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Preview Issue

Grace Alliance Newsletter

September 2010

WHAT IS THIS ?

What you are holding in your hand is the preview issue of our Grace Alliance Church newsletter! What is a newsletter? "It is a document used by an organization to communicate information about an event, news of general interest, or information regarding new products."

One of the objectives of the *Fanning the Flames* initiative has been to introduce a newsletter that will keep us all connected, both to family, friends, and community.

At first we will distribute a hard copy to everyone. However, our goal is to become an electronic generated communication. For our family members who do not have home computers, we will mail a hard copy to you. The newsletters will also be available on our Grace Alliance Church Website where church seekers and past members may be drawn to the more personal aspects of our ministry.

While we have many email address (as already published in our current directory), please take a moment and write down your email address on the card attached and give it to Reggie or Jackie. We will also use it to update addresses and phone numbers. Currently we plan to email the October issue.

We need a name for our newsletter!! Put on your creative thinking cap and drop me a note or email prior to 15 September 2010..... examples: Clarion, Trumpeter, Vine, Dispatch, Tidings, Call, Talk, Herald, Insight, View, Blabber, Jabber. Cackle.....

WHY A NEWSLETTER ?

More information on:

- Sunday School, Small Groups, Ministry team updates
- News of other services
- Pastor's column
- Missions column
- Social responsibilities
- Board of Elder meeting highlights
- Board of Ministry meeting highlights
- Upcoming church events
- Church committee information
- Community opportunities
- Ministry opportunities
- Pertinent current issues of interest
- Social gatherings

WANT ADS

Articles: Guidelines

- Deadline for submission is third Wednesday of the month.
- Emails, typed copy or legible printed copy is accepted.
- Recommended length is 100 words or 600 characters.
- Must include the author's name, email address and daytime phone number with all articles.
- The lead is most important and should include "who, what, when, where, why and how".
- Editor will compose the headlines and edit copy where needed for fluidity and space.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 12 Sept – “On the Move” Kick-Off
GAW introduces new project
- 18 Sept – South Coastal AW Rally
- 30 Oct – Fall Festival
Check the bulletin board for info



Board of Ministry Highlights

- ❖ Communication Committee:
Chairman – Shirley Bertka
Web Manager – Louie Niehrah
Coordinator – Jackie Ingram
Newsletter – Reggie Gardner
- ❖ Rhoda Green replaces Shirley Bertka as FTF Coordinator

- ~ Notice the new gutters – thanks George
- ~ Hispanic bulletin board – thanks Reggie Jackie and Renee Cruz
- ~ Pool Table in Youth Area – thanks Bert &
Lisa Ingram – see posted RULES
- ~ Junior Classroom shaping up – Grace Rashford will teach

[Every church has a ‘mouse’ that sees, hears, and likes to share 😊]

Board of Elders Highlights

- Shut-In prayer needs discussed
- Committee appointment time
- Position Descriptions for ministries and ministers in progress

GUEST COLUMN

Have a poem, some prose, editorial, community impact concern, Christian movie/book/radio/website review to share – remember article guidelines.

NEW FACES

An interview column to feature those new to Grace Alliance Church – we could use a couple of reporters – if interested, see Reggie – remember article guidelines.

OLD FRIENDS

Friends who have moved on from Grace Alliance Church in the past – send Reggie an email or hand her a note - remember article guidelines.

WEBSITE ?

Yes, you find it at :

www.gracealliance-church.org

- (1) It has been online for ten years.
- (2) Louie Niehrah is the webmaster.
- (3) Not yet a budget item and is being paid out of the Pastor’s pocket.

SHARED SPACES TIDBITS

Colony North Civic Club meets at Grace Alliance Church on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. We are welcome to attend these meetings. They have interesting guest speakers and information is often disseminated on the growth of North Charleston. They also invite us to attend their functions held in our yard.

Cristo para las Naciones (Christ for the nations) meets from 1:00 to 4:00 pm every Sunday afternoon. Pastor Eduardo Cruz leads a meeting in the morning elsewhere, dashes in for lunch and meeting at Grace, and then is off for another meeting elsewhere. (that’s his secret for staying so slim!!) The musicians meet on Saturday afternoons and all meet for prayer on Thursday evenings.

Grace Alliance Church in the past has reached out with computer classes, Al-Anon meetings, English as a second language classes, and community Bible studies. It remains committed to that goal of reaching out and welcomes inquiries and suggestions along these lines.

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