

# GRACE TODAY

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**John MacArthur**  
PASTOR-TEACHER

**Clayton Erb** / Minister of Music

**Welcome** to the Lord's day  
worship service at Grace Church.

We are truly blessed to be here  
this morning as we open God's  
Word together, sing His praises,  
and enjoy a time of fellowship  
in His presence.

Be sure to take advantage of  
the many fellowship and ministry  
opportunities available to  
our church family today and  
throughout the week.



**8:30 & 10:30\* am**

*O Sacred Head Now Wounded* • Hassler/Sturz • Stephen Sturz, Organist

**Hymn 87 *May Jesus Christ Be Praised*** • Congregation

**Hymn 88 *Fairest Lord Jesus***

**Hymn 89 *Our Great Savior***

***No, Not One*** • Hugg/Rice • String Orchestra, Woodwinds, Piano

***When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*** • Trad./Martin • Worship Choir

**Hymn 184 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*** • Congregation

***Near the Cross*** • Crosby-Doane/Rice • Philip Webb

MESSAGE: **SLAVES AND FRIENDS, PART 2**  
John MacArthur • John 15:12–17

**Communion**

***The Solid Rock*** • Dykes/Sturz • Organ Postlude

**6:00 pm**

***Lamb of God*** • Paris • Instrumental Prelude

**Songs of Praise** • Congregation

***Hallelujah for the Cross*** • King-Wright • Offertory

MESSAGE: **THE LORD SPEAKS TO HIS CHURCH IN A  
HOSTILE WORLD, PART 4**  
John MacArthur • Revelation 2:18–29

***Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*** • Trad./Erb • Clayton Erb, Organ Postlude

**Plaza Fellowship**

\* Interpreting for the deaf is provided during the 10:30 a.m. service.

Arabic translation for the 10:30 a.m. service is available at [gracechurch.org/live](http://gracechurch.org/live).

**Anthem**

***No, Not One***

There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus—No, not one! no, not one!  
None else could heal all our soul's diseases—No, not one! no, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide 'til the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus—No, not one! no, not one!

No friend like Him is so high and holy—No, not one! no, not one!  
And yet no friend is so meek and lowly—No, not one! no, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide 'til the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus—No, not one! no, not one!

There's not an hour that He is not near us—No, not one! no, not one!  
No night so dark but His love can cheer us—No, not one! no, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide 'til the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus—No, not one! no, not one!

Was e'er a gift like the Savior given? No, not one! no, not one!  
Will He refuse us a home in heaven? No, not one! no, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide 'til the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus—No, not one! no, not one!

Words by Johnson Oatman, Jr. (1895); music by George C. Hugg (1895)

## Campus Ministries

**THE WELCOME CENTER** hosts a reception for visitors following each Sunday-morning service. Enjoy refreshments and find helpful people with answers to any questions you have about our church. You'll also receive one of Pastor MacArthur's books as a thank you for being with us today.

**THE MEMBER CENTER** has information about membership and baptism. It is located on the north side of the Heritage Building, across from the Welcome Center.

Today's Membership Class  
102 • 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. • T66 (basement)

**THE PRAYER ROOM** is staffed with counselors, ready to offer pastoral care. It is open after every service, and is adjacent to the Worship Center.

## Generations of Grace Children's Sunday School

The following lesson was taught **today** in Sunday School (Preschool through Juniors)



MESSAGE **God Creates the Heavens and the Earth**

PASSAGE **Genesis 1:1–2:3**

PRINCIPLE Everything God made was good.

HYMN OF THE MONTH "O for a Thousand Tongues"

ASK YOUR CHILD What did God say about everything He had made?

APPLY By thanking God for making the heavens and the earth.

THIS WEEK As a family, read Genesis 1:1–2:3.

NEXT WEEK Genesis 1:26–29; 2:7, 18–24

## On GraceWalk

- **Women's Ministry**

## On the Patio

- **Awana**
- **Christmas in September**
- **Fundamentals of the Faith**
- **Grace Advance**
- **Korean Outreach**
- **Local Outreach**
- **OAPC Baby Bottle Campaign**
- **Raised Project Tickets**
- **Spanish Ministries**  
(by the Chapel)

## Bookstore

The Bookstore is open after each service and during the week. It is located on the south side of the Worship Center.

