

HE BROUGHT ME TO
THE BANQUETING HOUSE,
AND HIS BANNER
OVER ME **WAS LOVE.**

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:4

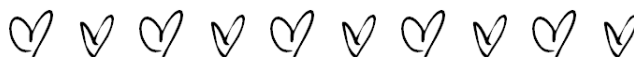
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OUR PURPOSE

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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UPCOMING EVENT HIGHLIGHT - Ride for Hope 2016

Grace Klein Community, in partnership with the missions team traveling to Swaziland, Africa this fall, will be hosting the second annual Ride for Hope, a motorcycle ride seeking to raise support for, and provide hope to vulnerable children locally and globally.

More than one in four children in Alabama come from families who experience food hardships. The Grace Klein Community monthly food delivery ministry helps provide assistance to families here in Alabama who are hungry and in need. In Africa, many children also go without food. Funds given to CarePoints, like our partnership established in Swaziland, dramatically help to meet this need by impacting hundreds of lives every year.

We need your help to offer hope to all people in need!

Registration: 08:00 am **Ride Begins:** 10:00 am **Ride Ends:** 12:00 pm

Date: June 18th, 2016

Cost: \$25 per biker & \$15 per additional rider

**Register
Today!**



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Networking for a Cause – June 28, 2016

On June 28th, 2016, Grace Klein Community will hold its quarterly Networking for a Cause event at Rojo, Birmingham. Networking for a Cause is a free event that provides a great opportunity to meet new people in the Birmingham business community, build relationships, and make new contacts, while raising funds to assist families in the Birmingham area with food, clothing, and household items. We have consistently seen these events grow in attendance. Approximately 150 business professionals attended the last event, raising over \$1200.00 for Grace Klein Community. We hope to see you there!

Date: Tuesday, June 28, 2016

Time: 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Location: [Rojo: 2921 Highland Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35205](#)

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“From the ends of the earth | call to You, | call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the Rock that is | Higher than I.” Psalm 61:2

LOCALEFFORTS

Birdies for Charity 2016

Grace Klein Community is privileged to be one of over 100 Birmingham based non-profit organizations participating in [Birdies for Charity](#). Birdies for Charity is the PGA Tour's charitable platform that focuses on the efforts of their players, tournaments, volunteers, sponsors, fans, and charities. Charity begins on the golf course at the Regions Tradition.

This past weekend, Grace Klein Community was able to participate in the Regions Tradition at Greystone by passing out information and talking to golf fans as they entered the event. Even though the golf tournament is over, you have the opportunity until June 10th to make Grace Klein Community a big winner by contributing through Birdies for Charity.

Donations are made by visiting [THIS LINK](#) and selecting Grace Klein Community as your charity. 100% of your donation will be passed along to Grace Klein Community and will be used to support our efforts to support physical, emotional, and spiritual needs both in Alabama and around the world. Birdies for Charity provides a 10% match for every donation. We have already received \$3,500 in donations. Please help us reach our goal of \$10,000.00 so we can receive a 15% match. [READ MORE](#)



GLOBALEFFORTS

Third Annual Condo Raffle – Swaziland Missions Fundraiser

We are raffling off a beautiful Pensacola Bay condo for use this summer! All proceeds benefit the Grace Klein Community team traveling to [Lesibovu CarePoint](#) in Swaziland this fall. The condo is a beautiful, one bedroom with a queen, two twins and a queen futon. It is located on Escambia Bay, one mile from historic downtown Pensacola and 10 minutes over the bridges to beautiful Pensacola Beach. The condo has a pretty pool and courtyard on the bay.

Tickets are \$20 for one, \$35 for two and \$50 for three. The raffle drawing will take place on June 5, 2016. Thank you for helping us and supporting our ministry efforts to love on these amazing children. Click [HERE](#) to purchase your tickets!



Chick-fil-A Lemonade Stand

On June 4, 2016, Chick-fil-A, Greystone, will be hosting a Lemonade Stand benefitting Grace Klein Community. ALL DAY!

Chick-fil-A has committed to donate \$1 for every lemonade sold, on June 4th, to Grace Klein Community. If you're in the area, be sure to swing by and grab a lemonade!

"DRINK MORE LEMONADE!"



"And so, Lord, where do I put my hope? My only hope is in You." Psalm 39:7

BETTER TOGETHER

"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.

