

Elders:

Rufus Barfield * Dan Jackson * Donnie McDaniel

Deacons:

Paul Byas * Chris Gorham * Rhett Moeller * Michael Myrick * Sheldon Smith

Evangelist:

Antoine Holloway

Worship Times:

Sunday Bible Study/9:30AM Sunday Morning Worship/10:30AM
Sunday Evening Worship/6:00PM Wednesday Bible Study/7:30PM

Meetings:

Men's Leadership Class **Saturday Evangelism Class**

December 22nd @ 9:00am December 8th @ 9:00am

Elders/Deacons Meeting **Women's Thursday Bible Study**

December 9th @ 5:00pm TBA

2013 Spring Gospel Meeting w/ Ethan Longhenry of Venice, California

April 18th-21st, 2013

2013 Vacation Bible School w/ David Graham of Cincinnati, Ohio

June 17th-21st, 2013

THEME: TBA

2013 Fall Gospel Meeting w/ Larry Wright of Savannah, Georgia

October 10th-13th, 2013

Prayer Requests (Health Problems & Sick Presently)

Judy Anderson * Thelma Findley * Virginia Fowler * JoAnn Harrison *
Andrew Madison * Bruce McDonald * Janet Ostroff * Isaac Parker * Earl
Sellers * Lewis & Anne Wise

Prayer Request (Unable To Attend Services Here)

Anne Harrison * Steven Chung * Angelita Dillon * Bruce McDonald *
Carlos Vargas

Prayer Request (Traveling)

Sheldon Smith

Additional Announcements

- Song Practice Today @ 5:00pm
- **Phillip Mullins** (Evangelist, Dulles church of Christ) will be our guest speaker for this evening.

Contribution & Attendance Figures

November 25 th	\$4,069-Contribution	132-Attendance
November 18 th	\$4,274-Contribution	150-Attendance

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Hear The Gospel (Acts 15:7) * Believe In Jesus (Acts 8:12) * Repent Of Our Sins (Acts 3:19) * Confess Christ To Be The Son Of God (Acts 8:37)
* Be Baptized In Water (Acts 22:16) * Remain Faithful (Acts 2:42)

TODAY'S DATE: December 2, 2012

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***"A Going Church For A Coming Lord, Which Does
All The Lord Authorizes" - Romans 16:16***

Making A Case For Grace



Hebrews 4:16 – “Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy & find grace to help in time of need.”

The most commonly used definition for grace is “God’s unmerited favor. We do not deserve it. We did not & cannot earn it, but God gives it to us anyway. Grace is a very important factor in communicating with God. We talk to God through prayer & God talks to us through His word. Faith is how we respond to God & grace is how God responds to us. The Hebrew writer makes it abundantly clear as a result of Jesus being our High Priest (who has been there/done that, & still remained sinless) that we should have the confidence to approach Christ. It is through God’s grace, we can obtain mercy, which is compassion that leads to an easing of deserved punishment or the eradication of punishment altogether. In addition to this, God’s grace is designed to provide help in our time of need. However, my question is “How are we to obtain mercy & find help through grace?” The case for grace is found in its spelling.

The “G” In Grace Is “Great.” God’s Grace Is Great (Acts 4:33)

God’s grace is great because it brings pardon, purity, peace, & purpose to our lives. We deserved to die in our sins, but God’s grace brought life to our souls through Christ Jesus our Lord (**Ephesians 2:8**).

The “R” In Grace Is “Redeeming.” God’s Grace Is A Redeeming Grace (Ephesians 2:5)

If God’s grace was not redeeming, then there would be no need for us to believe, repent, & be baptized. However, we respond in humble obedience to His gospel because Christ paid the supreme

price for our sins & “so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life” (**Titus 3:7**).

The “A” In Grace Is “Abundant.” God’s Grace Is An Abundant Grace (2 Corinthians 9:8)

When it comes to God’s grace, there is no shortage. God’s word calls it “abundant grace.” Listen to your Bible! In **2 Corinthians 4:15**, the Bible reads, “**For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more & more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.**” It is through the extension of God’s grace we faint not, although our outward man perish, we are renewed inwardly day by day (**2 Corinthians 4:16**).

The “C” In Grace Is “Comforting.” God’s Grace Is A Comforting Grace (2 Corinthians 12:9)

In **2 Corinthians 12:7**, Paul made mention of his thorn in the flesh. Oftentimes, we may have a “thorn in our flesh.” However, instead of complaining & loathing in self pity, we should take pleasure in our infirmities, reproaches, necessities, persecutions, & distresses because not only is Christ’s strength made perfect in our weakness, but we are made strong as well. This is all due to Christ’s grace not only being sufficient, but being also comforting.

The “E” In Grace Is “Everlasting.” God’s Grace Is An Everlasting Grace (Ephesians 2:7)

Time takes its toll on our possessions & treasures on this time-side of life. Even our bodies will fade away, but God’s grace is eternal. In order for us to be recipients of this everlasting grace, we must deny ungodliness, deny worldly lusts, live soberly, live righteously, & live godly in this present world (**Titus 2:11-12**).

The case for grace has been made. Humanity is in desperate need of it. Let us obtain it today before it is too late.

- **Antoine N. Holloway**