PLEASE DON'T THROW AWAY THOSE STAMPS!** Dollie Veenstra is helping Marion Mission Storehouse (a non-profit organization) by collecting stamps **cut off (please do not tear the stamp)** of envelopes (preprinted stamps not usable). This allows them to ship medical supplies, clothing, shoes and other needed items to our Christian workers in Africa. If you have any questions contact Dollie Veenstra. A labeled box for the stamps is on a Table in the Fellowship Hall or you may give them to Dollie.

**REQUESTS FOR THE PUBLICATION** of announcements in the Grace To You by the Congregation should be made through the Church Office by 12:00 PM each Wednesday. Please contact the Church Office in advance for any Flyer Publication.

### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HARVEST THRIFT CENTER** is looking for SUMMER HELP! Just like last summer we are looking for our high school & College age Students to give us a helping hand while some of our regular volunteers go on summer vacation. If you would be able and willing to help out, please give us a call 708-868-6150. Store hours: Tuesday-Friday-9:00 AM-3:00 PM & Saturday-10:00 AM-3:00 PM. We'd love to have you join us in our ministry.

### **PASS EVENTS:**

❖ **PASS VOLUNTEERS**-Learn how you can be a volunteer. Join us the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month for PASS Monthly Volunteer Tour, 7:00 PM-8:30 PM at our Tinley Park Center, 17214 Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park, IL. For more information or the RSVP call 708-614-9777 or at [www.helppass.org](http://www.helppass.org).

❖ **PASS QUARTERLY PRAYER VIRGIL**-Next Prayer Vigil will take place on Friday, *August 16*, 6:00 PM-Midnight at our South Holland Center.