



A family-oriented, multi-cultural, Bible-based community committed to  
Knowing God, Worshiping Him, Growing in the faith and  
Sharing the Good News about Jesus Christ

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**SUNDAY, April 21, 2019**

*A GRACE-full WELCOME TO ALL*



## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

- **Sunrise Worship @ 7am • Fellowship Brunch • Sunday School**
- **Praise and Worship • Welcome • Offertory • Announcements**
- **Message:** Pastor Dindo Caporal  
**Sermon Series:** *This is Love*  
**Today's Message:** *God's Love Wants Us to Be with Him Forever*  
**Text:** *John 14:1-3*
- **Benediction**

## CHURCH LIFE

1. **Mid-Week Worship Celebration on Wednesday, April. 24<sup>th</sup>.** Inspirational message by Bro. Sam Choudhari.
2. **Mother's Day Celebration, May 12<sup>th</sup>.** Fellowship lunch this Mother's Day instead of May 5.
3. **Father's Day Celebration on June 16<sup>th</sup>**
4. **Camp Fusion (for 6-12<sup>th</sup> graders).** Save the date, **June 17 – 21.** Latham Springs Baptist Camp

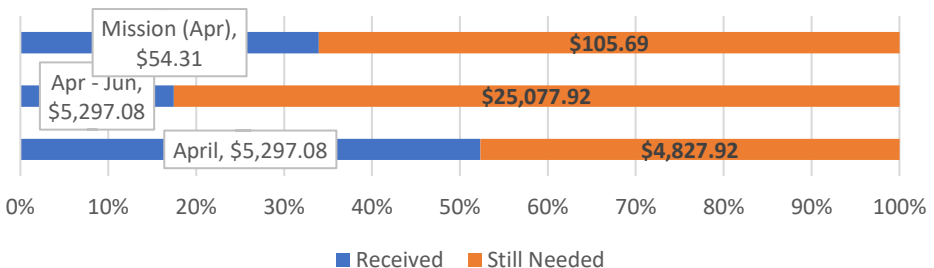
## PRAYER ITEMS



Please submit prayer requests and answered prayers at  
[www.graceaboundsmore.org/prayer/request](http://www.graceaboundsmore.org/prayer/request)

1. **For Healing, Wholeness and Health:** • *Trinie Caraang*, Dr. Jim's sister, at a hospital in San Francisco • *Bobby Punu* • *Heidi Palao* • *Joy de Guzman* (Claire's sister)

## STEWARDSHIP



**Online giving:** [www.graceaboundsmore.org/give](http://www.graceaboundsmore.org/give) (for general fund, tithes, offerings, and missions).



The Apostle Paul presented a great discourse on the bodily resurrection of Jesus in 1 Corinthians 15. But he was addressing a problem in verses 12-19. Some members of the church in Corinth didn't believe that Jesus rose from the dead. According to them, Jesus died and his body remained in the tomb but His spirit is alive.

The main implication of the problem: There is NO EASTER to celebrate!

Paul takes up this argument and poses the question: WHAT IF THERE WAS REALLY NO BODILY RESURRECTION? What if Christ came to earth as a Man, died as a Man, buried as a Man and remains in the tomb like any other man who died? What's true if this is true? That's the question Paul is answering in this Scripture passage.

The key word is *'if'* because it is repeated six times in verses 12-19. What *if* the resurrection is not true? What *if* the resurrection is true? *'if'* is a word of consequence. The audience or readers must come up with a verdict.

### Let's follow Paul's logic:

1. **If** Jesus didn't rise from the dead, the gospel is fake news. **But** if Jesus is alive because of his bodily resurrection, then the gospel is the best news!
2. **If** Jesus didn't rise from the dead, our faith is a religious fantasy. **But** if Jesus is alive because his bodily resurrection, our faith is a fabulous reality.
3. **If** Jesus didn't rise from the dead, the apostles are false prophets. **But** if Jesus is alive because of his bodily resurrection, then the apostles are truthful witnesses.
4. **If** Jesus didn't rise from the dead, sin & death have the final word. **But** if Jesus is alive because of his bodily resurrection, the savior has the final word over sin & death.
5. **If** Jesus didn't rise from the dead, your life is a pitiful waste. **But** if Jesus is alive because of his bodily resurrection, my life has a beautiful prospect.

### Verdict: which is true?

**Is Jesus dead because He remains buried in the tomb? Or  
Is Jesus alive because He bodily rose from the dead?**

*"Death is swallowed up in victory. O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" – 1 Cor. 15:54b-55*

# VISION & MISSION STATEMENTS

## Our Vision:

Grace Abounds Church exists to glorify our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, by fulfilling His Great Commission and living out His Great Commandment to make, mature and multiply disciples of all people groups.

## Our Mission:

To magnify our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, by

- drawing people to become BELIEVERS in Jesus Christ
- directing believers to become life-long LEARNERS of God's Word
- developing learners to be DOERS in various church ministries
- deploying church members as REPRODUCERS of disciples

# GET CONNECTED

## SUNDAY

Prayer Time	9:00 am
Sunday School for all ages	9:30 am
Worship Celebration	11:00 am

## WEEKDAYS

Wednesday: Mid-Week Worship Celebration	7:00 pm
Friday: AWANA	6:00 pm
Saturday: <b>G.A.P. @ GAC</b> Dawn Prayer Watch	6 to 8 am

## Adult Sunday School

### Current Series: Why Are We Here?

- Last Week (4/14): Wisdom from Ecclesiastes – Full Contentment. Ecclesiastes 11:7-10; 12:12-14
- This Week (4/21): He Said What? Hard Sayings of Jesus – God Won't Forgive This Sin. Matthew 12:22-32
- Next Week (4/28): He Said What? Hard Sayings of Jesus – You'll Never Die. John 11:25-27; 20:24-29

## WHY WE NEED TO BE IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

- *To learn more about God and His Word.*
- *To mature spiritually.*
- *It's a place for Praise and Prayer with and for one another.*
- *It's a place of interactive learning.*

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