



For as often as  
you eat this bread  
and drink the cup,  
you proclaim  
the Lord's death  
until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

## **GRACE BIBLE CHURCH**

222 Boulder Drive, Gallup, NM 87301

Sunday School - 9:00 AM

Youth Group - 6:00 PM

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 ~*  
*April 12, 2015*

**WELCOME**

9:00 AM  
10:15 AM

Sunday School for all ages  
Worship Service

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Call to Worship

Welcome/Announcements

Praise & Worship\*

Special Music

Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:26-30; I Cor. 11:23-31

Message

John Luginbuhl

**“The Lord’s Supper!”**  
**(Part 16 of a Series, “Foundational Truths”)**

The Lord’s Table

Closing

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\*Offering will be received during the fourth song; children age 3 - grade 4 will be dismissed to Children’s Church after Praise & Worship.

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**SERVING IN THE NURSERY TODAY:**

*Crawlers: Alicia Yale & Joel Hillis*

*Walkers: Naomi Yazzie & Madison Sulliff*

**SERVING IN THE NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY:**

*Crawlers: Brenda Manning & Moriah Yale*

*Walkers: Rachel Irving & Zach Yale*

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**LATER TODAY...**

6:00 PM Prayer Time (across from Pastor John’s office)

6:00 PM Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets

6:00 PM Edge Group (age18-25) meets

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## 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!

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

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### 2015 YEAR VERSE:

"In God is my salvation and my glory. The rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God."

- Psalm 62:7

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WE INVITE YOU TO PARTAKE of the Lord's Table this morning - whether you are a visitor or regular-attender - if you are trusting Jesus Christ alone for salvation and if there is no known unconfessed sin in your life.

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### IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING...

- \* approximately 125 people attended our Good Friday Worship Service;
  - \* approximately 175 people attended the Easter morning breakfast;
  - \* 328 people attended our Easter morning Worship Service!
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**CALLING ALL GRADUATES:** Are you graduating soon from high school, college, grad school, nursing school (etc.)? Please contact Pastor John or Pastor Steve as soon as possible so that we can recognize you on "Graduation Sunday". (May 3)!

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A list of April birthdays and anniversaries of regular-attenders of Grace Bible is on the kitchen door. Please make (legible) corrections/additions right on the list. Thank you!

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## QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, April 26, Noon

Please come!

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DIDN'T RECEIVE YOUR COPY of the new (April) issue of our "in-house" newsletter, "Grace Notes"? Copies are available at the Welcome Desk and on the Literature Shelf.

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IF YOU WOULD LIKE to be added (or removed) from the church's e-mail list (Prayer requests, missionary letters, reminders of upcoming events, etc.), please send a brief note to Pastor John at [john@gracebiblegallup.org](mailto:john@gracebiblegallup.org). Thank you!

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### **This Week in Church History...**

On April 15, 1983, Corrie ten Boom (b. 1892), Dutch devotional writer and Christian survivor of the Nazi persecutions in her native country, died. Corrie died on her 91st birthday.

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### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...**

*"Death stung himself to death when he stung Christ."*

*~ William Romaine*



## PRAISE & PETITION

“O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done wonderful things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained the victory for Him.”

~ Psalm 98:1

### Praise the Lord for:

1. The fact that our God is a wonderful God!
2. The suffering Jesus did in our place, to pay for our sins; eternal life and forgiveness of sins through Jesus, as we put our personal faith in Him!
3. The privilege of worshiping Him!
4. The wonderful work of the Holy Spirit of God - for giving us the ministry of reconciliation and restoration!
5. Entrusting us with the Gospel, opportunities to share it!
6. A wonderful Easter last Sunday!

### Petition the Lord for:

1. More of a desire to “make the most of our time” for the Lord Jesus.
2. Continued growth in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ. (I Peter 3:18)
3. The 33 men and young men from our church who are going to the Promise Keepers Conference in Phoenix next weekend.
4. Jim & Barb Choury as they continue to minister in Colorado!
5. Charles & Mildred Schoolcraft (struggling with health issues); Nellie Wero; Mike Lengal (recuperating); Marji Campbell's granddaughter, Riley (recuperating from heart surgery); Ray Alonzo (recuperating from hip surgery); Kelly Stapp (recuperating from ankle surgery); Jonathan Helf (recuperating from knee surgery); EJ Charles (undergoing continued medical treatments); Rick Hess (recuperating from surgery)
6. Ricky Lee (Nellie Lee's son) and Sean Begaye, in Afghanistan; Adam Sowers (Ft. Hood); Kyle Prendergast (Ophelia Krupica's son), stationed (Air Force) in Germany.
7. Our President, military advisors, military men and women.

