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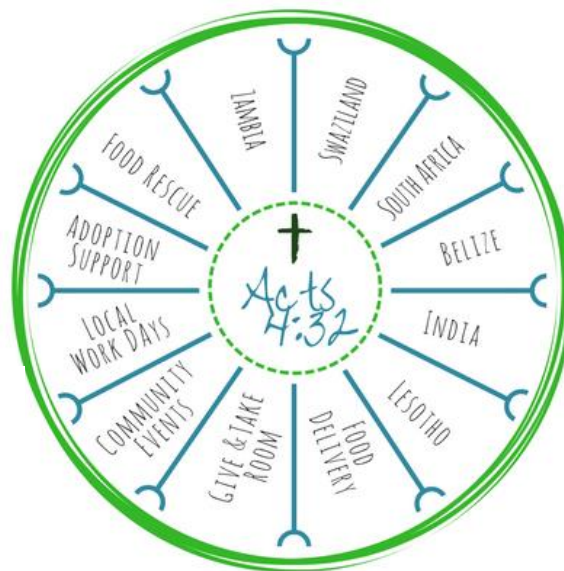
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July 2018: [Summer Serve](#)
 07/27/2018: [Help Move Food Boxes](#)
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OUR PURPOSE

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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EVENT HIGHLIGHT

Summer Serve

We all love summer! Sleeping late, relaxing days at the pool, family vacations, movie nights, reading, art projects, bike rides and creek adventures. In the midst of all the play, we can sometimes forget about the many needs around us, in our own family, in our community and around the world.

For the summer, you can sign up to come serve at Grace Klein Community. We always need helping hands with weeding, organizing donations, preparing for Food Delivery, keeping our work space clean, etc. We are also organizing clothing for our annual [No More Safety Pins](#) event in August, and need a team of volunteers with incredible ideas, enthusiasm and a strong work ethic.

Email natalie@gracekleincommunity.com to get your Serve Day on our calendar. Please include in your email your date options, the time-frame you can serve, how many people will come with you to serve, and in general the ages and skill levels of each person. Please mention "No More Safety Pins" if you want to help with that need. We want to make sure we assign you the right projects so we work together to accomplish the best results.

Come in old clothing. Wear close-toed shoes. Bring a cold water bottle, bug spray and sunscreen. Expect to meet new people and have fun!

"Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing." – Psalm 100:2





No More Safety Pins: August 16 – 18, 2018

Grace Klein Community wants to care for the frazzled mama who doesn't have time or resources for another season. Clothing children for fall/winter does not have to be a stressor or a budget breaker.

Shopping scenario: "Frazzled mama has no time for hangers, tags and safety pins. She participates in ["No More Safety Pins"](#) by bringing 50 excellent quality items and paying \$25 on a "drop off date." She trades in the 50 items to receive 50 new items on the shopping weekend. If she wants 20 more items, she pays in another \$25. Frazzled mama's friend comes with her without trading any items, so she pays \$25 for every 20 items she selects."

Trade Times:

August 16, 2018: 5pm – 9pm (Early Shoppers Only)

August 17, 2018: 10am – 6pm

August 18, 2018: 8am – 4pm

Let us know you're coming! [READ MORE](#) & [RSVP TODAY!](#)

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Local Efforts

Single Mom Connect

On July 14, 2018, Church of the Highlands, Grandview Campus will be hosting a "Single Mom Connect" event gifting single moms with much needed school supplies for the coming year. Grace Klein Community is honored to partner with Church of the Highlands in their efforts to provide some financial relief to these homes through the blessing of school supplies.

Here are a list of items we are collecting to care for these families:

Backpacks, earbuds, composition books (black/white cover – wide ruled), spiral notebooks (wide-ruled), steno books (6" x 9" ruled), subject notebooks, crayons (24 count – regular colors), colored pencils (regular colors), child size scissors (blunt tip), plastic folders w/pockets w/brads (solid colors), notebook paper (looseleaf – wide ruled/college ruled), glue sticks, pencil bags (with zipper), plain yellow #2 pencils (24 count), mechanical pencils, 1 inch binders (various colors), large 3-ringed binders, large pink erasers, etc.

Drop off location details:

Grace Klein Community physical address: 2652 Old Rocky Ridge Road, Hoover, AL 35216.

For shipping – mailing address: 1678 Montgomery Hwy #104, Birmingham, AL 35216.

Deadline for donations: July 13, 2018

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Floodgates

As Grace Klein Community continues to grow, so does our dire need for helping hands around the office. As summer approached, we felt the Lord tell us to simply "ask." Our theme for June and July is "Summer Serve," encouraging folks to reach out to serve alongside us with the extra hours they might have to share over the summer.

