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Grace Klein Community is still raising funds towards the 50K50days initiative. [READ MORE](#) and [GIVE TODAY!](#)

UPCOMING EVENT HIGHLIGHT – Clays for Community

Come join us on September 28, 2017, at the beautiful [Selwood Farm](#) for a round of skeet shooting, great food, door prizes, silent auction, and the opportunity to make new business contacts.

In addition to a day of fun and sporting clays, each team registration provides the financial resources for us to supply a local family with one week's worth of food every month for twelve months. We currently assist over 5,000 families each month in the Birmingham area by providing food, clothing, and household items. Read more about our monthly food delivery ministry [HERE](#).

Event Details:

Date: September 28, 2017

Time: 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Location: Selwood Farm, 706 Selwood Rd, Alpine, AL 35014

Register now as an individual or corporate, and let your day of play support families in the local Birmingham community.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register as an individual shooter or [CLICK HERE](#) to register as a team.

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OUR PURPOSE

To Demonstrate the Love of Christ

Grace Klein Community exists as an educational and charitable 501(c)3 non-profit providing relief to the poor, the distressed and the underprivileged, lessening community tensions, eliminating prejudice and discrimination and combating community deterioration and juvenile delinquency.

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Community Yard Sales

Are you an early morning riser with a love for shopping? Well, look no further! Grace Klein Community friends will be hosting two yard sales over the next two months benefiting orphaned and vulnerable children. Let's show our love and support!

Date: September 16, 2017: 7am - noon

Location: 5134 Colonial Park Road, Birmingham, AL 35242

Yard Sale benefiting the German Family Adoption

Date: October 7, 2017: 7am – 2pm

Location: 2328 Deerwood Road, Hoover, AL 35216

Yard Sale benefiting partner ministry, Kwathu Children's Home.

"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His love endures forever." 1 Chronicles 16:34

Local Efforts

Go Far, Go Together

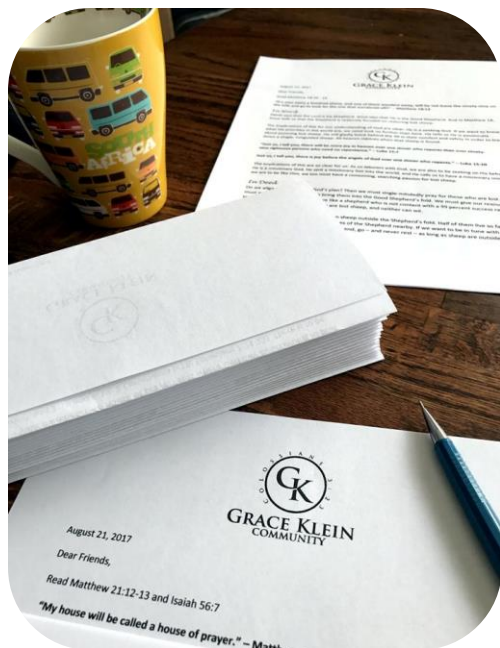
In late July, Grace Klein Community began receiving emails from single mamas, missionary families and foster parents in their utmost vulnerability sharing their struggles and desperate need for school supplies for the new school year. How did they receive our contact details? A stranger, now community friend, had shared our email address, trusting in the Lord's provision for these mamas who had come to her for assistance. We are so thankful she did!

Through word of mouth, community rallied to gather supplies from their overflow, grabbing an extra set of pencils at the checkout counter, spreading needs via social media, and taking full advantage of the BOGO items at Publix. Couples with no children of their own were delighted to bless others for the new school year. Another family, in their chaos of experiencing a very recent house fire, *still* put others before themselves and loved on a family of four children as the Lord led.

Shelby Pediatric Dentistry and Precision Chiropractic hosted school supply drives from their office locations, encouraging patients to help gather items for families in tough financial situations. We enjoyed seeing the two businesses "battle it out" in their challenge to collect the most school supplies to love on families. Seeing the excitement in the hearts of every individual who contributed in one way or another was so encouraging!



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Global Efforts

The Role of a Sender

"What will you be doing on your mission trip to Zambia?" Last year, when I was preparing to go to [Kwathu Children's Home](#), that was the question on many friends' tongues. "We are painting and laying tile in the administrative office," I would answer, or "We are going to Kwathu Children's Home to encourage the children and staff, and bring back pictures to share to raise support." Have you ever wondered how God would answer that question? Our Father's plan is so much bigger, and His purposes impact both the mission and the missionaries. Why did God send our team last year to Kwathu Children's Home? With every passing day I learn more and more answers to that question, and see His plan in this little corner of the ministry coming to fruition.

