



*A shoot will come up from
the stump of Jesse, from
his roots a Branch will bear*

Fruit...

Isaiah 11:1



GRACE BIBLE CHURCH

222 Boulder Drive, Gallup, NM 87301

Sunday School - 9:00 AM
Prayer Time - 6:00 PM

Worship Service - 10:15 AM
Edge - 6:00 PM

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Grace Bible Church
~ The Lord's Day ~
June 2, 2013

WELCOME

Sunday School for all ages
Worship Service

9:00 AM
10:15 AM

Call To Worship
Welcome/Announcements
Praise & Worship
Handbell Choir "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"
Prayer
Offering
Praise & Worship*

Scripture Reading

Romans 11:1-16

Message

John Luginbuhl

"God's Plans for Israel!"
(Part 23 of a Series, "The Righteousness of God!")

Closing

*After this, children age 3 - grade 4 will be dismissed to Children's Church.

SERVING IN THE NURSERY TODAY:

Crawlers/Walkers Charity Chavez & Sarah Silva

SERVING IN THE NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY:

Crawlers/Walkers Lorelee Tibboel & Raelynn Cosens

WE SAY "Good-bye and God bless you!" to Pastor Rob, Liesl, and family as they move back to the Denver area at the end of this coming week. Thank you so much for your ministry and friendship over the past five years. We will miss you and are praying for you! PLEASE JOIN US for a potluck lunch in the Sanchez' honor, right after service today.

LATER TODAY...

[No Prayer Time Tonight]

6:00 PM

Edge Group (after High School) meets

PRAISE & PETITION



“I will call upon the Lord, Who is worthy to be Praised, and I am saved from any enemies.”

~ Psalm 18:3

Praise the Lord for:

1. His faithfulness and trustworthiness.
2. The wonderful gift of salvation through Jesus Christ for all who trust Him.
3. The summer season, with all of its opportunities for traveling and witnessing.
4. The great nation of ours and the privilege we have of living here. Let's pray for our country!
5. The Body of Christ, with all its diversity!
6. The great ministry of Broken Arrow Bible Ranch!

Petition the Lord for:

1. More of a heart for the lost! More desire to share the gospel!
2. All our moms, dads, families, as they strive to take a stand for Jesus Christ
3. The staff at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch as they prepare to begin the camping season.
4. Aaron Chavez, as he and teammates minister in the Former Soviet Republic.
5. Pastor Rob, Liesl, and family as they prepare to move to the Denver area at the end of this week.
6. Steve Yoder, as he begins tomorrow as the new Minister of Youth of GBC!
7. Couples preparing for marriage: Anders Berg & Jennifer Schell (June 15, 2013); Emilio Esparza & Kimberly Mans (June 15, 2013); Robert Scarbro & Heather DenBleyker (June 29, 2013); Dan Tom & Cheryl Walker (August 8, 2013); Chris Piano & Sarah Luginbuhl (Sept. 21, 2013); Ryan Hamilton & Erica Sowers (October 5, 2013); Lee Charles & Sarah Herington (Oct. 12, 2013)
8. Ricky Lee (Nellie Lee's son) and Sean Begaye, both in Afghanistan; Adam Sowers (Ft. Jackson)
9. Our President, military advisors, military men and women.

“God’s Plans for Israel!”

**(Part 23 of a Series in Romans, “The Righteousness of God!”)
Romans 11:1-16**

A good many Christians have been led to believe that God is “done” with Israel and has now replaced Israel with the Church. This is simply not true. God still has great plans for Israel, even as He has for the church. Today and next week, we will see what God has in mind for the nation of Israel ... and for us!

God has not cast His people Israel aside! Check out ...

1. The Apostle Paul (vss. 1-2a)

2. Elijah (vss. 2b-10)

3. The Gentiles (vss. 11-16)

This Week at Grace Bible...

(Here at the church unless otherwise noted.)

Monday, June 3

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Life Group (OT Survey) at Marshalls' home
(1419 Elva Drive)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Life Group (1,2,3 John) at the Luginbuhls'
Home (303 Cactus Rd.)

