

# GRACEPOINTE NEWS

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GracePointe Family,

**We have reached our goal for purchasing a new church sign.** Thank you to each one who has given. The new sign will be in memory of J.R. Jones (late husband of Bonnie Jones). He loved GracePointe and his estate has been generous in helping us raise the funds. We are getting back in touch with the sign companies to determine which one we will contract with. The process will take some time for us to select a company, work with them to design the sign, get a permit, run suitable power, build a stone monument base, for them to order the digital boards, build and install the sign. This could take anywhere from 4 to 6 months. The good news is that the ball is rolling, and we can look forward to having a new church sign. Other exterior updates will also continue. Supervisor Ian Todd has had to be out of town a lot with his work. His travel schedule is slowing down, and we should be seeing progress shortly. Thanks again for your support and patience.

**Men, our ReFocus Men's Conference is almost here!** The dates are October 27 & 28th. You can text "REFOCUS" to 256-859-8575 and receive a link to register. Please make every effort to participate. I look forward to having this time together. Put this gathering of men on your prayer list. Pray for our hearts to be receptive and obedient to God. Pray for our speakers and worship leaders. Is there someone you could invite? Remember, we are on mission to help every man discover and develop a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ.

**Have you picked up your Operation Christmas Child shoe box(es) yet? If not, be sure to do so.** The deadline for getting them back is November 12th. We are also going to have an OCC Packing Party to assemble boxes from all the items donated throughout the year. Thank you Crago's and the Ambrose's for your faithful leadership.

**As you pray for Israel, read Genesis 12:3, Psalm 122:6, Jeremiah 31:10, Ezekiel 36:23-27, Isaiah 45:3-4,17.** Jesus also taught his disciples to love and pray for our enemies. Yes, governments have the responsibility to protect, but as individuals, we are called to love. You see, we know who the real enemy is. The one who is out to kill, steal, and destroy. Jesus came to give us life! Pray for all humanity who are affected by war. We have brothers and sisters in Christ who live in Palestine. They need our prayers also. Pray for those who have been deceived and have rejected Jesus in both Israel and Palestine.

I Love You!



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