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GRACE MONTHLY

"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17:7-8



Let Go and Let God

by Jacob Kim

School is now going on full steam, and our lives seem to be getting busier and busier. Through GEM Youth's Friday Youth Night discussion series on "Building My Life in Christ" and the Sunday sermon series on the life of Moses, we discussed God's purpose, promise and desire to have a relationship with each and every one of us. God has a plan for everything, so all we need to do is confide in Him.

So much of our time is devoted to striving for success, and the fear of not being accepted or not succeeding in our lives creates worry and anxiety. This is a problem that so many people in our generation face, especially in youth. The age at which youth start worrying about school and their futures keeps going down and younger and younger grades are being affected. This is all in an effort to maintain control of our lives; to set ourselves up for success. But going back to the idea of God's purpose and His promise, if we really believe that God has providence over our lives, should we not trust in Him and live for Him?

The phrase, "let go and let God" seems very cliché at times, but it is something that I have been finding very crucial to apply in our lives. For all youth, it's hard to not worry or be anxious about what the future entails, but something that I have been learning is to **depend on God in all things**. No matter how much we worry and prepare for the future, we cannot expect what is to come - but God knows. It's hard to let go of the already little amount of control that we have, but as followers of Jesus, it's important to rely on Him in all aspects of our lives.

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OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

EASTER BAPTISM

9 Grace Youth students got baptized on Sunday, October 14th, and were given their certificates during their respective home ministries the following Sunday. Congratulations!



PRAISE & PRAYER NIGHT

On Friday, October 12th GEM Youth had their Praise & Prayer Night to start off their Friday Youth Night series on "Building My Life in Christ". They spent time praising God in song, as well as reflecting on who Jesus is to them personally. GEM Youth will be starting the discussion on the "Building My Life in Christ" series on November 9th.

CLAY and GEM will be having two joint Praise & Prayer Nights throughout the year, with the first one on November 2nd!

PAJAMA NIGHT

CLAY Youth에서 10월19일 금요모임때 Pajama Night을 했습니다. 예배팀으로 섬기는 학생들이 CLAY Youth가 서로를 더욱 알아가고자 하는 마음에서 이번 이벤트를 준비하게 되었습니다. 학생들이 모두 잠옷을 입고 와서 게임 하고, 교제 나누고, 서로를 더 알아가는 친목의 시간이었습니다. 우리 학생들이 하나님 안에서 한 몸을 이루어 서로를 사랑하고 아끼고 중보하는 하나님의 자녀들 될 수 있도록 기도해주세요!

TO DO:

- Read the Bible
- Do my homework
- Walk the dog
- Schedule a sleepover with my small group

Did you
schedule your
SLEEPOVER?

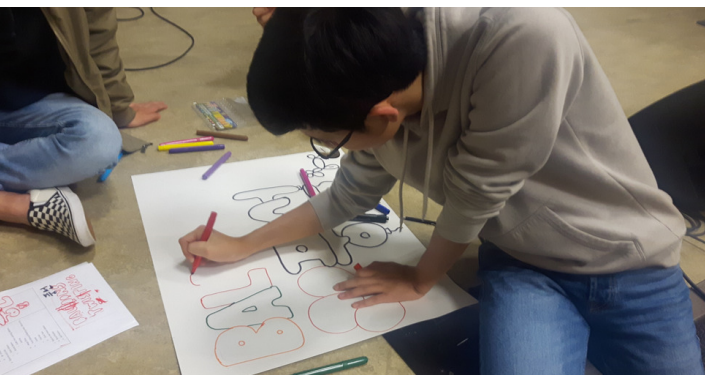


GEM Youth is scheduling sleepovers by grade throughout the year on Fridays! We would like every small group to have a sleepover by grade and gender, to spend a more intimate time in fellowship, prayer, and sharing. Ask your leader about it to set a date!

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS cont'd

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

On Saturday, October 27th Grace Youth and ABLE ministry hosted the 2nd annual "SHINE" Family Fall Festival. More than 80 youth and young adults volunteered their time to bless our church family, for everyone to enjoy a meaningful (as well as fun!) time with one another through games, food, and worship.



SHINE

"SHINE" is the theme for GCC's Family Fall Festival. Through this festival, we hope that children will learn what it means to **shine the light of Jesus** into the world.

*"For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ."
2 Corinthians 4:6*

Praise & Prayer

- **Praise** God for the 9 students who got baptized and/or confirmed this fall! Continue to **pray** for them, that they will grow deeper in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and in their understanding of who God is,
- **Praise** God for the 90+ students who are in the GEM and CLAY Youth Student Discipleship program this year! Pray that these students will grow to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ as they study the Word and serve their peers.
- At the "SHINE" Family Fall Festival held on October 27th, about 338 children and parents came out to spend time in fellowship with one another and worshipping together - **praise** God! **Pray** that families will cherish these times together and that they will grow in stronger relationship with one another in God's love. **Pray** also that the Family Fall Festival will grow to become a community event, where many more families will be blessed and learn what it means to "shine" the light of Jesus in this world.



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

Friday, Nov 2nd Praise & Prayer Night

Friday, Nov 9th (CLAY) One-night Retreat
(GEM) Friday Youth Night

Friday, Nov 16th Friday Youth Night (FYN)

Friday, Nov 23rd Christmas Celebration Practice | FYN

Friday, Nov 30th Christmas Celebration Practice | FYN

Events are subject to change. Make sure to keep up with our latest updates on our [website](#) or join our [Kakaotalk open chatroom](#).