Tuesday, June 4

5:20 PM Ladies' Aerobics (across from offices)

7:00 PM Life Group (Obadiah) at DenBleykers' home
(615 VandenBosch)

Thursday, June 6

5:20 PM Ladies' Aerobics (across from offices)

7:00 PM Men's Prayer Time

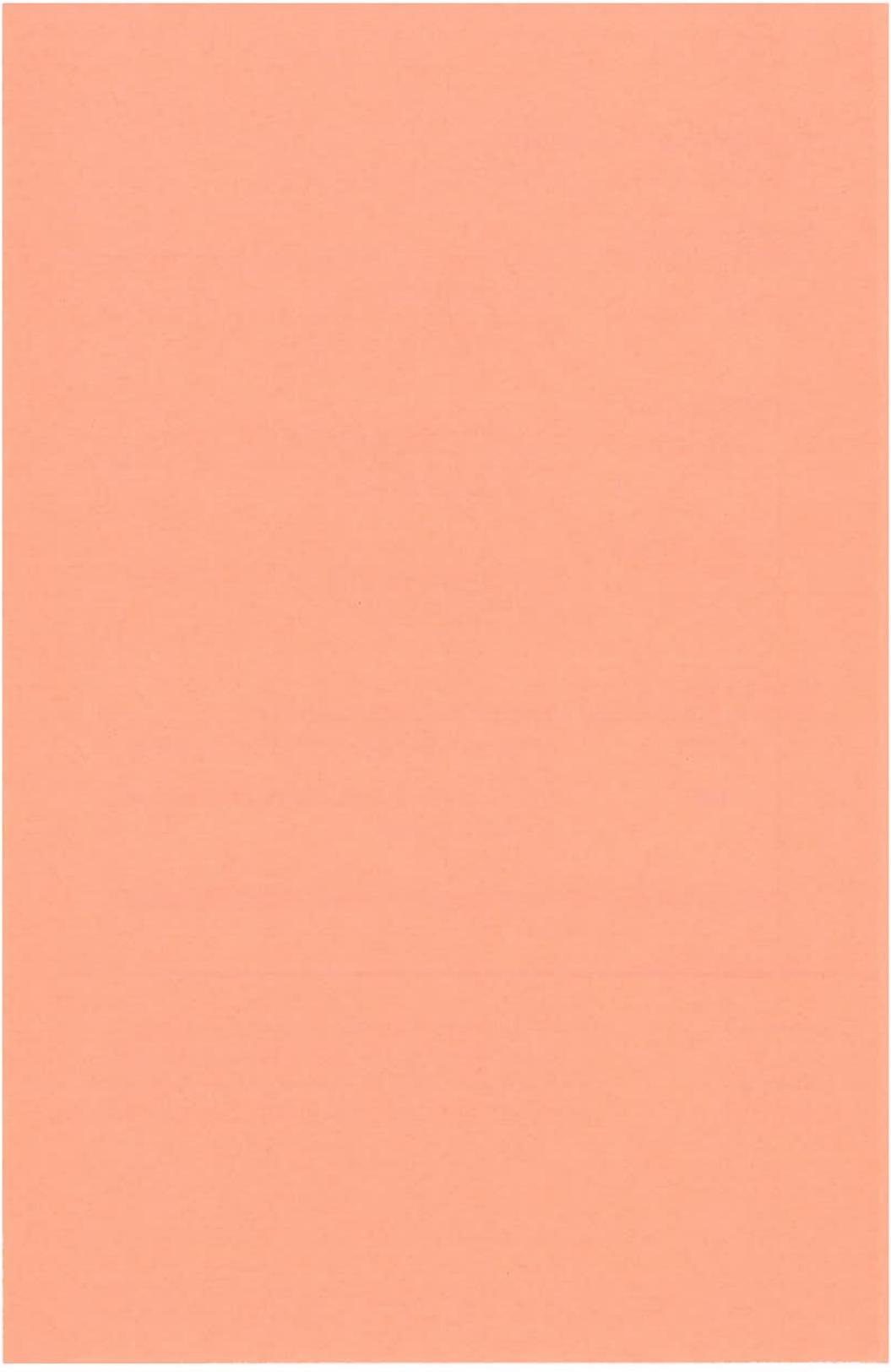
Sunday, June 9

(During AM Service) The Lord's Table Observed
Noon Meeting with Pastor Steve and parents of
youth

