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Grace Klein Community Newslette



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#Pray4EmmaHope

Remember to pray for Emma Hope and her family! To recap, Emma Hope, daughter of Jeremy and Amanda Shaw, is a beautiful five year old girl who was recently diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

Be sure to <u>CHECK OUT</u> the latest update on Emma Hope and her family.

Grace Klein Community - WHO WE ARE

Based in Birmingham, Alabama, Grace Klein Community is a 501(c)3 non-profit.

We long to change our world by teaching people how to truly share with one another. We desire to be much more than just a charity that gives stuff. We want to build relationships that mean something and that can encourage and spur people on to be better. Our mission is simple... to show people that they are loved and to spread the idea that everyone has something to give. If we all share, we can all have enough. Time, money, talents, skills, love, grace, and kindness. We are more effective together than apart as we seek to be the hands and feet of Jesus.





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Ride for Hope & Bike Show - Swaziland Outreach

Grace Klein Community will be hosting a bike ride and benefit show for orphaned and vulnerable children on behalf of the Swaziland team. Your participation will enable us to help meet the physical and emotional needs of children in Swaziland.

Location: Start at Heart of Dixie Harley-Davidson on Hwy 119 in Pelham, traveling through Shelby and Bibb counties, ending at Shelby crossings in Calera.

Cost: \$20 per Dríver, & \$15 per Passenger Date: June 20th, 2015



For further information and registration: <u>READ MORE</u>

'My lessons learned will continue forever. I am still on a mission though, because my whole life is a mission." - Denver Waltman



Adventures with Jesus

"God told us to go to South Africa. We didn't know how long we would stay or what we would do but God had lots of plans. Every day was an adventure."

"My lessons learned will continue forever. | am still on a mission though, because my whole life is a mission. I'll keep doing my part and hopefully you will join me and do your part in serving God. | hope God teaches you something through what | learned through my experiences in South Africa."

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Madhuri's Mission - Yard Sale Update

Our yard sale on the 2nd of May was a great success! We are well on our way toward the goal of raising \$5,000 to dig a much-needed well in Andhra Pradesh, India. Items from friends and family joined with donations from Grace Klein Community to fill our driveway and garage - the photos don't do it justice! Friends from our small group helped unload, organize, price and sell. It would not have been possible without their help! After a long weekend of work, God provided almost \$1,000 in sales and donations. We met so many people who came to support us, and God gave us opportunities to share our story with many of them. <u>READ MORE</u>





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May Food Delivery

This month, 45 groups of volunteers (married couples, small groups & individuals) delivered 197 food boxes to families in and around Birmingham. Our monthly food delivery ministry is a great way to get involved in the community of Birmingham, Alabama! <u>READ MORE</u>

We are in **URGENT NEED** of **VOLUNTEERS** for our monthly food delivery outreach. 16 families are currently on the waiting list to receive food boxes due to our shortage of delivery teams. Email gabe@gracekleincommunity.com for more information on how to get involved.



Our Friend Allan - Serving in the Sports Ministry with the Leadership Experience

I've been thrown many curve balls in life, however, God has most certainly made all things work out for my good and for His Glory! (Romans 8:28)

In 2013 | attended the year program with LXP as a student, and today | find myself serving with the Sports Ministry with the Leadership Experience, in Jeffrey's Bay, South Africa. The first half of this year has been such a journey of faith, having to rely on God for even the simplest of things like soap and toothpaste. <u>READ MORE</u>

"| alone cannot change the world, but | can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." Mother Teresa

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can <u>BELLLE&LOGELHEK</u>ers to create many ripples." Mother Teresa

"Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Romans 12: 4-5

Our "better togethers" introduce various members of Grace Klein Community and help us understand how our different giftings work together to form one body. We are better together.



Lover of all people

Making God's name BIG!

Picture this man running around prepping food. He's switching out trays of dishes, noticing if the forks are running low and if the ice is melting faster than usual. He's noticing the excess and not planning to waste any of it. He's the jovial guy, greeting everyone, asking how you are doing and working all at the same time.

Nothing about his place or position is about him. He is in the service industry and he's passionate about serving. You may even find yourself asking someone close by, who is that nice guy coordinating the food? He has a big smile and he doesn't care if you know his name. That must be Michael Bolling.

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A special member of Grace Klein Community is Ashley Baker. She's the one that comes in and out with such frequency that people never really know where she lives. She can be caught hanging signs in the bathroom, putting cabbage in boxes, stapling letters for food boxes, traveling to Africa to help a partner ministry with finances, washing little kids feet in Guatemala, giggling at a ladies game night, driving a friend to speak at a community event, staying up late listening to God stories, giving financially to help with community projects, and trusting God to do such much way out of her comfort zone.



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<u>Joyful Heart</u>

As a community of faith, we must Praise the LORD. Do we make music to the Lord? Do we dance? As long as we are alive, we are to praise Him. Often the Lord uses children to teach us how to praise Him. Many children have an amazing freedom from inhibitions that stunt worship. In their ability to be comfortable before God, they dance, sing and laugh with all they have. One such girl is Kathryn Linderman.

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UPCOMING EVENT ~ AGAPE FEAST ~ JULY 11TH, 2015

An evening of encouragement and reflection not to be missed! Come celebrate and share how Christ has loved you! Sign up before July 11th and ask God how you can contribute to the evening to encourage others whether through sharing a special moment, a scripture or a song. Come prepared for an evening filled with fellowship, laughter and God stories! <u>READMORE</u> and don't forget to <u>SIGN UP</u>!

Here's some <u>TESTIMONIES</u> from some of our guests from our very first Agape Feast held by Grace Klein Community earlier this year. Be encouraged!



"Life is better together. We run, we crawl, we stand, we fall, we share it all." - Ronnie Freeman

HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED IN MAY

May 12th, 201*5*

Briarwood Service Day

May 12th, 2015, seventh graders from Briarwood Christian School joined us at Grace Klein Community for their third annual service day.

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THANK YOU to the 54 individuals and families who gave financially this month!



THANK YOU to the 23 individuals & families who shared in tangible donations this month!

Where did your donations go???

104 bags of clothing and shoes were donated to New Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church's Operation Good News outreach this month.

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"<u>Treasure</u>" is an income-generating project created to fund <u>E</u>mi's Closet - whose mission is to help orphans and vulnerable children in the community of Jeffrey's Bay, South Africa thrive!

Their passion is to use recycled materials to make fun, playful, artistic creations. Every piece of "Treasure" that you purchase helps improve the lives of the vulnerable children of their community. They believe in "redeeming" as much trash out of landfills as possible, while using the proceeds to help those in need. The hope is that treasure will one day expand to also create more jobs in the community.

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Grace Klein Community would like to express our sincere thanks to our Business Partners for their support. Business Partners help make it possible for Grace Klein Community to provide food, clothing, and essential household items to aid individuals and families in need throughout the Birmingham Metro area and around the world.

If your business or employer may be interested in becoming a Business Partner, please visit our "<u>How to Become a Business Partner</u>" page.

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May 15th, 2015

Tarrant Elementary School Field Day

May 15, 2015, Grace Klein Community volunteers had the opportunity to help Coach Julie Levan with field day at Tarrant Elementary school.

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