### HIGHLIGHT

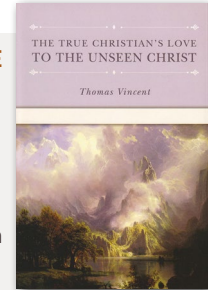
#### **THE TRUE CHRISTIAN'S LOVE TO THE UNSEEN CHRIST**

by Thomas Vincent

"This book stands so starkly against the spirit of our age...[it is] exceedingly relevant. The truth it contains will transform your walk with our blessed Lord."

—John MacArthur

**Available today for 25% off retail price**



## Grace to You

**RADIO** [gty.org/radio](http://gty.org/radio)

***The New Testament, Beginning to End***

- KKLA 99.5 FM LOS ANGELES M–F 6:30 am & 7:30 pm
- KDAR 98.3 FM OXNARD-VENTURA M–F 2:00 & 10:00 am; Sun 2:00 am

**TELEVISION** [gty.org/television](http://gty.org/television)

**"We Will Not Bow"**

- NRB Network CHANNEL 378 ON DIRECTV Sunday 6:30 pm

**ONLINE** [gty.org](http://gty.org)

- Sunday sermons
- Audio archive: John MacArthur's pulpit ministry
- Resource library: books, study guides, videos, Q&As

All audio is available for free listening or downloading.

*Adapted from Lesson 1 of the Generations of Grace Family Devotional, available at the bookstore.*



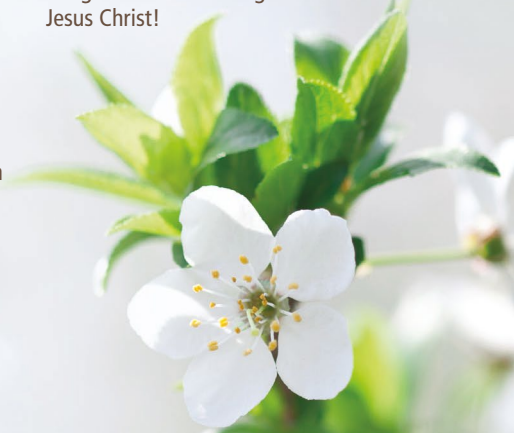
# Growing in Christ Together

From the very beginning, Grace Church has been marked by the genuine love and friendship that our church family displays for one another. As our church has grown over the years, that fellowship and affection has remained a constant and special blessing, especially among the women here. This godly, gifted, and diverse group includes, among many others, women who helped the church begin and continue their ministry of discipleship today; those who serve the Lord selflessly behind the scenes; skilled teachers who lead other women through the study of Scripture; and those who are here for a season while their husbands attend the seminary.

There are rich resources available to help the women in our church family grow spiritually and learn what practical Christianity looks like in our marriages, families, neighborhoods, and jobs. As a new season of ministry begins this month, we invite you to be a part of one of these studies. It's an opportunity to get to know women in different seasons and circumstances of life, and be encouraged and sharpened in your love for the Lord and His people.

Take a moment to visit the ministries represented on GraceWalk this morning (listed at right) and you'll see that whatever your circumstances—single or married, in any and every stage of life—there is a spiritual home and sweet fellowship here for you.

We look forward to growing together with you in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



## Women's Ministry OPPORTUNITIES

- Arabic Women's Discipleship
- Every Woman's Grace
- Filipino Women's Discipleship
- Korean Every Woman's Grace
- Mindset for Missions
- One with Christ
- Seminary Wives Discipleship
- Sojourners Women's Fellowship
- Spanish Women's Ministry
- T.E.A. (Teaching, Encouragement, and Accountability)
- Titus Two Tuesdays
- Unequally Yoked
- Women of Worship
- Women Walking Wisely

Don't forget our annual women's events! Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 17, for "A Call to Biblical Discernment," when we'll look at what discernment is and how to develop it.

*For information about any of these ministries, please contact the Women's Ministry office at 818-909-5521 or visit our website at [gracechurch.org/womens](http://gracechurch.org/womens).*

# Getting to Know You Better

Tonight's joint effort by Grace Advance and Local Outreach is a way to demonstrate the unity that characterizes our privileged church. Together, we can better highlight two strategic ministries of our church while providing you with a wonderful night to enjoy with family and friends.

