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Grace Klein Community Newsletter

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OUR MISSION

To Create Authentic Community

Grace Klein Community seeks to create authentic community (Koinonia) by uniting diverse individuals, businesses, ministries, and churches to work together by sharing what they have in order to meet physical and spiritual needs both locally and globally.

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UPCOMING EVENT HIGHLIGHT

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Guatemala Night - November 1, 2015

Family Night Out (Pie Five Pizza): 11/10/2015 Parents' Night Out: 11/13/2015 Agape Feast: 11/14/2015 Help Move Food Boxes: 11/20/2015 Food Delivery: 11/21/2015

YOU'RE INVITED to join us for an evening of fellowship, new experiences and celebration of the Guatemalan culture. All are welcome! * Bring cash for food and drinks. Proceeds to benefit a Grace Klein Community team traveling to Guatemala in December 2015.

Date: November 1, 2015

Time: 4pm - 6pm

Location: Seeds Coffee Co. 174 Oxmoor Road, Birmingham, AL 35209

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Agape Feast - November 14, 2015

An evening of encouragement and reflection not to be missed. Come celebrate and share how Christ has loved you! Sign up before November 14, 2015, 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!

READ MORE and don't forget to SIGN UP!





WORSHIP NIGHT: Horizon Church, 2345 Columbiana Road, Birmingham, 35216, November 13, 2015, 10pm



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Our Chicken Farm

Sometime in May 2015, we purchased 18 baby chicks. No one really knew what we were doing, but we found some plastic bins in the Give and Take Room and made these baby chicks a warm little spot so they could grow. Different adults and kids took care of feeding and watering these chickens every day. Many were held and loved. We waited for them to grow and anticipated moving them to their coop.

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Give and Take Room - Modeling the Loot

(Wherever we are sitting right now, we have to get it out of our minds that this room is only for poor people. If we all share, we all have more resources to give away. Let's share some loot.)

We brainstormed about how to demonstrate the amazing clothing that is ours for the taking from the Give and Take Room and decided to ask a few community friends to model some of the clothing that they have taken from this amazing share room.

<u>CHECK OUT</u> how good they look in these shared clothing items. They won't have to use their time or resources to go shopping because they found their clothing in the Give and Take Room.



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The Leadership Experience - Lesotho

Our dear friends, Godfrey and Elizabeth Mosobase, the Directors of The Leadership Experience, Lesotho, were expecting their first baby on October 21, 2015.

We celebrate with them as they announced the birth of gorgeous baby Sophie Bokhabane Mosobase, born October 20, 2015, measuring 2.79kg/6.15lbs and 47cm/18.5in!

<u>READ MORE</u> about what God has been doing at The Leadership Experience, Lesotho, over the past few months.





Meet Our Newest Staff Member - Ryan Hopson

"At 16, I went on my first mission's trip to Guatemala and fell in love with not only the people, but the love of Jesus that I felt during my time there. From then on, I knew that all I wanted to do is to help people. Whether it was cook food, or drive them down the street, it meant the world to me to make a difference in someone's life.

During the month of May 2015, my heart was broken because I had to leave a job that I thought was where God wanted me. God reminded me that He has a plan for my life and not everything /want is always the best fit." READMORE

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"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.



Burning the Midnight Oil

George and Michele Mwanza, Directors of The Leadership Experience, are servant leaders, the ones that really do lay down their lives for their friends. Many of you have had the privilege to spend sweet time with Cornelius and Prima Ngosa, also of The Leadership Experience, that oversee the Beats and Books ministry. But, many of you do not know the directors of this wonderful organization where Cornelius and Prima tirelessly serve. The servant leaders beside the Ngosa Family are George and Michele.

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Never too Busy to Love

Do you have a fun, vivacious, high energy, creative redhead in your life? If your answer is no, maybe you haven't met a huge asset of Grace Klein Community, the lovely Rebekah Crossman.

Before Grace Klein Community became an official non-profit, Rebekah Crossman was one of the volunteers that initially believed a community of friends loving friends really could make a difference. Her belief in early church ideals, of your plenty meeting my need so that in turn my plenty would meet your need, propelled her to become an active member of Grace Klein Community.



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Hit Share

Sometimes all you need is a friend to invite you one time, and that changes everything. The Varvoutis family invited the Eaker family to come along for a Saturday food delivery and they never stopped coming.

Shane and Mitzi had been praying and looking for ways to serve with their boys and monthly food delivery was the perfect fit for their family.

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A big THANK YOU to <u>Spark Photography</u> for hosting a fall "mini sessions" fundraiser for Grace Klein Community.

Our friend, Diana Martin, raised \$425, supporting the Local and Global Efforts of Grace Klein Community.



Everyone has something to share. How will we demonstrate Christ's love this month?

Excellence has HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED IN OCTOBER 18 1045 this mouths

Networking for a Cause - October 20, 2015

The evening weather was perfect and over 150 people came out to enjoy delicious pizza and meet new friends. We had some of our BeMoreRandom merchandise for sale and wonderful live music from Jason Mayo. Several door prizes were given throughout the evening from Sports Clips at the Grove, Hoover Tactical and a Cracker Barrel certificate provided by AC Financial Partners, along with coupons for free hair cuts to Sports Clips and coupon code discounts to BeautyKind. READ MORE





Shelby Crossings Christian School Serve Project - October 16, 2015

One of our local homeschool communities, Shelby Crossings Christian School, chose to help Grace Klein Community as their October monthly serve project.

On October 16, 2015, students met together at The Church at Shelby Crossings to make laundry detergent for our October 24, 2015, food delivery.

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THANK YOU to the 25 individuals & families who shared in tangible donations this month!

Mallette Family Adoption

Meet our <u>baby girl</u>! Help us raise the \$18,000 needed to bring her home!

THANK YOU to the 47 individuals and families as well as the 7 businesses and churches who gave financially this month!

MEET OUR NEWEST BUSINESS PARTNERS



Beauty Kind is an online retailer that allows you to buy the brands you love and discover new favorites, all while supporting the cause of your choice.

"Giving is beautiful and we at <u>Beauty Kind</u> are excited to give donors an additional way to further support Grace Klein Community in achieving their mission and meeting the needs of others both locally and globally."

Grace Klein Community would like to express our sincere thanks to our <u>Business Partners</u> for their support. Business Partners help make it possible for Grace Klein Community to serve individuals and families in need, throughout the Birmingham Metro area and around the world.

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