PM Pulse (entering grade 6 through entering
grade 12) meets

COMING SOON:

June 15 Anders Berg/Jennifer Schell Wedding;
Emilio Esparza/Kimberly Mans Wedding
June 23 Reception @ GBC for Anders & Jennifer
June 29 Robert Scarbro/Heather DenBleyker Wedding



significant news for christians

Some news that's encouraging—some disturbing. Read with discernment. Watch and pray.

THE Church Around the WORLD

June 2013



Norway



North Korea



Country in Focus: Norway (1)

Norway is a long, mountainous, fjord-indented country on the Norwegian Sea that boasts a strong economy with high earnings from oil, mining, fishing, and high-tech industries. Norway's state religion is Lutheranism, and many of its leaders are soundly evangelical and stand firm on theological and moral issues. The country also has a strong missionary tradition. It has maintained a solid outreach vision and is one of the top mission-sending nations. However, while Norwegian church membership is high, actual belief and attendance are low.

Pray for:

- the Lutheran Church, which faces the challenges of a pluralistic society, the rise of drug usage, and acceptance of homosexual behavior;
- a sense of revival and urgency among all church members;
- outreach into the rapidly growing immigrant communities—Muslims are the second largest religious group.

US Missionary Robert Park to Press Charges against North Korea (2)

US missionary and human rights activist Robert Park will press charges against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) for the extensive torture he suffered, in violation of international laws and principles, during his 43-day imprisonment in North Korea.

Park crossed illegally into North Korea from China on December 25, 2009, to protest the genocide and crimes against humanity taking place within the country. The missionary has since been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, continues to suffer frequent nightmares and flashbacks, and has attempted suicide twice as a result of the trauma he experienced.

Members of the USS *Pueblo* who were tortured in North Korea in 1968 successfully sued the DPRK in US courts in 2009, with a federal judge awarding them \$65 million in damages. But a source close to the case says that Park "is not interested in a financial settlement but in speaking out against the regime's mass atrocities and ongoing genocide, and has vowed to devote any money earned to funding anti-Pyongyang forces within North Korea and in China."

Genocide Watch, a Washington-based international nongovernmental organization that seeks to end genocide, said in a recent report that North Korea has "committed genocide and political mass killings" and is "a serial killer state."

Christian Group Suing London Mayor for Banning “Not Gay” Ads ⁽³⁾

A Christian group is taking the mayor of London to court, claiming that he violated their right to free speech by banning posters that said homosexuals can be “reoriented” through prayer and therapy.

Mayor Boris Johnson barred the Core Issues Trust from installing posters that said, “Not Gay! Ex-Gay, Post-Gay, and Proud. Get over it!” on the sides of London buses. The ads were created in response to a previous poster campaign by gay-rights group Stonewall, which said, “Some people are gay. Get over it!” Johnson believes the ads by the Christian trust are offensive to gays and might spark retaliation against the wider Christian community.

Dr. Mike Davidson, the head of the trust, and his supporters are going to the high court, seeking reversal of the ban on the grounds that it stifled their free speech. “This

is all about being free to talk about these issues,” Davidson said. “It was a mistake to assume these views we were expressing came from entrenched homophobia, and failed to recognize that people who want to walk away from their homosexual feelings are a group in their own right.”

Transport authorities have said the posters violated their advertising policy because they carried a “publicly controversial message” and could “cause widespread offense to members of the public.”