**“The Lord’s Supper!”**  
**(Part 16 of a Series, “Foundational Truths!”)**  
**Matthew 26:26-30; I Corinthians 11:23-31**

We continue in a series of sermons concerning the foundational truths upon which we live our lives and operate the church. We are working our way through our church’s “Statement of Faith”. Thus far we have looked at the verbal and plenary inspiration of the Scriptures, the Trinity, the Virgin birth of Jesus, the Image of God, justification by faith alone in Christ alone, the resurrection and High Priestly work of Jesus, the rapture of the church, being born again, the gifts of the Spirit, the eternal security of the believer in Jesus, the resurrection of the believer and the unbeliever, the reality of Satan, the local body of believers in Jesus, and baptism.

STATEMENT #14b: “We believe that the Lord’s Supper is to be observed periodically; that all born-again believers are welcome, regardless of affiliation; that the elements represent, but are not physically, His body and blood; and that the ordinance is a memorial feast, not a sacrifice.”

There are many things in life which easily become “routine”. We do them without really giving much thought as to why we do them. The Lord’s Supper (“Communion”), for the church, can become one of those things.

- 1. Why Do We Have “Communion” / “The Lord’s Table”?  
Vss. 24-26**
  
- 2. Partaking in a “Worthy Manner” Vs. 27**
  
- 3. Examining Ourselves Vs. 28 (see also 2 Cor. 13:5)!**

## **This Week at Grace Bible...**

(Here at the church unless otherwise noted.)

### **Monday, April 13**

**7:00 PM**

Life Group at Luginbuhls' (303 Cactus Rd);  
New study on the Names of God!

### **Tuesday, April 14**

**9:30 AM**

Ladies' Bible Study

**5:00 PM**

Handbell Rehearsal

**5:20 PM**

Ladies' Aerobics

**6:30 PM**

FBI Class

**7:00 PM**

Life Group meets at Silvas'  
(621 VandenBosch Pkwy.); study in James

### **Wednesday, April 15**

**6:00 PM**

AWANA

### **Thursday, April 16**

**5:20 PM**

Ladies' Aerobics

### **Friday, April 27-Sunday, April 19**

Promise Keepers Conference (Phoenix)  
Men LEAVE GBC Parking Lot at 8:15 AM Friday

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## **COMING SOON:**

**April 21 (6 PM)**

Deacons' Meeting; Elders' Meeting

**April 26**

Quarterly Business Meeting

**April 29**

Last regular night of AWANA

**April 30 (6:30 PM)**

Deaconess' Meeting

**May 2**

Men's Breakfast; Ladies' Tea

**May 3**

"Graduation Sunday"

**May 6**

AWANA "Grand Finale" Night

**May 7**

National Day of Prayer

(Prayer Mtg. Noon - 1 PM at GBC)

**May 16**

All-Church Work Day

# LADIES'/GIRLS' TEA



*Saturday, May 2*

*11:00 AM to 1:00 PM*

*(Come nicely dressed!)*

*Come for brunch, lots of fellowship,  
and just a great time!*

*The theme of our tea is  
"Abiding in Christ"!*



*If you plan to attend,  
please sign up at the table in the back!*



# Secret Sisters

Secret Sisters are all about getting to know someone in the church a little better. The purpose is not to spend money on gifts but to pray for and give encouragement to one another. Secret Sisters are open for all ladies, college age and above. We will be doing this session of Secret Sisters for half a year.

In order to participate, you must be willing to:

- 🌸 *Pray for your Secret Sister regularly*
- 🌸 *Communicate with your Secret Sister at least once a month through cards, notes or small gifts. (Cards or gifts can be home-made, and should cost no more than \$5 for the monthly gift and no more than \$10 for the final gift).*
- 🌸 *Hide your identity until the big reveal.*
- 🌸 *Have fun and see how you can make a difference in someone else's life.*
- 🌸 *Fill out the form on the back and place it in the offering plate, in the basket on the registration table, or give it to a Deaconess (Beth Hess, Angela O'Bourke, Sarah Piano, or Alicia Yale)*



