

MAY 2020

GRACE MONTHLY

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Psalm 18:30



Perfect Peace

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Amidst the various unforeseeable events that have happened in the last month - the pandemic of COVID-19, cancellation of IB exams, and tolerating the new online method of learning - one thing I can assure you is that the excuse, "I have no time", is now rendered futile. Quite unfortunately, my recent days have been problematic because of school issues, which soon deteriorated my mental and physical condition. Through the hardships, however, I sought for the peace that only God can provide and had an endeavor to have daily devotions specifically on His peace.

From Pastor Kevin's sermon, the second takeaway, "El Shaddai continually pours out his grace inspite of our doubts, failures, struggles, and hardships", particularly stood out to me as I was doubtful about my future. God never ceases to pour out His eternal grace onto us, whatever the circumstance; hence, this thought, for me, has been a huge relief to know that I am within His hands.

Although I had my doubts, while doing devotions I stumbled across this verse: "His way is perfect: The Lord's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in Him." (Psalm 18:30). After much reflection **I felt at ease knowing that I am within God's hands and that He has ultimate control.** Albeit my relationship with Christ is just starting, during the plentiful hours of quarantine, I want to challenge you all to reflect on your relationship with God; learn to lift up all of your worries and concerns onto Him, and experience the peace that only He can provide.

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APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

We are continuing to gather online for Sunday worship services. Join us at gracehanin.com/livetv with your families at one of the following times:

- 8AM (Korean)
- 10AM (Bilingual)
- 12PM (Bilingual)

Bilingual services will always begin with Shout worship with Pastors Hana and Isaac!



Sunday, April 12th was Easter Sunday. Pastor Park preached from Jonah 3: 1-10 with the title, "God, Do You Still Love Me?" From his message we were reminded that, despite our failures, God embraces us with His love when we come before Him in true repentance. In this challenging season, may we continue to experience and be transformed by the gracious love of our heavenly Father!



FRIDAY YOUTH NIGHT ONLINE

GEM Youth launched their weekly online Friday Youth Night on Friday, April 17th. Each gathering begins with a large group activity and a brief message from Pastor Josh. The remainder of the time is spent sharing and doing Bible study in small groups. Here's what it has been looking like, meeting online!



Praise & Prayer

- **Praise** God for a blessed Easter weekend! Though we could not physically gather at church to celebrate together, we believe that each household joyfully celebrated the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please continue to **pray** that each home will become a holy sanctuary, and that families will greatly cherish these times together.
- Grace Youth has been holding various gatherings online in the past month. **Pray** that these gatherings will provide the space for students and leaders to continue encouraging one another and helping each other grow in their faith life in this challenging season.
- Please continue to **pray** for the pastors and staff at GCC who are consistently adapting their programs to meet the needs of the church body. **Pray** that God would grant them the strength, creativity, and wisdom to help church members remain actively engaged with, and growing in, their faith life.
- Please continue to **pray** that this COVID-19 pandemic situation will subside soon. **Pray** for wisdom for the government officials as they consider relieving certain restrictions, that they will do it in a timely and wise manner. Continue also to **pray** for healing and protection for people who have been exposed to the virus.



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MAY

Friday, May 8th Family Worship Night (Online)

Various meetups will be happening online at different times throughout the month.

Make sure to keep up with our latest updates on our website, Instagram, or Facebook!

Quarantine Bingo

Since the quarantine status came into effect, we all had to change the way we spend our time. How have you been spending your time during the quarantine?

Try to see if you can get 5 in a row on the board below for a BINGO!

WENT FOR A WALK	VIDEO-CALLED A FRIEND	PHONE-CALLED A FRIEND	BAKED SOMETHING	READ A BOOK
PICKED UP A NEW HOBBY	WOKE UP BEFORE 8AM	WENT TO BED BEFORE 1AM	DID YOUR HOMEWORK	CLEANED YOUR CLOSET
PLAYED A BOARD GAME	PLAYED AN ONLINE GAME	ATTENDED CHURCH ONLINE	CUT YOUR OWN HAIR	CUT SOMEONE ELSE'S HAIR
EXERCISED	CREATED SOME SORT OF ARTWORK	COOKED A MEAL WITH FAMILY	WENT GROCERY SHOPPING	WENT OUT FOR A DRIVE
CELEBRATED A BIRTHDAY	WROTE A LETTER TO SOMEONE	ORDERED TAKE-OUT	SHOPPED ONLINE	COMPLETED A PUZZLE

What are some other things you have been doing lately? List them below!
