

# The Academy Connection



## Grace Academy

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### SAVE THE DATE

GRACE ACADEMY

CHRISTMAS

PROGRAM

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 14

## From the Pastor's Desk

I believe every person needs a church that they are comfortable with. I grew up in a church with lots of rules (do's and don't). That always seemed to be the focus. I learned later in my adult life that that was just a church culture, not a scriptural example of a church. I believe a church should touch every age group in a family- each age goes, looking forward to the church experience and leaves impacted by it on a very positive

level.  
For Kids - First and foremost it's got to be safe and fun - and scripture included.  
For Teens - It has to include people who care about and understand the stuff teens deal with in life.  
For Adults - Church has to be relevant and help them with where they are walking in each season of life.  
A church is a group of people who live life as an extended family to each other, and embrace the

same scriptural beliefs and values. The formation of this family takes time and an investment into relationships with others.

If you are looking for a church, please let me know if I can answer questions and be of any help. I hope to see you at our weekly worship service each Sunday morning at 10am!

Pastor Rick

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## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

<i>Tristan Hardy</i>	<i>3rd</i>
<i>Darrien Wilson</i>	<i>9th</i>
<i>Johnny Huemmer</i>	<i>10th</i>
<i>Madden White</i>	<i>20th</i>
<i>Harmony Love</i>	<i>21st</i>
<i>Kirsten Davidson</i>	<i>22nd</i>
<i>Jacob Morrison</i>	<i>25th</i>
<i>Anna Yoder</i>	<i>26th</i>



## TEACHER SPOTLIGHT



This month we want to recognize **Miss Jen** in Happy Hippos Walker Room. Miss Jen has been with Grace Academy for several years. Since Miss Jen started at Grace Academy she has always put in 100% when it comes to the

care of the children in her room. She is extremely patient and has a way with the walkers that not everyone else does. Sometimes these little ones can be a handful! Jen does a great job interacting with the children and helping

them grow and progress. We are very thankful for everything Jen does for Grace Academy and want to take this time to recognize her and her efforts.

Thank you Miss Jen!!



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## OCTOBER 2013

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## October Curriculum

### October 7-11 AM SPECIAL

There is a lot of training that goes into the life of each preschooler. Sometimes that training can be interpreted from the child as "I can never do anything right," or "Others are better than me." It is important that all the children understand that God has made them for a purpose and loves them just as they are. **Letter: I, i Shape: Heart Number: 6 Color: Purple**

### October 14-18 JACKETS

This theme is about jackets and Joseph's coat of many colors. Interestingly, Jacob (Joseph's father) gave only one of his twelve sons a special coat or jacket. This caused a lot of heartache in the family and set Joseph on a road that would save thousands of people. Although the focus of this theme is giving, dressing is an important skill for the preschoolers, and getting a jacket on can be a big accomplishment. This is a good time to practice these skills. **Letter: J, j Shape: Rectangle Number: 12 Color: Rainbow**

### October 21-25 KINGS

This theme is about kings and how David became the king of Israel. King is the title generally used to represent a monarch, but it can also be used to discuss something large. Preschoolers tend to think of kings in terms of Bible stories (real kings) or fairy tales (imaginary kings). David is a wonderful example of a godly king. He sought God as he led the nation of Israel. The preschoolers need to know that although they are not royal kings they can still be loyal to God.

**Letter: K, k Shape: Diamond Number: 7 Color: Silver**

### October 28- November 1 LIONS

This theme is about lions and Daniel's experience in the lion's den. Preschoolers generally enjoy learning about the wild animals, and lions are considered the "king of the jungle." Although Daniel was thrown into a den with a bunch of hungry lions (a scary situation), lions are part of God's creation, and we are to care for them.

**Letter: L, l Shape: Square Number: 5 Color: Yellow**

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## Policy Reminders

◆ Payments made in cash will not be accepted unless checked in by a director.

Receipts will be given at that time.

◆ Please remember if your child is in diapers, you must supply wet wipes.

◆ Please remember to have a change of clothes in your child's cubby.

◆ Referral Incentive:  
If you refer a family that enrolls a child to  
Grace Academy, you will receive  
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