

GRACE MONTHLY

OCTOBER 2017 EDITION

*“But blessed are those who trust in the LORD
and have made the LORD their hope and confidence.”*

Jeremiah 17:7



BLESSED TO BLESS

Grace Youth’s core passage used to be 2 Corinthians 5:20, where we took on the identity of being ambassadors to the world on behalf of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Don’t forget, we are still ambassadors for Jesus Christ. But this year God has been moving our ministry into a new season. The new identity that we will hold on to comes from Jeremiah 17:7-8.

In verse 7 it says, “blessed are those who trust in the Lord.” One undeniable truth is that, whether you put your trust in people, or in the things that people make, or in God, every person puts their trust in something

or someone. According to Jeremiah 17:5-6, “those who put their trust in mere humans” are cursed. They are “like stunted shrub in the desert, with no hope for the future”. On the other hand, “those who put their trust in the LORD” are blessed; they are “like trees planted along a riverbank [that] stays green, and... never stop producing fruit.” According to these verses, *we are able to grow spiritually only if we trust in God.* What’s best for us is what’s best for our spiritual life, and only God can give us what’s best for our spiritual bodies.

Now, some of you may be wondering, “What’s so important about growing spirit-

ually?” Well, here’s a question to answer that question, “If we’re not growing spiritually, then how can we become more like Jesus?” The answer is, “We can’t.” Only by becoming more like Jesus are we able to be the blessing we were made to be.

“Blessed to bless”; this is our new identity here in Grace Youth. Our core identity is to become the kind of blessing that God made us to be in and through Jesus Christ. And if learning to trust in God allows us to be blessed by God so that we can grow spiritually in Christ, then, as a result, *growing spiritually in Christ will enable us to be a true blessing to others.*

Grace Youth, let’s become a people of blessing. This year, my hope is that we will all learn to “trust in the LORD” more and more, so that we can embrace and grow in His blessings and become a true blessing to others.

Pastor Josh Kim

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SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

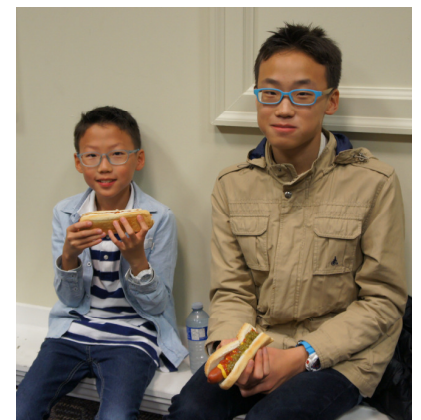
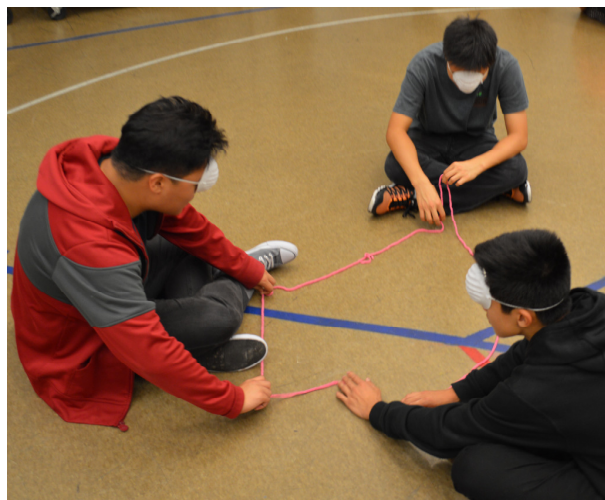
PARENTS' MEETING

On Friday, September 22nd, Grace Youth hosted an informational meeting for the parents. This meeting was to inform parents about the overall vision of Grace Youth ministries, as well as ways that they can be involved and stay connected with GEM and CLAY youth. They also had the opportunity to meet with the students' small group leaders.



BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

On Friday, September 29th, we kicked off the new year with our annual Back to School Bash! Over 130 students came out to fellowship over hotdogs and games. We also spent some time in worship and prayer.



SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS CONT'D



Here and There for **PRAISE & PRAYER**

- **Praise** God for the 42 leaders whom God has called to serve in Grace Youth this year! We are grateful in the way that God sustains our ministry.
- **Praise** God for 37 students who newly joined Student Discipleship this year! This is the first time that there have been such interest and growth in Student Discipleship.
- **Praise** God for the parents who have volunteered to provide snacks for our Friday Youth Nights! There are still many weeks that is in need of snacks. Pray that more parents will be able to help provide them.
- **Pray** for Pastor Josh, Pastor Phil, and Pastor Choongmin as they lead the Grace Youth ministry. Pray that they will lead by God's wisdom and strength.
- **Pray** for the Friday Youth Nights that is about to begin. Pray that the Spirit will equip the leaders to effectively teach the Bible study material, and that students will learn what it means to live a Christ-centered life.

UPCOMING EVENTS for OCTOBER

Friday, **Oct 6th** : Friday Youth Night

Friday, **Oct 13th** : Friday Youth Night

Friday, **Oct 20th** : Friday Youth Night

Saturday, **Oct 28th** : Family Fall Festival

*Please note that these scheduled events are subject to change.
Be sure to keep up with the latest updates on Sundays or on gccyouth.weebly.com!*

LEADERS OF GRACE YOUTH

Every year, God blesses Grace Youth ministry with leaders who are willing to faithfully teach and serve the youth students. Here are the leaders serving in GEM and CLAY this year:

GEM

Pastor Josh Kim

Sean Jeong	Grade 7 boys
John Lee	Grade 7 boys
Alice Kim	Grade 7 girls
Joyce Oh	Grade 7 girls
Sean An	Grade 8 boys
Joseph Kim	Grade 8 boys
Grace Choi	Grade 8 & 9 girls
Julia Bae	Grade 8 & 9 girls
Jim Ko	Grade 9 boys
David Suk	Grade 9 boys
Stephen Lee	Grade 10 boys
Davis Shim	Grade 10 boys
Maria Jeong	Grade 10 & 12 girls
Miso Lim	Grade 10 & 12 girls
John Lim	Grade 11 boys
Josh Han	Grade 11 boys
Suae Kim	Grade 11 girls
Delia Ahn	Grade 11 girls
Sangjoon Hwang	Grade 12 boys
Yungi Choi	Grade 12 boys
JD Kim	Tech
John Chang	Tech Assistant
Bessie Lee	Admin
Jay Choi	Director

CLAY

Pastors Phil Sung & Choongmin Kim

박승원 선생님	7 & 8 학년
정상훈 선생님	7 & 8 학년
차혜수 선생님	7 & 8 학년
한은지 선생님	9 & 10 학년
박주언 선생님	9 & 10 학년
이단하 선생님	9 & 10 학년
엄현주 선생님	11 & 12 학년
이준규 선생님	11 & 12 학년
정미선 선생님	11 & 12 학년
권민서 선생님	11 & 12 학년
백주리 선생님	His Joy
박영호 선생님	His Joy
김주동 선생님	His Joy
유정민 선생님	부장 & 새신자
김영재 선생님	행정
유민지 선생님	제자 양육
박종혁 선생님	새신자
류시원 선생님	새신자

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