Friends that Pray Together Stay Together

On May 12, 2016, we received some unexpected news from one of our Grace Klein Community members, Evan Moon. He experienced complete numbing to his left arm and the left side of his face. Then, he began to slur words, forget names and speak incoherently. Community friends were able to meet him at the emergency room and subsequently Brookwood Medical Center. The cat scan showed 5cm lesion/swelling on the right side of the brain. He had an MRI late that night and the neurosurgeon scheduled a biopsy for Monday, May 16, 2016. No one could believe this was really happening. Evan Moon – [we love you to the Moon and back!](#)



From Thursday afternoon until Friday night at least 20 community friends shared the love with Evan Moon by visiting him in the ER, the hospital, and at his Birmingham home. Early Saturday morning, May 14, 2016, Evan and his parents decided to obtain a second opinion from Emory in Atlanta, GA. Evan and his parents waited in the ER at Emory for almost six hours. Miraculously, the neurosurgeon had not left the hospital and came and met with them on a Saturday night! Due to Evan's history of sinus issues, the possibility of a bacterial infection was not ruled out. The neurosurgeon explained that they did not understand what was going on and they would act quickly to find out what was happening! Emory took another CAT scan and admitted Evan. Another MRI was scheduled for around noon on Sunday. Evan remained on anti-seizure medicine and steroids. [The moon was lighting up Emory.](#)

As you woke up Monday morning, May 16, 2016, Evan was preparing for brain surgery sometime after noon that day. The unknown can be scary. Where does our hope come from? Evan is remaining in Christ's love. He asked friends to cover his arms with scriptures to minister to the doctors. He is trusting Jesus because Jesus calls him friend. You can imagine the [scattering of "Moon" Light.](#)

Evan rolled down the hall toward surgery, praying for other friends, texting encouraging words to the guy who is filling in for his job, laughing that his nurse was named Bernadette and playing the song to her off his phone. Surgery started a little before 3pm, Atlanta time. An intermediate grade glioma (tumor) was removed and after recovery Evan was moved to ICU. The family was advised that pathology would take several days. After about two weeks they will look at what additional steps will need to be taken in regards to treatment. He was moved to ICU after 1-2 hours from surgery and scans were scheduled for the following day. Praise God the tumor was identified at the right time. Friends and family were encouraged to continue praying for a full recovery and for no recurrence of the tumor. [The "Moon" is bright tonight.](#)

He made it through brain surgery!! [READ MORE](#)





A Visit from the Mosobases ~ LXP, Lesotho

What a treat to host Godfrey and Elizabeth Mosobase, Sophie, and Elizabeth's parents, Norm and Jo, in Birmingham, AL, with Grace Klein Community.

We love being partnered with [LXP Lesotho](#). The Mosobases visited from May 20 to May 24, 2016. The [Elliott's](#) hosted the family and graciously shared their home, meals and love. We look forward to seeing our friends again soon.

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"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! His love endures forever." Psalm 107:1

"Give thanks" **HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED IN MAY** "GIVE THANKS" Psalm 107:1

Celebrate Hoover Day April 30, 2016

Grace Klein Community participated in Celebrate Hoover day at Veteran's Park.

An estimated 15,000 people were in attendance for this year's event. As people stopped by the Grace Klein Community table, we were able to share what we do and how they can get involved in serving in the community.

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Challenge for Change May 8 – May 27, 2016

Grace Klein Community dared friends to accept the "Challenge for Change" for the sake of others in our Birmingham community.

By accepting one or more of these challenges, families free up financial resources they never knew they had in order to help provide food, clothing, and household items to local families in need.

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Family Fun Night ~ Moe's May 3, 2016

On May 3, 2016, the awesome folks at Moe's Southwest Grill, Lee Branch, donated 20% of all sales, from 5 – 8pm, to the local ministry efforts of Grace Klein Community.

Thank you to everyone for all your support!



THANK YOU to the 15 individuals & families who shared in tangible donations this month!



Thanks!



THANK YOU to the 70 individuals and families as well as the 15 businesses and churches who gave financially this month!

MEET OUR NEWEST BUSINESS PARTNERS

"We're all about making your pizza the RIGHT way, just for you! We love partnering with Grace Klein Community as it allows us, as a business, to do a greater good. Being a business is not all about making the money. The ministry that Grace Klein Community is a part of allows us to reach those in need, near and far, to have a great time, and build relationships. We are pie-lan-thro-pists! Thank you Grace Klein Community! From our family to yours!" – [Pie Five Pizza](#)

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.