With that in mind, Grace Advance and Local Outreach are excited to team up and host this special Plaza Fellowship for the whole family. Designed as a time to enjoy your church family while you get to know our ministries better, the evening will include music, food, activities just for kids, and more.

Local Outreach Ministries and Grace Advance will both have information tables set up throughout campus. Please take the opportunity to visit the different tables and learn more about these vital ministries and how you can get involved. Bring your family, bring your appetite, and let us serve you as we get to know each other and enjoy an evening of fellowship together!



**Plaza Fellowship**

**TONIGHT**  
*after the evening service*

*Hosted by*  
**Grace Advance  
& Local Outreach**

The graphic features a teal background with a dark brown oval containing the text 'Plaza Fellowship' in a white, cursive font. Below this is a yellow banner with 'TONIGHT' in bold black letters and 'after the evening service' in a smaller, italicized font. At the bottom, it says 'Hosted by Grace Advance & Local Outreach'. The entire graphic is decorated with several glowing lightbulb icons on strings.

- Music by The Raised Project Band
- Bounce houses and games
- Smoothies, cookies, hotdogs (for \$1), international foods (provided by our Ethnic Outreach ministries), ice cream sandwiches, coffee, and lemonade

## Curry Farewell

Dear church family,

I arrived in California five years ago to attend seminary. While I was looking forward to attending the church, I had no idea how much God would use membership at Grace to grow me. Thank you for being a church that embraces young seminarians, gives them opportunities to serve, and, on occasion, even throws in a wife. This week I leave for Northern Ireland to become senior pastor at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Lisburn. While we are excited to begin our work there we leave with heavy hearts, having to say goodbye to so many who have loved and invested in us.

Thank you,

Andrew, Sarah, Isla, and Iain Curry



## Grace Around the World

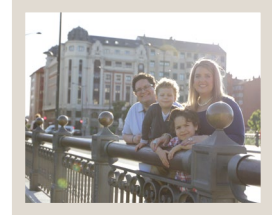
### The Pidal Family

Gus & Melissa, Cael, Coen

Serving in **Spain** since **2011**

#### Prayer / Praise

- Praise the Lord with us for our first graduating class—thirteen men graduated from the Berea Seminary.
- Pray for our upcoming ministry trips, as Gus preaches at retreats in different parts of Spain.



## Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$23,397**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries and their ministries around the world.

## Local Outreach Spotlight

### Open Arms Pregnancy Clinic Fundraiser

Be sure to return your filled OAPC baby bottles to the Welcome Center this morning. This is a great way to help raise support for the vital, ongoing ministry of the Open Arms Pregnancy Clinic. For more information, contact Local Outreach at 818-909-5721.



## A Christmas Tradition

On any Sunday in September, stop by the table on GraceWalk to encourage our missionary families with a personal note and a heartfelt gift. Visit [gracechurch.org/cis](http://gracechurch.org/cis) to learn more about Christmas in September or to give a gift online.

*O Lord, our Lord,  
How majestic is Your name in all the earth!*

—Psalm 8:1

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## Elders Meeting Thursday, September 17 • 7 p.m. • T262

Open to our church family

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## Korean Outreach

Did you know we have vibrant outreach ministry for those whose first language is Korean? Our Korean Outreach Ministry offers Bible studies, simultaneous translation of the 10:30 a.m. sermon, prayer meetings, and more. To learn more, visit the Korean Outreach table on the patio today.

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## Premarital/Marriage Seminar

A prerequisite for engaged couples desiring to get married at Grace Church, this seminar is also helpful for those who are purposefully dating, as well as married couples interested in God's plan for a successful marriage.

**Part 1 Friday, September 18, 7:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, September 19, 9:00 a.m.–noon**

**Part 2 Friday, October 16, 7:00–9:00 p.m. • Saturday, October 17, 9:00 a.m.–noon**

For more information or to register, visit [gracechurch.org/premarital](http://gracechurch.org/premarital) or call 818-909-5537.

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## Joint Heirs Ladies TEA (Teaching, Edification, Application)

**Monday, September 14 • 7:00 p.m. • T260s • Speaker: Janelle McLean**

All women are welcome.

