



GRACE Notes



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Feb 4 Super Bowl Outreach
- Feb 16-18 Global Focus Weekend
with Arnie & Cheryl Solvig
- Mar 24 TBA Easter Outreach



PRAYER & STUDY GROUPS

- Wed 7 pm: Co-ed at church
- Sat 8 am: Men at church
- Sat 8 am: Ladies at church
- Sun 6 pm: Co-ed at church



Board of Ministries Highlights

- ❖ Meeting cancelled due to weather
- ❖ Open to everyone at 8:00 pm
- ❖ Next meeting on 7 Feb 2018

Please read the posted minutes



Governance Authority Meeting

- Outreach ideas for Oak Leaf
- Bible Sticks for the military offering
- Next meeting 9 Feb 2018

Please read the posted minutes



“ Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one ...”

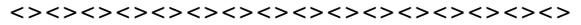


1 John 4:7-11

SMILE



“Better to have loved a short man than never have a tall.” Wit & Wisdom



What in the World?

Saying 'good-bye' to Spain ~ It seems hard to believe that we are entering the final stretch of our missionary career. We are scheduled to conclude our ministry here in Spain in just over five months, returning to the States at the end of June. We will live in the Atlanta area for our final year of Home Assignment. There is much to be done in the coming months, so we obviously need and value your prayers.

One of the areas where Raymond has dedicated much time and effort over the years is in the development of the C&MA national church here in Spain. We are thrilled to see how new congregations and leaders continue to swell the ranks of the Alliance family here. While there is much left to do, we are very grateful for progress over these past 24 plus years since we first arrived in July, 1993.

We were reminded of this advance last month when the pastoral couples for our local churches met for their annual retreat. It was a blessing to see them worship and pray together, and the fellowship with them was wonderful. We were touched when they surprised us with a time of special recognition and prayer for us.

Pray for God's grace and strength over these next months that we will finish strong! We look forward to continue serving the Lord as He leads.

Yours for the spiritual greening of Spain,
Raymond & Mary Ebbett

Till then ~ ~ Julia Laws



Annual Planning Meeting
Sat ☑ Jan 13, 2018 ☑ 9:00—Noon



Missed this meeting? Pastor Gabe got in his 'steps' for sure – going up and down the step ladder! entering items on the giant post-it notes on the wall of the Fellowship Hall. We filled in our routine events; added those on-going events; and some new undertakings.

If you would like an electronic copy of the calendar, request one via email to the office: GAC.Office.Staff@gmail.com. Reggie Gardner will be happy to forward it in a pdf format.

Lisa Lee has with great care put up the current month on the dry erase board just outside the audio booth. It's as current as possible and very accessible for a quick check.

The office also appreciates those who are going to be out of town sharing their information with us – and Lisa/Vickie/Reggie place it on our calendar in the office. Saves you from getting a call when you are sipping lemonade in your poolside chaise at the vacation resort. ☺



GLOBAL FOCUS WEEKEND

The C&MA International Workers/Creative Access Assets/Marketplace Ministers (missionaries) have times they are available to visit the congregations in their home districts. (We are the South Atlantic District). While they are on home assignment or are stateside for other reasons, they absolutely love visiting with churches. It gives them a chance to share things that can't be shared any other way. And it is such a treat to put a face to names on our prayer calendar or read about in the *Alliance Life*. And for a more relaxed atmosphere than at Ladies/Mens Retreats. Plan to attend all the events **February 16-18**. You will be blessed!



OH NO!! In February *The Old Farmer's Almanac* says we will have another round of really cold weather with snowfall-stay prepared folks ☺

- ~ Senior Sentiment– Praise & Prayer
Sensible solutions to minor snags & snarls
2018 health issues have less effect on mobility
Year to make right decisions with best outcomes
- ~ Our Communities– Prayer
Neighbors will look up and out and be friendly
Provide leadership that will remember their promises
We bless someone each day with thoughtful prayer
- ~ Pastor & Debbie Galdo – Praise & Prayer
Both Adri and Debbie will have times in TX
Lingering cough for Pastor Gabe & both seasonal allergies – progress in work places & home front
- ~ Troops – AHG & TL USA
Recruitment and vetting of leaders for expansions
Safety in all endeavors – growth in spiritual areas
Fresh ideas & opportunities & encouragement
- ~ Single Sr. Ladies of GAC – Praise & Prayer
Each day brings each closer to better health
Right solutions to medical issues at right time
Favor for those lovingly & patiently give care
- ~ GAC Leadership – Prayer
Time for personal fellowship with the Father
PTL for new employment & renewed financial
Security – upcoming retreat to refresh & reflect
- ~ Family issues – Prayer
This to be the year those family members & friends receive the free gift of salvation - health issues to be addressed quickly & thoroughly – visits to be filled with expectations not dread – unexpected opportunities for rest and relaxation w/o burdens

✠ **THERE IS A GOD AND HE LOVES YOU** ✠

{Every church has a 'mouse' that sees, hears, and likes to share}



Never apologize for being sensitive or emotional. Let this be a sign that you've got a big heart and aren't afraid to let others see it. Showing your emotions is a sign of strength.



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