

## ministry announcements

**Heartstrings Ministry:** for those struggling with miscarriage or infertility. The next meeting will be on Jan 8th at 7:00 in Classroom A3. For additional info please contact Lisa at 836-9273 or jim.lisa@roadrunner.com.

**Communion Servers/Preparers:** If you would like to be on the team that serves and/or prepares communion, contact Kathy Herrmann at the church office.

**MOMs Cookbooks:** 397 favorite recipes for sale in the bookstore: \$10. Proceeds go to MOMs childcare costs. Makes a great gift!

**Wednesday Night Prayer:** Our Group will resume meeting on January 9 at 6:30 in the Children's Wing - C3. Perhaps this is the year God is calling you to be part of this ministry.

**Bookstore:** Please visit our newly stocked bookstore for Bibles, books, cards, etc. It is open before and after each weekend service.

**Benevolent Needs:** A washer & dryer have been donated to the benevolent ministry. If you or someone you know could use these, please contact Bernie Farabaugh or Jill Mintsiveris.

**Suggestions?** We have a box at the information desk that you can use to make suggestions about our new facility. We would like to hear any thoughts you may have.

**Our nursery numbers are growing!** God is adding young families and our nurseries numbers are growing. We're looking to grow our awesome nursery team to match. Interested? Contact Pastor Larry at the church office.

## women

**Digging Deeper:** Women's Bible Study meeting weekly on Thursdays from 9:30 -11:30 (following the Millcreek School calendar) in room A2. Presently studying "Defending Your Faith" by R.C. Sproul, a series on Apologetics. Childcare provided - Cost is \$3 per child.

**MOMs:** Friday Jan 11, 9:30am. Aaron Collins "Becoming a Life Champion". Meet in the Commons. Contact Sarah (833-6377) for more info.

**Babysitting:** Childcare Subs Needed for MOMs, Fridays, 9-12 noon. Paid position. Contact Cherry Clark 474-9303.

## youth

**Junior & senior high youth groups will resume their normal schedule the week of January 13th.**

**Peek'n Peak:** Senior High trip on Sat, Jan 19th. We'll leave Grace at 8am and return at 10pm. The cost for a lift ticket and ski rental is \$53. With a snowboard it's \$58. Lessons cost an extra \$20. You can download a flyer at grace-erie.org. To go you must have your registration and money turned into Pastor Jason by January 6th.

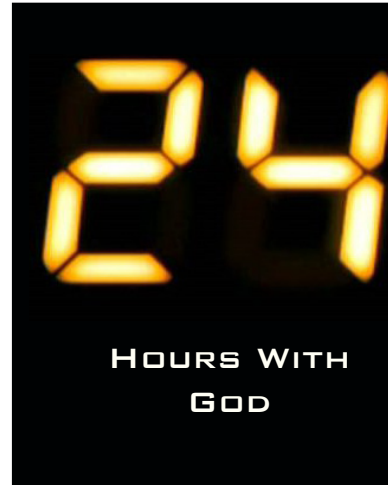
## college & career

**Ignite** your Mondays! Next gathering is Jan 8th at 7pm at room A2. For more information contact Diane Pauli at dpauli@grace-erie.org.

## living with grace (55+)

**The Senior Gathering** will meet on January 15th in the Commons. The Haener Brother's will provide a program of "Big Band" music to warm our hearts. A devotional at 10 AM and light exercise, program at 11 Am. Lunch at noon for \$2.

## upcoming sermon series



Come join us for the first sermon series of 2008. Every day 24 hours pass you by. You get to decide what to do with that time but you cannot pause, stop, or rewind it. Learn how to make every day of your life count by understanding the unique feature each part of the day holds for you.

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January 12-13	The Morning Hour
January 19-20	Nine To Five
January 26-27	The Evening Hour

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**Year-End Giving Thank You:** Grace is such a generous congregation! Thank you so much for your many special gifts during December to support the work of the Lord! General Fund giving exceeded our budget by nearly \$14,000. Over \$95,000 was given to support the Relocation Project. And special gifts for Missions and Benevolence were also extraordinary. Thank you for worshiping the Lord through your faithful giving!

**Valet Parking:** Due to the size of our new parking lots, walking to the facility, especially in the winter months, is a real challenge for some of our people and guests. We are building a valet parking team that will be parking and retrieving cars during our Sunday morning services and we could really use your help. This is a great new ministry that requires no time away from home or family. Contact team leader Peter Cochran @ 835-0486 or email at pncochran@aol.com <mailto:pncochran@aol.com> for more information. Please give this serious/prayerful consideration.

**New Believer? Investigating Christianity?** There is a new 10 week group beginning Jan 13 at 9:30. Starting Point is an opportunity to explore faith and experience community. Class size is limited to 12. Please check the box on the registration card if you would like to register.

**Baptism:** If you're a Christian and have not yet been baptized, the next baptism will be the weekend of Jan 12 & 13 at all 3 services. Please sign up on the registration card before January 5. Contact Miriam Crossman if you have questions.

**Parenting... It IS brain science!** Know what a prefrontal cortex is? How about a corpus callosum or cerebellum? If you are a parent of a teen you should. Understanding what they're doing during the teenage years can help you as a parent. Come hear Penn State Behrend Psychology Professor Dr. Charisse Nixon discuss adolescent brain development and its effect on behavior, all 4 Sundays in January at 9:30.

**Membership:** Begins January 13 for 3 consecutive weeks at 9:30 or 11:00. Open to anyone desiring more information about Grace: our history, beliefs and values. Please check the box on the registration card to register.

**Discover your unique SHAPE.** God has equipped each believer with Spiritual Gifts, a Heart and passions, unique Abilities, a Personality, and life Experiences. You will discover these aspects of your unique gifts through a series of self-administered questionnaires as well as biblical teaching and discussion on each of the topics. It's going to be a great class! You need to fill out our online assessment form and bring your results with you to the class. You will find this assessment on our website: [www.grace-erie.org](http://www.grace-erie.org), on the homepage. Click the link in the blue box that says "shape assessment." CLASS BEGINS JANUARY 20th.

**De Colores Koinonia and Cursillo members:** We would like to know who attends Grace. We are planning to get together to prepare for an upcoming Koinonia weekend. Three candidates from Grace will be attending a weekend in February. Your help is needed to make their weekend as special as ours was. We are planning an evening of fun preparation and prayer. If you are interested please call Jane at 796-4569 or Kim at 899-3607