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## One with Christ Monday, September 14 • 9:30 a.m. • CC130

Bible study primarily for women who have lost their husbands through death or divorce.

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## Awana Clubbers and Leaders Sign-ups

**Today**

**Cubbies (ages 3–4) \$50\* • Sparks (grades K–2)/Truth & Training (grades 3–6) \$35\***

For more information or to sign up, please visit the patio tables near the Children's Center or call 818-909-5631. *\*Prices increase after today*

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## Job Opportunities

Applicants for employment must be, if employed, biblically qualified as a deacon or deaconess and a member of Grace Church. For more information or to request an application, contact the office of Human Resources at [hr@gracechurch.org](mailto:hr@gracechurch.org) or 818-909-5672.

**Nursery Worker.** The Grace Church Children's Ministry has a part-time opening (10–15 hours/week, primarily Sundays and Wednesdays) for a nursery worker. Must be able to exhibit love to parents, children, and staff, and desire to serve with humility, patience, and joy. Prior work experience in childcare is preferred, and candidates must be able to pass a background check.

**Web Developer/Programmer.** The Grace Church IT Department has an opening for a Web developer/programmer. Must have experience in HTML/CSS, object-oriented programming, server-side scripting, and relational databases. A degree in Computer or Information Science or equivalent experience preferred.

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## Seminary Wives Discipleship

**September 16–December 2 (Wednesdays) • 6:50 p.m. • T372**

Register at [tms.edu/semwives/registration](http://tms.edu/semwives/registration). Childcare is provided.

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**8:30 a.m.**

**Children's Sunday School**  
Visit the Welcome Center  
for room locations.  
Pastor: Mike Johnston

**Cornerstone**  
(All ages) T371  
Pastors: Nathan Busenitz,  
Justin Harris, Mark Tatlock

**Doulos** (Young families &  
singles) T361  
Pastor: Carl Hargrove

**FaithBuilders** (All ages) T261  
Pastor: Bill Shannon

**GraceLife** (All ages)  
Family Center  
Pastors: Phil Johnson,  
Mike Riccardi

**Junior High** (Grades 7–8)  
T73 (Basement)  
Pastor: Andrew Curry

**Mentally Disabled**  
CC130 (east)  
Pastor: Rick McLean

**Spanish Adult Sunday  
School** H221-222  
Teachers: Josiah Grauman,  
Angel Cardoza

**Spanish Worship Service**  
Chapel  
Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,  
Michael Mahoney

**10:30 a.m.**

**Children's Sunday School**  
Visit the Welcome Center  
for room locations.  
Pastor: Mike Johnston

**Crossroads**  
(College & young adults)  
Family Center  
Pastor: Austin Duncan

**High School** (Grades 9–12)  
T73 (Basement)  
Pastor: Josh Petras

**Joint Heirs** (All ages) T261  
Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street

**Mainstream** (All ages) T361  
Pastor: Rich Gregory

**Mentally Disabled**  
CC130 (east)  
Pastor: Rick McLean

**Sojourners** (All ages) T371  
Pastor: William Varner

**Spanish Adult Sunday  
School** H221–222  
Teachers: Josiah Grauman,  
Ruben Pidal

**Spanish Worship Service**  
Chapel  
Pastors: Henry Tolopilo,  
Michael Mahoney

**12:30 p.m.**

**Neighborhood Outreach**  
T273

**5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday Night Prayer Group**  
Grace Grill  
(next to the Children's Center)

**6:00 p.m.**

**Discovery** (Grades 1–6)  
Family Center

**Discovery Kids** (Ages 3–5)  
CC134-136

Visit our website at **GRACECHURCH.ORG**

**Fridays 7:30 p.m.**

**The Guild** (Single adults)  
T361  
Pastor: Don Carr

**Mondays 9:00 a.m.**

**Monday Morning Prayer Group**  
Welcome Center

**Building Abbreviation Key**

T = Tower  
H = Heritage  
CC = Children's Center

**MINISTRY DIRECTORY**

**Administration**  
818-909-5500

**Children**  
818-909-5631

**Logos Institute**  
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**Membership**  
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Counseling**  
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**Prayer**  
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**Spanish**  
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