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." – Matthew 7:7

The Lord not only opened the door, he opened the floodgates of folks with hearts willing to give of their all, no matter the task.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more.



Global Efforts: Special Announcement – Dakar Academy

Grace Klein Community has a new partnership in Senegal, West Africa!

"I love Africa. I have loved it even before I knew and loved Jesus. I am drawn to the bright cultures and the warmth of their compassion. I am beyond grateful to be partnering with Grace Klein Community in my new season to Senegal, West Africa. I have been accepted as a full time teacher with [Dakar Academy](#). Dakar Academy serves both missionary and business families living in Western Africa. I will have the privilege of working with a stunning staff dedicated to teaching and mentoring a most unique group of students representing the fruit of the next generation. This rare opportunity combines my passion for youth, skills in media and heart for Africa in one job. I have spent weeks trying to receive how grand a gift this is to me from my Father God." – Caitlin Woodward

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BETTER TOGETHER

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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.

We Struck Oil

Grace Klein Community, Inc. struck oil when our paths somehow intersected with Angela. Today, she is a lead volunteer and serves in a variety of unique and intentional ways. Angela retrieves rescued food from one of our weekly donors, involves her bunco group in special projects, teaches us new ideas and how to implement those ideas to improve the organization, delivers food to groups and individuals who need encouragement, continues to meet immediate needs from the Acts 4:32 group, and stores overage food in her freezer for food delivery. Of course that is not all she does, but a good perspective of all the ways she shares her life with us.

If you see a beautiful woman, that always has a smile on her face and a kind word, hauling a hair dryer, a box of frozen bread or a platter of goodies, you may have passed Angela. She is on the move to share love with every person she meets.

"Kind words are like honey— sweet to the soul and healthy for the body." – Proverbs 16:24

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Quietness and Trust

Ann Pasechnyk arrived in May 2018 and spent a month with the Grace Klein family. With broken English and unfamiliarity with America, she could have been nervous or withdrawn, but instead she exhibited so much quiet courage. Her host works during the day and so Ann would come to the Grace Klein Community office to spend her days serving.

She gave countless hours to our community, sorting food, stacking shelves, organizing the Give and Take Room, cleaning donated computers, organizing cabinets, receiving bread, bundling diapers, packing the team for Zambia – contributing any way she could to the needs of the people of Birmingham and around the world. Many people never met Ann, but in her time in Birmingham, she served thousands of people in Jesus' name.

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Networking for a Cause

On June 26, 2018, Grace Klein Community held our quarterly Networking for a Cause event at [Dreamland BBQ](#). Dreamland graciously hosted over 200 local business and ministry representatives, as well as friends and family of Grace Klein Community. Dreamland also generously provided complimentary appetizers for the event. A special thanks to Richard Uzzle, the management team and serving staff for amazing attention to detail and volunteer service!

Door prizes donated by local businesses made an awesome night of giveaways while the silent auction helped raise money benefiting the monthly Food Delivery Ministry of Grace Klein Community. [READ MORE](#)

"I wait for the Lord; my soul does wait, and in His Word I put my hope." – Psalm 130:5

HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED

Team Insight Team Building

We are SO THANKFUL to Team Insight Plus for giving of their time, energy and efforts to sow into the hearts of volunteers and staff at Grace Klein Community. We have only heard praise reports of how much everyone thoroughly enjoyed recent training. Learning our various communication and behavioral styles has already opened the door to deeper conversational topics between volunteers, and even a new understanding of "why we do what we do."

Rocky Ridge Learning Center Food Drive

Thank you so much to [Rocky Ridge Learning Center](#) for your generous donation of non-perishable food items benefiting the monthly Food Delivery ministry of [Grace Klein Community](#)! Our hearts are always encouraged to see community coming together to love on the least of these.

#bettertogether

Church of the Latter Day Saints Food Drive

On June 16th, The Church of the Latter Day Saints hosted a "Game Day." Various folks within their community came together for a time of fellowship and board games. The Church incorporated a Food Drive during their family fun event. Thank you to every individual and family who contributed non-perishable food items benefiting recipients of our Monthly Food Delivery ministry.



THANK YOU to the 67 individuals & families who shared in tangible donations this month!

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THANK YOU to the 63 individuals and families as well as the 8 businesses and churches who gave financially this month!

MEET OUR NEWEST BUSINESS PARTNERS

"We are excited to be able to assist [Grace Klein Community](#) in their mission to help others through the trials of life. It is written in Luke 6:38: "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." We have been blessed to have achieved the accomplishments we have and it wouldn't be proper if we didn't share that with others. May our small assistance be made into a great opportunity for someone struggling through life and may they see that only through faith in the Lord will they prevail." – [Signarama, Riverchase](#)

