

# Fast and Easy Giving

Grace Romanian Church





## Evenimente viitoare:

- 15 septembrie Church Picnic Rolling Hills Park Ypsilanti
  - ora 11 am, Sunshine Pavilion (lângă playground) 7660 Stony Creek Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48197
  - persoane de contact Danny Jurca & Adi Jurca
- 22 septembrie începe Școala Duminicală! Persoane de contact: Liana Popescu & Diana Morhan
- 29 septembrie Baptism se deshide lista pentru catehizare - persoană de contact Moise Zaha
- 13 octombrie Youth Mission trip in SC, Biserica Emanuel - persoană de contact Richard Pop

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD BLESS YOU!

"For through wisdom your days will be many, and years will be added to your life." NIV Proverbs 9:11

1 septembrie	Liana Pop
2 septembrie	Danny Popescu
6 septembrie	Drinica Balașa
6 septembrie	Jacob Buzguța
7 septembrie	Adrian Petruț
7 septembrie	Christen Cociuba
9 septembrie	Juliana lernea
10 contombrio	
ro septembrie	Linda Gherman
12 septembrie	Linda Gherman Alex Cernau
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15 septembrie Samuel Țurcaș 16 septembrie Adrian Gherman 19 septembrie Ileana Miron 20 septembrie Lidia Tolcer 23 septembrie Danny Jurca 28 septembrie Constanța Hinzman 29 septembrie Brandon Jurca

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# GRACE ROMANIAN PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

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Monthly Program

#### Keep Watch Over Souls: <u>A One-Verse Charge to Pastors</u>

(Greg Morse, desiringGod.org) (Part 2 of 4)

...Practically, soul-watching includes at least three activities: knowing, feeding, and warning.

**1. Knowing** - The pastor deals not only with the differing spiritual conditions of his own soul and the souls of his family, but with dozens more simultaneously. How variable their conditions, how varying the remedies...How needful are pastors?

The pastoral plurality must regularly acquaint themselves with each member's state. Paul commands, "Pay careful attention to . . . all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers" (Acts 20:28). To "all the flock" not "favorite sheep"; "careful attention," not "occasional glances". How? By being with them. Inquire into their love for Christ, their time in the word and prayer, their fellowship in the church, the presence of family worship in their homes. Eat meals together, pray together, sing together, and open the word together. Develop care records and organize your prayer life so that none fall through the cracks. Make time to counsel, and be intentional to press past life updates to see how is it with their souls. Are they beginning to doubt, walking in sin, growing in grace? Are they still traveling safely toward Immanuel's land?

2. Feeding - We know them, and then we feed them. With what? These leaders have already been described as "those who spoke to you the word of God" (Hebrews 13:7). These men spoke, *"Thus says the Lord"* and *"Behold your God!"* Oh, to have his word! Not just to preach it (though we love that too) but to sit with sinners, sufferers, and unsatisfied ones — to address the soul's raw wounds with the balm of the word that reveals our God. Caesarius of Arles gives us examples: [The minister applies] heavenly remedies, saying to each sinner: Do not be proud, brother, because it is written: "God resists the proud." Do not be angry, because we read: "Anger lodges in the bosom of a fool"; and again: "The wrath of man does not work the justice of God." If they perchance see disobedience, they say kindly and humbly: Do not be disobedient, brother, because it is written . . . "Obey your superiors and be subject to them, for they keep watch as having to render an account of your souls." ... If by speaking well he recognizes that he is Christ's helper and a defender of justice, let him rejoice and give thanks to God, and with his help let him persevere to the end, for not he who has begun, but he who "Perseveres shall be saved." (Sermons of St. Caesarius of Arles, 2:352-53) Pastors strive to lend a listening ear and bless with a Scripture-speaking mouth. Apply the heavenly remedies.

**3. Warning** - *"Keeping watch over your souls"* is no mere sightseeing assignment. Elders watch from the high tower of the watchman given in Ezekiel. Son of man, I have made [you] a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand.(Ezekiel 33:7–8) We are not at peace; a holy war rages, and our enemy cannot spell surrender....And so, we must warn — men, women, and children. We cannot be blind watchmen, "silent dogs [who] cannot bark" (Isaiah 56:10). "Pretend not to love them," corrects Richard Baxter, "if you favor their sins, and seek not their salvation. . . . If you be their best friends, help them against their worst enemies" (The Reformed Pastor, 100).

As ministers, we know, feed, and warn against the soul's enemies for the Christian's eternal good and Christ's honor. To be continued...

"Mai bine să fii într-o stare smerită și să ai o slugă, decât să faci pe fudulul, și să n-ai ce mânca." Proverbe 12:9

#### Joi (7pm) Midweek service

5	Iulian J.	Beneficiile neprihănirii	Proverbe 10
12	Moise Z.	Răutatea va fi pedepsită	Proverbe 11
19	lulian J.	Atenție la vorbe	Proverbe 12
26	Pavel P.	Umblă cu înțelepciune	Proverbe 13

#### Septembrie - Biserica Lui, pasiunea mea!

Duminică, 1	Psalmul 112
10am: îndemn	lulian I

mesaj Pavel P. Ceea ce contează: credința și dragostea Filimon 1:1-25 4pm: Church fellowship at Rolling Hills Park, Ypsilanti

Duminică, 8	Psalmul 113	Cina Domnului	
10am: îndemn	Moise Z.		
mesaj	Adrian P.	Pursuing Sanctification	Romans 6:1-23
5pm: îndemn	Florin C.		
mesaj	Richard P.	Networking in Ministry	Titus 3:12-15

Duminică, 15 Church Picnic - ora 11, Sunshine Pavilion, Rolling Hills Park

Duminică, 22	Psalmul 114	Starting Sunday School	
10am: îndemn	Adrian P.		
mesaj	Moise Z.	Începutul Evangheliei lui Isus Hristos	Marcu 1:1-8
5pm: îndemn	Richard P.		
mesaj	Iosif Tirla (Biserica Emanuel, Sibiu, RO)		

#### Duminică, 29 Psalmul 115 Botez Nou-testamental

10am: îndemn Moise Z., Richard P., Pavel P.

mesaj Florin C., Iulian J. Pocăință și credință, botez și ispitire Marcu 1:9-15 5pm: no service

#### Wisdom for Preachers

- 1.Lord, help me to preach today as if it were the last sermon I would ever preach. Jack Hyles
- 2.1 cannot preach on hell unless I preach with tears. Dwight L. Moody
- 3. A sermon is not made with an eye upon the sermon, but with both eyes upon the people and all the heart upon God. John Owen
- 4. The preacher must be a serious man; he must never give the impression that preaching is something light or superficial or trivial. – Martin Lloyd-Jones
- 5. To be effective the preacher's message must be alive; it must alarm, arouse, challenge; it must be God's present voice to a particular people. AW Tozer