# Secret Sisters

Please fill out as much information as possible. This is what will be given to the "sister" that will have your name.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Request: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Hobby: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Food/Treat: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Scent: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Flower: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Food Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

## significant news for christians

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

# THE Church Around the WORLD

April 2015



## Country in Focus: Greece (1)

Greece was the first European country to be evangelized (recorded in Acts 16:10), but Christianity there is now mostly a cultural expression. Less than 3 percent of the population regularly attend church, and the evangelical church represents less than 0.5 percent of the population. Greece's economic and social travails of the past few years have caused much uncertainty, upheaval, and disruption. The massive deficit and debt, the crisis of the euro, and the threat of financial meltdown regardless of what actions are taken cause fingers of blame to point in all directions. Protests and riots are increasingly common and frequently violent. The Orthodox Church was a rallying point for Greece during the Ottoman and German occupations, but spiritual renewal and reformation are now needed within the Greek Orthodox Church. The relationship between Orthodox and Protestant communities has been characterized by rivalry, mistrust, and hostility. Pray for:

- Unity in the Spirit for those who share their faith with nonbelievers;
- Greek evangelicals to courageously witness in public;
- Effective theological training for local pastors..

## Filipino City Requires Taxicabs to Display Bible Verses (2)

The small Filipino tourist city of Tagbilaran mandates that all of its taxi drivers paint Scripture on the back of their vehicles, in an effort to curb crime in the city.

"This is the only city in the Philippines that has such an ordinance," Samuel Belderol, who issues taxi licenses at city hall, said. "We want the world to know that we are a God-fearing city and that these Bible verses help us draw closer to God. We only issue 3,000 licenses every year, and each one must have a unique verse on it, no duplicate verses allowed," he explained.

City council member Lucile Lagunay said that the presence of the verses has helped to change the atmosphere in the city and has consequently lowered the crime rate. "With a biblical message at the back of the units, commuters get to see the message every day, and it helps in a way to preserve the peace in our city."

## Kerry Uses Scripture in Charge on Climate Change (3)

At a ceremony to appoint Texas attorney Shaarik Zafar as a special representative to Muslim communities, Secretary of State John Kerry said that Muslim countries are vulnerable to climate

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change. Kerry said, “Our faiths are inextricably linked on the environment. For many of us, respect for God’s creation also translates into a duty to protect and sustain his first creation, Earth, the planet. Before God created man he created Heavens and Earth.

“Confronting climate change is, in the long run, one of the greatest challenges that we face, and you can see this duty or responsibility laid out in Scriptures, clearly, beginning in Genesis. And Muslim-majority countries are among the most vulnerable. Our response to this challenge ought to be rooted in a sense of stewardship of Earth. And for me and for many of us here today, that responsibility comes from God.”

Kerry identifies as a Catholic, though he has said in the past that he firmly believes in the separation of church and state.

## 100,000 Demand TLC Cancel “19 Kids and Counting” (3)

Liberal activists and other viewers are pressuring TLC to cancel “19 Kids and Counting,” the successful cable television show featuring the Duggar family and their Christian values. More than 100,000 people have signed an online petition that calls on TLC to cancel the series, claiming the Duggar family uses their fame “to promote dis-

crimination, hate, and fear-mongering.” The petition came after the Duggar family was accused of removing photos of same-sex couples submitted to their Facebook “Kissing Challenge.” The controversy further involves Michelle Duggar’s participation in an Arkansas robocall urging voters to oppose an anti-discrimination ordinance.

Jim Bob and Michelle Duggar and their 19 children have been outspoken over the years in defending human life from abortion and promoting abstinence education, but recent comments made by the family, calling the abortions in American since 1973 a “baby holocaust,” have further angered critics. Some are also upset about son Josh Duggar’s involvement with the Family Research Council’s legislative group, FRC Action—a pro-life group that has pushed for a ban on abortion after 20 weeks and stopping taxpayer funding of abortions. The petition argues that FRC Action is a hate group.

In a recent speech, Jim Bob Duggar claimed that the petition has been ineffective, instead calling more attention to the show. He said, “We love everybody. It’s a small group creating this fuss. All it has done is give us more exposure.”

## Keeping the Faith (3)

Parents are the largest factor in whether youth remain religiously active as young

## This month you can... Hold a Potluck

**T**hink the time for potlucks has passed? Think no one wants to attend a boring potluck? Ask members of the Chandler Christian Church in Arizona, who just set a Guinness World Record for the “Largest Church Potluck Party.” Approximately 1,275 people attended the event at the Arizona church, breaking

the previous record of 860.

