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from the Pastor

Daniel 6:10 "Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before." (NIV)

This year at youth, we're working through a series called Ambassadors. Paul says that "our citizenship is in heaven" (Phil. 3:20) and that "we are therefore Christ's ambassadors" (2 Cor. 5:20). Last year, we looked at what God's Upside Down Kingdom looks like. This year, we're asking how we represent that kingdom at school, on our teams and at home. And we started here: you can't represent someone you don't know.

That's where Daniel comes in. He was living in Babylon, far from home, and when the law said he couldn't pray, he went upstairs and prayed anyway, "just as he had done before." The habit was already there before the pressure hit. He was faithful in his room before he was faithful in the lions' den.

Last week, I was supposed to teach this to our Sr. Youth, and I lost my voice. So I asked our leaders for help. I told them that honest beats polished, because our youth need to hear that real people they know walk with Jesus every day. Landon stepped up to host, and two of our leaders shared short stories about staying close to Jesus.

That wasn't the night I had planned, but our youth got to hear this from the people who sit with them in small group every week. I'm so grateful for them.

The big moments are won in the small, everyday ones. That's just as true for our youth in school as it is for the rest of us.

Here's the question: What's your open window? What is the everyday habit that keeps you close to Jesus? And who around you needs your encouragement?

Please keep praying for our youth and our leaders. Thank you for loving them so well!

Brad





grace youth

Hey Grace Family!

We're working through this year's Ambassadors series, learning what it means to be sent from another kingdom and to represent Jesus well where we live. Over the past few weeks, we've been getting to know the King: staying close to Jesus (John 15) and following Daniel's example of prayer in Babylon. This week our Sr. Youth had a Worship Night, and we talked about what it looks like to be in the Presence of the King.

Thank you for praying for our youth and our leaders. 18 of us are at the YWC conference in Winnipeg this weekend for training and encouragement, and we hosted Winkler Wide Parent Night on Thursday. Thank you, Grace, for your support!

This Coming Week!

Jr. Youth
Nov. 9 - Small Group Night (Leaders will be in touch)

Sr. Youth
Nov. 11 - Small Group Week (Leaders will be in touch)

Upcoming

Jr. Youth
- Nov. 16 - Regular Youth Night
- Nov. 23 - Regular Youth Night
- Nov. 30 - Regular Youth Night
- Dec. 7 - Small Group Night
- Dec. 14 - Christmas Party

Sr. Youth
- Nov. 18 - Regular Youth Night
- Nov. 25 - Regular Youth Night
- Dec. 2 - Regular Youth Night
- Dec. 9 - Small Group Week
- Dec. 16 - Christmas Party

Missions Trip - St. Croix, USA (Gr. 11-12, July 2027)
- Thank you to the youth and families who handed in applications!
- Please keep this group in your prayers as we get ready.
- Their first fundraiser is Rancher's Table freezer meals ($12 personal, $20 family). Order forms are due Nov. 25, and meals arrive Dec. 2. Ask a youth on the team!

New Youth Parents
- If you are a new youth parent and you want to stay up to date with weekly updates about what is happening at Grace, please email me to get set up: youth@gracechurchwinkler.com

If you have any questions, please ask!

Brad

pastor Sean's resources **of the month:**

Book: "Loving God: The Cost of Being Christian" by Charles Colson - Book also in our library

RightNowMedia: "Thriving in Babylon" by Larry Osborne

sunday school

November is here and the countdown is on! We are looking forward to sharing our Christmas concert with you during the service on December 20th. If you have a child in Sunday School and they would like to be part of the prelude during the Christmas concert service, please let us know!

If you would like your child to be learning verses, please come get a verse sheet from us in the Sunday School office!

Ashley - Ashleyfehr89@gmail.com
Jodi - Jodimwiebe@gmail.com

grace events



- Sign up is required (deadline November 15th).
- Menu: Salad, Main Course (Roast Beef, Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable), & Dessert
- If you are bringing children, please indicate if they need a half-portion.
- Free Event, but all donations will go towards the Youth Mission Trip 2027.



- Sign up if you want to be part of team
- Everyone is welcome to come and cheer on our teams.
- Bring a snack to share
- Bring a board game if you're not curling
- Last names A-M - please come at 6:45 to help set up and make coffee
- Last names N-Z - please stay a few minutes late to help clean up



- Sign up and payment deadline is November 15th

volunteer drivers needed:

We are looking for additional drivers to assist with transporting our Mulumba family to various events during the week. All driving is within the city of Winkler. If interested in adding your name to the list, please contact Larry Schroeder at 631schroeder@gmail.com or if you have any questions give him a call at 204.312.8889.

opportunities to serve

We are looking for a few people to join in ministry at Grace. If you are interested or have questions please contact the office or one of our pastors.

1. Library team
2. Sunday Morning coffee fellowship
3. Tech Team (Computer)
4. Offertory (music/reading/testimony)
5. Scripture readings

prayer and praise

Pray for our shut-ins and those with on-going health issues:

At Home:

- Linda Hiebert
- Abdul Tunu
- Dennis Wiebe
- Kathy Klassen
- Diane Falk
- Melissa (Friesen) Tunu
- Katy Dyck

In Altona Hospital: Marie Brown

Tabor Home: Irene Hildebrand

In Salem Home: Helen Loeppky
Elva Hildebrand
Agnes Giesbrecht
Maria Klassen
Anne Enns
Leo Braun

Condolences

We extend our deepest sympathies to Sheila & Don Bergen, Connor & Allison Bergen and their families on the passing of their mom and grandma, Mary Dueck, on Tuesday, Nov 3rd. Funeral services will be held at Grace Church on Wed, Nov 11th at 2pm.
May God grant you his peace and comfort during this time of loss.

Meal Train for Rachel & Nathan



Congratulations to Rachel & Nathan Wiens on the birth of their twins, Theodore David (5lb 1oz) & Charlotte Helena (5lb 9oz) on October 22nd . Congratulations, also to Ada on becoming a big sister, and to proud grandparents Dave & Betty Goertzen.

We would like to bless them with meals for a couple of weeks. If you'd like to help please click the link to sign up or contact Ashley Fehr.

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Meal train for
Rachel & Nathan

focus on missions

Thank-you from UGM

Lovely to hear from you and thank you for your graciousness. Time indeed has been flying by. So much so that it seems like just a few months ago since Ken and I were together in Sunday School at Grace. I am embarrassed that I have not been more diligent in saying 'thank you' for your church's love and support, made manifest in the critically acclaimed and valued sandwiches that are so faithfully brought to us. THANK YOU ALL!!

For your donations of Turkeys...wow. Thanks again. So special.

The darkness of downtown Winnipeg, the despair of many on its streets, continues to grow. The fact that the city and government has decided to fund a 'safer' (than what?) consumption site just 185 steps from the back of our property on Henry Street – borders 320 Princess, has led to increased traffic and increased dealing in illicit drugs. The potency of drugs, and the corresponding need for greater supplies of Nar-can , to overcome the terrible overdosing, is a very real witness to the evil the enemy is wreaking among God's creation. Having said that, we rather the site was in our backyard than elsewhere. Here Jesus is present and active!

**For the rest of the letter, see the bulletin board. It is worth reading!*

community events & fundraisers