One way God worked so greatly in that trip came to fruition this month, when my good friend and fellow team member, Rebekah Lowrey, traveled to Zambia to spend a year serving and teaching at Kwathu Children's Home. Before she traveled to Kwathu with us last year, she could never imagine committing to a full year of ministry overseas, but God had other plans, working in her heart through so many moments and so many prayers. Her story is not mine to tell, but you can read it by clicking [here](#). When God called Rebekah to ministry at Kwathu Children's Home, He exposed another part of how He used our trip..." [READ MORE](#)

Scrundlewear Love Around the World

In November 2016, community friend, Linda Jacobson created a group on Facebook called "[Scrundlewear Love Around the World](#)." The group is intended to provide a place for anyone interested in sewing Scrundlewear (undies) for various ministries all around the world to gather, share testimonies, offer help or ask questions. Linda encourages others to get involved by hosting sewing days and welcomes anyone to join the day of "play." Excitement rises in Linda's heart when friends are bitten by the t-shirt up-cycling bug! Many are inspired by her ministry efforts to love on people around the world through her God-giving abilities, moving others to do the same. Her passion motivates both young and old to attempt projects they've never tried before, realizing and developing their giftings in the learning process... [READ MORE](#)



"I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep." – John 10:11

"I am the Good Shepherd. The Good **BETTER TOGETHER** His life for the sheep." – John 10:11

"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.



Dynamite Comes in Small Packages

"One of my favorite things about working at Grace Klein Community is community. There are various types of people I come in contact with each day. We all look, sound, and act different. Sometimes I meet someone and it takes me a while to get close to them or earn their trust. Other times, I meet someone and we jive instantly. Lori Worford was one of those for me.

Lori is a no-nonsense woman with a directness about her that I appreciate. I always know what she's thinking and feeling and she saves me the trouble of having to assess a situation. Her love for Jesus drives her to work extremely hard! She sees what needs to be done and jumps in full force, getting the job done. I honestly don't know what our [Give and Take Room](#) would be like if Lori didn't spend the hours in there that she does, along with other volunteers! We would be drowning in a sea of bags!

Lori constantly gives her time and resources without expectation for anything in return. At the No More Safety Pins event hosted in August by Liberty Church Birmingham, Lori ran the kitchen like a boss. She took initiative, used food items available, and turned the snack table into such a pleasant surprise! Walking passed the sweet treats without grabbing anything was pretty tricky. [READ MORE](#)

"Who You Gonna Call?"

"Brian and Larissa Baker are a vital part of Grace Klein Community, sharing community passion for food rescue and minimal waste. The Bakers lead very busy lives, balancing work, school and running a farm, but never miss an opportunity to turn another's trash into a true treasure. Their efforts do not go unnoticed.

If you've been around the Grace Klein Community office in the afternoons and have helped unload the box truck and sort the good food from the bad, you've noticed the food in some nifty 5 gallon buckets. The buckets are there one day, and gone the next. Where do they go?

Brian shows up once a week with his truck, loads all food, not suitable for human consumption, and hauls it off to the farm for their pigs and chickens. The food is such a treat to these animals, and the removal of the buckets from our office is wonderful! Who knew that our "bucket food" would be such a blessing, freeing up finances to invest elsewhere for Kingdom purpose?! [READ MORE](#)





No More Safety Pins 2017

Thanks to community, No More Safety Pins 2017 was a huge success! \$2,887 was raised to help feed families in Birmingham (and thanks to community only \$40 was spent for the entire event allowing almost 100% of the funds to help more families!)

Mamas loved on, friendships made, laughter shared... priceless.

Click on the link below to read reasons why it is such a privilege to serve with No More Safety Pins each year.

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"Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen!" – Psalm 41:13

HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED

Helena Elementary School Donation August 11, 2017

What a surprise! Helena Elementary School donated 5 cases of Lays chips, 400 hotdogs, approximately 20 2L sodas AND brown paper bags containing condiments for community to love on Birmingham individuals and families. Our street friends were beyond excited to receive such blessing! Thank you Helena Elementary School for thinking of Grace Klein Community in your giving.

Spaghetti Fundraiser & Silent Auction August 11, 2017

The Burke family hosted a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser & Silent Auction in support of their adoption journey. The Burke's were praying for \$820, the amount needed to cover the remaining agency and international fees in their adoption process. As we know, God is able to do exceedingly and abundantly more than we could ever expect or imagine, and HE did!

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The Rotary Club of Vestavia Hills said "YES!"

On August 11th, the Rotary Club of Vestavia Hills presented Grace Klein Community with a donation of \$1,000.00 toward our office expansion and food ministry. They also provided an opportunity for us to receive an additional \$500.00 donation match. Grace Klein Community is thankful for the partnership and support of the Rotary Club of Vestavia Hills.

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THANK YOU to the 69 individuals & families who shared in tangible donations this month!



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THANK YOU to the 104 individuals and families as well as the 14 businesses and churches who gave financially this month!

MEET OUR NEWEST BUSINESS PARTNERS

"Living out our faith in the community is a part of the DNA of [WAY-FM](#) and our listeners. So it was a real pleasure to link arms with Grace Klein Community to pack food boxes for needy families in the Birmingham area. We appreciate the good work Grace Klein does, week in and week out, to help the vulnerable of the area in Jesus name." – WAY-FM

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.



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