Long relegated to the punch line of a joke, church potlucks can get people in the congregation to meet and talk in a fun, nonthreatening atmosphere. Perhaps you won’t be able to top Chandler Christian Church’s attendance record, but a potluck party can be an easy, informal way to gather

generations together.

If your church isn’t holding potlucks—or hasn’t in years—maybe it’s time to reconsider.

*World’s largest potluck party, shown above. Photo courtesy of Guinness World Records North America, Inc.*





## Church Around the WORLD

adults, according to the National Study of Youth and Religion. When parents talked about their faith at home, were active in their congregations, and attached great significance to their faith, 82 percent of their children were highly religious in their mid-to late twenties. Two-thirds of young adults raised by black Protestant parents and one half of those with conservative Protestant parents had high or moderate levels of religious commitment as young adults. Seventy percent of young adults raised by mainline Protestants showed minimal or lower levels of religious commitment.

### **Pakistan Court Orders Arrest of Muslim Clerics (4)**

Two Muslim clerics who started a mob that led to the beating, killing, and burning of a Christian couple are facing arrest. Pakistan's Supreme Court made the decision to arrest the individuals. Additionally, the court ordered five police officers to face disciplinary action for not intervening as the mob tortured and killed the couple.

Christians Sheathed and Shamah Masih were accused of defiling the Quran in early November. The accusation prompted a mob to beat the couple, eventually throwing them into a brick kiln and burning their bodies. The couple had four children, and Shamah

Masih was pregnant at the time. Police have charged 138 people with torturing the Christians and have 59 in custody related to the crime.

### **Turkey Allows First New Church Since 1923 (5)**

The Islamic government of Turkey has authorized the construction of a new church, for the country's tiny Syriac community, for the first time since the establishment of the modern republic in 1923. The Syrian Christian church will be built on state-owned land not far from Greek Orthodox, Armenian, and Catholic churches in an Istanbul suburb.



Of the 80 million people in Turkey, most of whom are Muslim, about 100,000 are Christian. The move to allow the church could be aimed at pacifying the European Union after Turkey was recently criticized for making efforts to erase its Christian past, reflected in the conversion of an ancient Byzantine church into a mosque.

## Christians in North Korea “Face Unimaginable Pressure” (6)

The controversy between Sony Pictures and North Korea has brought the dictator-ruled nation back into the spotlight, and David Curry, CEO of Open Doors USA, describes Christians’ torturous living conditions in the oppressed nation.

Curry emphasizes that North Korea is a horrible place for believers to live and highlights that 50,000 to 70,000 Christians are imprisoned in labor camps. “Christians in North Korea face unimaginable pressure in every sphere of life. Forced to meet only in secret, they dare not share their faith even with their families.

Anyone discovered engaging in secret religious activity may be subject to arrest, disappearance, torture, and even public execution.”

He further explained that Christians’ family members could receive punishment from the government even if they’re not believers themselves.

Curry also noted that Open Doors’ World Watch List provides Christians with information on the countries with the highest level of persecution for believers throughout the world. North Korea has earned the top spot 12 years in a row.

Despite heavy persecution, the Christian faith continues to flourish in the nation, according to Curry, who explained how North Koreans risk their lives every day while sharing their faith. He views their faith as an inspiration to Western Christians.

## India’s “Untouchables” Told to Deny Faith (7)

Often referred to as the “Untouchables,” Dalits are the most severely oppressed group of Indians, living in extreme poverty. Life is even more unbearable for those in this class who profess to be Christians, as it makes them the target not only of religious discrimination and persecution but of government oppression as well. State officials have declared that only Hindu Dalits can receive government program benefits. Today, there are an estimated 15 million Dalit Christians in India.

According to a report by International Christian Concern, converting back to Hinduism is the only means by which poverty-stricken Christian “Untouchables” can receive the state benefits they desperately need—a decision and sacrifice many Christians are still unwilling to make.

“It has left millions of Dalits to have to decide between choosing to follow Jesus as their Lord and Savior and receiving government benefits that have the ability to take their families out of poverty,” the report said.

*To check out books and other church resources, please visit [www.TyndaleDirect.com](http://www.TyndaleDirect.com).*

**And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don’t know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words.**

**ROMANS 8:26**