Police Break Up Plot to Assassinate Turkish Pastor ⁽⁴⁾

Police in Turkey say they thwarted an assassination plot against a Christian pastor when they arrested 14 suspects, two of whom had been part of the pastor’s congregation for more than a year. Emre Karaali, pastor of Izmit Protestant Church and the target of the alleged plot, says two of the arrested suspects were regular attenders who feigned interest



This month you can... Pray for the Rescue of Women from Slavery and Prostitution

Vision Beyond Borders is offering a free 15-day prayer guide that will help direct your prayers for women held captive as slaves or held in the bondage of prostitution. The organization’s Vision for Women ministry is working in some of the world’s poorest countries to meet the spiritual and physical needs of our sisters in Christ. The extreme poverty in Nepal and India results in malnutrition, disease, illiteracy, and often deep spiritual depravity.

Little value is placed on women and girls in these countries, where they are sold into sex slavery by members of their own families for as little as 10 US dollars, depending on their age and beauty.

In Nepal alone, an estimated 250,000 women and girls have been sold to work in the brothels of India. Even if they are not sold, very often women are expected to work in areas of hard physical labor. They refer to themselves as “the walking dead,” for

they are without hope. Girls as young as seven have been sold into slavery.

The organization’s vision is to come alongside and assist believers in other countries who are reaching out to women and girls abandoned by their families, bringing them the hope of Jesus Christ and ministering to their needs right where they are.

To request a copy of the 15-day prayer guide from Vision Beyond Borders, visit VisionBeyondBorders.org.



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in Christianity and that one of them even participated in a baptism. Some of the other suspects also visited the church, Karaali told World Watch Monitor, and three of the suspects are women.

“These people had infiltrated our church and collected information about me, my family, and the church and were preparing an attack against us,” said Karaali, 33, a native Turk and a convert to Christianity.

Press reports said the Izmit antiterror police decided to close in when they learned the network of suspects had brought in someone from Diyarbakir, in eastern Turkey, to carry out the murder. Izmit, about 100 miles east of Istanbul, is the heart of an industrial region of about one million people and is known for the devastation it faced in the earthquake of 1999 that claimed thousands of lives. The Izmit Protestant Church, operating for 13 years, is a small congregation, ministering to 20 people, all of whom are Turkish converts to Christianity. Karaali and his wife have served the church for four years, in an environment he described as difficult.

Christians in Syria Targeted for Kidnapping ⁽⁵⁾

A Syrian Orthodox refugee living in a poor neighborhood of Istanbul says he worked as a dentist in the city of Aleppo as long as he could after fighting broke out in 2011; he

finally fled Syria when lack of food, electricity, and water, along with constant fear of sniper fire and kidnapping of Christians by Islamic extremists, made life too dangerous. “Some people would come to my dental office and threaten me with kidnapping,” he said. “I finally had to close my practice.” The refugee says he paid \$6,000 to a smuggler to help him leave and crossed the border while under gunfire.



Another refugee from northern Syria, identified only as Ibrahim, fled when his aunt was kidnapped. He says the kidnapers were colluding with foreign Muslim extremists who are fighting President Bashar al-Assad and want to set up an Islamic state. His aunt was eventually ransomed for \$6,000.

Having crossed into Turkey after paying bribes at the border, Ibrahim worries about his future since Syria is no longer safe for Christians, while local charity groups in Turkey have ignored Syrian Orthodox refugees. “How can we stay in Turkey?” he said. “Nobody gives me a job because they don’t like

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Arabs, and it would be worse if they knew I [am] a Christian. Even charity organizations in Turkey don't assist me when they find out I am a Christian."

Uganda: The Blind Can Now See the Bible (6)

During the launch of the Braille Bible by the Bible Society of Uganda, it was clear that to the blind, Braille is everything. For years, Ugandans have had no complete Bible written using Braille, which allows those who are blind to read with their fingers. But Emmanuel Turinawe, the project coordinator at the Bible Society, believes that now many will not only use the Bible as a reference, but also be encouraged to start up their own churches.



"Many of these people are gifted in so many ways; some can sing, play musical instruments, while others can preach the Word of God. So, with the Braille Bible now, it is their opportunity to minister to God," Turinawe said.

