



MAY 17

LIFE CHANGE IS AN INVITATION AWAY



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I always grew up in the church and even though I attended every Sunday, I lived a very angry life. When I was in Grace Kids, I gave my life to God and decided to make Jesus the leader of my life. After that, in the summer before 6th grade,

I decided to get baptized. However, I made this decision for all the wrong reasons and never truly lived my life for Jesus. I was too focused on living it for myself. I leaned on worldly things and lived a life full of stress and sadness. I knew I needed to change, so I went on the Philly Mission Trip last summer. My world was flipped around and God really worked in my heart. Jesus is my Savior and because of the Philly trip, I recommitted my life to Him. I now have so much gratitude for everything that God has given me. Today, I'm getting baptized for the right reasons - to go public with my faith and to tell everyone that Jesus has changed my life!

TAKE FIVE

GRACE YOUTH SENIOR CELEBRATIONS + SKO [May 3 & 17, 31] - Pray for the Grace Youth team as they celebrate our graduating seniors and as they prepare for the biggest party of the summer. Ask God to spur on the faith of these seniors to live out a lifelong, authentic faith in Jesus. Pray that at SKO, lost students would hear a clear gospel message and respond to experience the full life in Jesus. Ask God to be at the center of this event to create momentum in Youth as the summer begins!

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION [May 10] - Pray that on this day, mothers will be welcomed and celebrated at our church. Ask God to use this day to show how much He cares about families, and how He wants to step into families that may not look on this day fondly. Pray that our team would organize and execute an event that has Jesus at the center, for the gospel to be advanced, and for our appreciation of moms to be shared!

BAPTISM SUNDAYS [May 17 & 24] - Pray that across all ministries, we would celebrate stories of life change as people go public with their faith. Ask God to help us make intentional invitations for people to be baptized, and for their faith stories to inspire life change in others. It's incredible to think how one "yes" can lead to a significant eternal impact.

SERMON SERIES: PRAY LIKE JESUS [May 17 - June 7] - As we get ready to begin a new sermon series, ask God to help our church have clarity on what prayer looks like and how we should go about it daily. We get the opportunity to give God control through prayer and follow his plan for our lives. Ask God that our church would get back to the basics of prayer, and to simply begin talking to God more often to grow their relationships with Him.

CONSTRUCTION ON CAMPUSES - Pray that the construction process on our campuses will go smoothly with quick solutions to problems as the teams create more room for more stories. Pray that these additions would allow our church to reach "one more" and expand God's kingdom across the state of Ohio and beyond. Ask God to help our church work together as we navigate the challenges that come with this season to work as a team that relentlessly pursues the lost.

GRACE CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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