

In Christ Alone

my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song

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Grace Klein Community Newsletter

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Who we are...

Grace Klein Community

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.



Spread *love* everywhere you go.
Let no one ever come to you without leaving *happier*.
-Mother Teresa

- 04/14/2015: [Briarwood Service Day](#)
- 04/15/2015: [Deadline for hygiene items](#)
- 04/17/2015: [Help move Food Boxes](#)
- 04/18/2015: [Food Delivery](#)
- 05/22/2015: [Camping Week Starts](#)
- 06/20/2015: [A Ride for Hope](#)



COMMUNITY NEWS

December 23rd, 2014 God blessed Grace Klein Community with a home that was no longer needed by a customer of Grace Klein Construction. February 27th, 2015, 66 days later, God provided much of the homes interior including bath tubs, toilets, a water heater, doors, light fixtures and more! How???

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#Pray4EmmaHope - SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST

Emma Hope, daughter of Jeremy and Amanda Shaw, is a beautiful five year old girl who was recently diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

After doctors discovered a knot in her neck, she was immediately sent for a CT scan. The CT scan that was performed that afternoon did not look promising and the family was told to be in Birmingham at Children's Hospital the next morning. After a two hour drive, a team of doctors and nurses did a biopsy and ran further tests. The tests concluded that this little girl, who seemed to have a perfectly normal life ahead of her, is now faced with chemotherapy and further treatments.

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"Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in all the earth!" - God

GLOBAL EFFORTS

Madhuri's Mission - India

There aren't many wells here in Birmingham. In other parts of the world, a working well that produces clean water can mean the difference between life and death.

Madhuri's Mission has set the goal of raising \$5,000 for the digging of a well in Daburuvaripalli. [READ MORE](#)

Bucks for Books - Library Dreams Project - South Africa

As you may be aware, Bucks for Books is on a mission to raise \$130,000 to purchase a building in Jeffrey's Bay, South Africa to be used as a Library and Music Academy for underprivileged children. March 9th, Abigail, 10 years old, donated \$52 dollars towards the purchase of the Library. Abigail has been saving her allowance money over the last few months and at first she said she was savings for something at the mall, but she felt in her heart that she needed to donate the money to Bucks for books. [READ MORE](#)

March 21st, 2015, Birmingham Homeschoolers Community Fair was held at the Pelham Civic Center. Hundreds of homeschool families attended the event. Bucks for Books members hosted a table to raise awareness about Bucks for Books and the Library Dreams Project in Jeffrey's Bay, South Africa. [READ MORE](#)



LOCAL EFFORTS

March Food Delivery

This month, 45 groups of volunteers (married couples, small groups & individuals) delivered 200 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. [READ MORE](#)

March 7th, 2015, Metro CME church began their very first food delivery, a branch off from the monthly food delivery that takes place every 3rd Saturday of the month from Asbury, through Grace Klein Community. [READ MORE](#)



MEET OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBER.

SCOTT ELLIOTT

“One night, after we hosted an event for Kwathu Children’s Home at our house, we spent a few hours discussing the staffing and needs of GKC and what it would look like for me to leave my job and come to work there. My initial reaction was, “This is crazy. There is no way that can work.” However, Alison and I agreed to continue to talk and committed to pray about it. Over the next few months, God made it very clear that we needed to accept the position at Grace Klein Community, and I would resign after 17 years at Verizon.”

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HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED IN MARCH!

AGAPE FEAST

March 14th, 2015

Grace Klein Community held their first Agape Love Feast. With 3 host families and a total of 35 guests, the evening was such a success!

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HOME COOKED MEALS

As a volunteer was reading “Interrupted” by Jen Hatmaker, she was convicted that God had more for her to share. She contacted us to see how she may serve with GKC.

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

BRIARWOOD SERVICE DAY

Briarwood Christian School, 7th & 8th grade English classes, will be serving at Grace Klein Community and Liberty Church on Tuesday, April 14th as a day of service.

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CAMPING WEEK

Camping week will start Friday, May 22nd, 2015, and end Monday, June 1st, 2015, at Oak Mountain State Park. Camping week will be here before you know it! Register your family now!

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A RIDE FOR HOPE

June 20th, 2015, Grace Klein Community will be hosting a bike ride and benefit show for orphaned and vulnerable children on behalf of the Swaziland team.

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THANK YOU to the 72 families who shared tangible donations this month!



THANK YOU to the 41 families and 2 churches who gave financially this month!



It's that time again! Give through [Birdies for Charity](#) and help us be the #1 charity! The #1 charity will receive \$11,000 in addition to 100% of the money given on behalf of Grace Klein Community.

