A REASON TO REJOICE Luke 2:10–11 & Philippians 4:4

How can we "always rejoice" in the midst of life's difficulties?

- **1. What does "rejoicing" mean?** Philippians 3:1, 4:4 / 1 Thessalonians 5:16
- 2. "Always rejoicing" doesn't mean we never ______.
 2 Corinthians 6:10 / Hebrews 12:2–3
- 3. "Always rejoicing" doesn't mean we never _____. Romans 12:15 / Hebrews 13:3

4. Reasons to always rejoice in the Lord!

Luke 1:14, 10:20; 13:17; 19:6 / John 4:36 / Acts 5:41; 13:48 / Phil. 1:18 / Col. 2:5

What's Real in my life?

- What does it look like for me to "rejoice"?
- On average, how many times per day do I "rejoice in the Lord?"
- When is it most difficult to rejoice? Why?

What's Next?

• Using the scriptural reasons above, make time to rejoice in the Lord each day this week. Try to get friends or family involved!

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Welcome to Grace

Hello! We are so glad you're joining us this morning! We have a strong desire to know and experience God's love. It is His love for us which, in turn, inspires us to love God, love people, and lead others to do the same.

If you're a guest with us, we would love to hear from you! Go to *gccnewton.com* and click the blue button that says *Connect With Us* and tell us how we can serve you or pray for you. We would love to have you join us every Sunday at 9:00am or 10:45am!

If you have any questions or want more information about who we are and what we do, please take some time to browse our website at *gccnewton.com* or visit the connection desk in the foyer.

Connect With Us



Have you signed up for our weekly email? Every Thursday we send the *This Week at Grace* email—a concise way to hear an update from one of the staff members, find information about upcoming events, links to register for events, and more.

Next step: Click the **Connect With Us** button at *gccnewton.com* and let us know in the info box.

Elders: Paul Friesen, Allen Graber, Jack Napier, Kyle Schanbacher, Audrun Siebert, Doug Stucky, Denver Sweazy

Next Steps with Grace



Becoming a member at Grace means you identify with our purpose and you commit to sharing in our responsibility and ministry.

New Members: We will be welcoming Conrad & Megan Pierce as members on Dec 18th.

Next step: Visit *gccnewton.com/membership* to read more information and complete an application.

Giving to the Lord

We believe that regular giving to the local church is an essential act of worship in response to God's generosity and provision for us. You can give at *gccnewton.com/give*, in the Church Center app, or at one of the baskets by the exits of the Worship Center.

Fiscal Year as of October 31 Income: \$913,694.43 Expense: \$793,880.38 Budget: \$893,267.60 Attendance from December 4









Growing with Grace

December 18 | 4 - 7pm | Activity Center

Your whole family is invited to our 9th annual Christmas Caroling event! We'll meet at the church, split into groups, and head out in 15 passenger vans to share songs about the birth of our Savior to assisted living homes, shut ins, and more. We will end back at the church with a soup supper.

Next step: Sign up online at *gccnewton.com/ upcoming-events*! Registration deadline is <u>TODAY</u>!

June 12 - 16, 2023 | Bolivar, Missouri

Our youth will be going to FUGE Camps at South West Baptist University in Bolivar, Missouri this year! FUGE Camps programming is designed to take students out of their normal routine and place them into an environment that is focused on life-change through relationship with Christ.

Next step: Sign up at *gccnewton.com/ upcoming-events* registration deadline is <u>January 15th</u>!

Christmas Time with Grace!

This Christmas season we will be having several special services including two Christmas Eve services, and one service Christmas Day. We love celebrating the birth of our savior here at Grace and we hope you will join us in celebrating him too!

Next step: Join us on Christmas Eve at 3pm or 5pm and Christmas day at 10:45am!

It's Serve Week!

We need your help! This week we are supporting New Hope Shelter but more importantly families in need! December 12th and 13th we are expected to fill these meal slots so if you are willing please answer the call and help!

Next step: Get more info at our Facebook page at GraceCommunityChurchNewton or contact Jeff Reimer by email or phone. *jreimer@gmail.com* and 316-217-5009

For More Information

There are many opportunities for you to get connected and involved here at Grace! For more details, take some time to browse *gccnewton.com*. We especially recommend checking out the *Upcoming Events* page!