Turinawe explains that a Braille Bible has existed before, but it lacked a compilation of the books and some chapters were missing. The current Braille Bible, consisting of 43 volumes of books from the entire Bible, is complete.

Christians in Libya Arrested and Tortured (7)

Arrests of Christians accused of proselytizing continue in Libya, with a total of seven people now known to be in custody, including one reported to have been tortured.

Four expatriate Christians in the eastern coastal town of Benghazi were first arrested and accused of proselytizing. Libya's Preventative Security Unit arrested the Egyptian, South African, Korean, and dual Swedish-American Christians, who have yet to be officially charged. Later, Preventative Security officers picked up two more Egyptian Christians, and finally another Egyptian Christian was arrested.

Preventative Security spokesman Hussein Bin Hmeid said in a statement to Reuters that the four Christians originally arrested were printing books calling for conversion to Christianity. He said the country is 100 percent Muslim and that proselytizing "affects our national security." Only one of the four arrested, Sherif Ramses of Egypt, has been publicly identified. When Ramses was arrested, he allegedly had 30,000 Bibles in storage. Ramses ran a small printing service in Benghazi and a bookstore that sold both Christian and secular books.

Preventative Security is an internal police force that was formed during the Libyan Revolution by regional rebel leaders. The arrests are the latest in a series of incidents against Christians or Christian symbols. In December, two Egyptian Christians were killed and two others wounded when suspected Islamic extremists threw a homemade bomb into a Coptic Orthodox church building.

I say, love your enemies!
Pray for those who persecute you! MATTHEW 5:44

WE WELCOME YOU!

There are many good reasons for coming to church, but we hope that your joining us this morning includes the best reason: to thank and worship God for His amazing love revealed in the birth, life, and ministry, the suffering and death, and the wondrous resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! This is what our church is all about! If you are visiting today, please fill out a guest card and bring it to our Welcome Center in the foyer and receive a free gift. Thank you ... and visit us again!

The mission of our church is to prayerfully
prepare believers for worshiping God, serving
Christ, loving one another, and
reaching out to others!

2013 YEAR VERSE

“Let us consider how we may spur one another
on toward love and good deeds.”

- Hebrews 10:24

OUR THANKS to all who helped make our church garage sale (yesterday morning) a success! We appreciate all your donations as well as your work! We made approximately \$900.

PARENTS of young people entering 6th grade through entering 12th grade: Brief meeting with Pastor Steve Yoder next Sunday after church. Also, please note that the Pulse (Youth group) will meet on Sunday nights beginning June 9.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY: Teacher for our Children's Church (ages 1st - 4th grades). This is on a rotating basis (you would teach 1 month and be off for 2 months). If you are interested in this, please contact Linda Luginbuhl. Thank you!

PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE: Beginning June 9, children will no longer be allowed to bring food or drink into their Sunday School class. Sunday School for all ages begins at 9 AM.

Our Faith Bible Institute satellite school is offering a summer course entitled, "The Doctrine of Prophecy" on four Tuesdays in a row beginning July 9 (6:30 PM - 9:30 PM). Open to all, age 14 & older. Brochures are on the Literature shelf in the foyer with more information! Sign-up deadline is June 9. See Bernie or Connie Comer for more information.



CAMP IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER! Summer camp at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch! Eight weeks to choose from, beginning June 10! Bright yellow information/registration forms are at the Welcome Desk. Why not go to camp this Summer? You'll be glad you did!

This Week in Church History...

On June 8, 1942, CrossWorld was incorporated in the U.S. in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Formerly called the "U.F.M. International" (and before that, "The Unevangelized Field Mission"), this evangelical, interdenominational mission agency is primarily engaged in evangelism, church planting, theological education, Bible translation, and medical assistance. Headquartered in Kansas City, MO, CrossWorld (the new name it adopted in 2005) works in 25 countries in Latin America, Europe, and Africa. Nearly 400 missionaries currently serve with CrossWorld, including "our own" Laura Hansen (in Romania). For more info, go to www.crossworld.org

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"It is not for us to set an hour-glass to the Creator of time."

~ Samuel Rutherford