

# ***This Summer, Rest in God!***

By Pastor Larry Rupp

As another summer comes upon us we see our schedules filling up with various activities, vacations, and hopefully some rest. Please allow me to challenge you, as you are planning your summer. Indeed, do take time for rest, but do not rest from God, rather rest in God. Our Lord Jesus Christ, shares His desire for us to rest in Him in Matthew 11:28-30: ***Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.***



Please consider Grace Bible Church as a place in which you can rest this summer. Our teaching focus will be geared towards rest for the weary and heavy laden. First, our Sunday morning adult Bible study, starting June 6<sup>th</sup>, will focus on ***God's promises***. We will be studying and interacting with God's promises for us in all the seasons of life, such as, when we feel guilty, depressed, sick, confused, and anxious. This will be a

very application orientated study. If you have not been coming at 9:00am Sunday morning please come and let's learn together from God's word. Secondly, our sermon series, starting on July 11<sup>th</sup>, will be ***Standing Strong*** a study of 1 Peter. This series will help us to stand strong for God in all situations. In July during our evening family Vacation Bible School from July 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, we will be studying the life of Joseph. We are titling this series ***Dealing with Life's Ups & Downs!***

Along with this ***Women of Grace*** continues on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday nights. E.K.G. will also continue through the summer at 6:30pm on Wednesdays. We will have church fellowship meals the first Wednesday nights of June, July, and August, at 6:00pm preceding E.K.G.

As you can probably tell, I am really excited about this summer and looking forward to what God is going to do at Grace Bible Church this summer and in the future.

**Let's come together this summer and grow and rest in Christ together!**

**GRACE BIBLE CHURCH CONNECTION  
JUNE 2010**

### Upcoming Worship Team Meeting

All worship team and sound team members (including anybody who would like to be on the teams) are invited to join us on Wednesday, June 23rd at 8pm for a meeting to touch base, ask for feedback, and help to answer any questions that have arisen over the past year regarding new sound equipment or ideas for new songs. We will conclude with a time of prayer, thanking God for all that He has done through the music worship ministries of Grace Bible Church over the past year and asking for His guidance and direction for the year to come.

### **Summer VBS is coming soon !**

We are planning on holding our regular VBS program the week of July 18th -22nd from 5:45-8:30pm. Our theme this year will be “Saddle Ridge Ranch” and we’re looking forward to a great week of western-themed Christian fun. We will continue to hold planning meetings in June and early July, so now’s the time to start looking at your summer calendar. If you’d like to help out, please see the sign-up sheet in the sanctuary or speak with Pastor Kevin - we would love to find a place for you to serve this coming summer. **Yeehaw!**

#### BOOK NOTES FROM PASTOR KEVIN: A few suggestions for your summer reading...

First, make sure to get into a book that really interests you this summer. For example, I am going to be reading a biography of the well known pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer over the next few months. Bonhoeffer interests me because of the time period that he lived in (WW II) and what he tried to accomplish as a pastor during that era. Find something that interests you and see how others in the faith have persevered in the midst of both joyous and terrible times - it will strengthen your trust in what our God is capable of and equip you for the years ahead!

Secondly, don’t be afraid to pick up a book in an area of Christianity that challenges you. Perhaps you don’t know much about church history, or aren’t sure what Revelation is talking about even after reading it several times, or perhaps you just don’t understand why doctrine matters. In any case, seek out a book that will help you to better understand what the Scriptures say about these topics. It may be tough going, but by the end of the summer, you’ll be glad you did because you’ll have a renewed appreciation of the Scriptures and of our God who wrote them.

# GBC ART CAMP

*June 14th-18<sup>th</sup>, 9-11:30am with Art Show following on Friday*

*Free for grades 2-8, registration required*

*Contact:*

*Pastor Kevin*

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*Phone: 515-232-1126 / [kevin@gracebible50105.org](mailto:kevin@gracebible50105.org)*

*Also, seeking donations of the following items:*

*Magazines or catalogs with pictures of people (will be cut up).*

*Small mirrors (will be returned).*

*Wood scraps, craft wire, yarn, or artificial flowers.*



## **GBC Music Camp**



**AUGUST 2ND-6TH, 9AM-11:30AM**

**We will be offering a free music camp this summer during which children will be able to participate by helping to write and perform music under the guidance of Amanda Jennings. Combined with this, children will also get a chance to do some limited instrumentation and older children will be given the opportunity to create and edit a music video featuring their music.**

**A performance of the new music and related video will follow from 11:30am-12 noon on August 6th. Lunch will be provided and parents are invited to come and see what their kids have worked so hard on.**

**Contact Kevin to register.**

**CHANGING LIVES  
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST**

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CONNECTING TO THE GILBERT AREA  
WITH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST



## Women of Grace

Meeting 2nd & 4th

Mondays at 7:00pm

*All ladies Welcome!*

See Cheryl Rupp or Bonnie Baker if you have questions

## Summer EKG

During the summer, we will be holding a time of prayer and study at 6:30pm each Wednesday evening. Additionally, the first Wednesday of each month we will be holding a "First Wednesday Fellowship" in which food will be served starting at 6pm.

Join us for a grilling night on June 2nd!

### Ministering to the Lord, His Church, and One Another

Date	Nursery	Ushers/Greeters	Treats	Cleaning
06-06-10	Heather & Edith	Jeremy & Seth	K & M Miller	Joan & Baker's
06-13-10	Carol & Rachael	Dave R. & Kirk		Becker's
06-20-10	Anita & Jan	Wade & Annette	Ashby's	Cindy & Annette
06-27-10	Annette & Blair	Trent & Joseph	Baker's	Lorntson's

Reminder: Please clean up and do dishes after treats!

If you are unable to serve your date, please find a replacement to switch with or a substitute.

Thanks for serving - we appreciate you!