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MOSAIC BIBLE FELLOWSHIP
Response Card

NAME:

E-MAIL:

PHONE: () -

PLEASE SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- () I am a first-time guest.
- () I am a returning guest.
- () I am a regular attendee/member.

MY DECISION TODAY:

- () I want to know more about the Gospel.
- () I am committing my life to Christ.
- () I am renewing my commitment to Christ.
- () I want to join a small group.
- () I would like to serve on a team.

COMMENTS/PRAYER NEEDS:

- () For Prayer Team
- () For Pastor

Day by Day by Grace
(November 30th)

The Observable Nature of the Grace of God

*The hand of the Lord was with them, and a **great** number **believed** and **turned to the Lord**. Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had **seen the grace of God**, he was **glad**. ([Acts 11:21-23](#))*

Fundamentally, the work of God's grace takes place within human hearts. "*It is good that the **heart be established by grace***" ([Hebrews 13:9](#)). Yet, whenever grace is at work in lives, visible indicators inevitably appear: "*When he came and had **seen the grace of God***." This statement raises for our consideration the **observable nature of the grace of God**.

After Stephen was stoned by the religious leaders, an expansive persecution arose. God used this widespread difficulty to extend the proclamation of the gospel. "*Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, **preaching the word** to no one but the Jews only*" ([Acts 11:19](#)). Others began to reach out to those whose background was Grecian. "*But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, **spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus***" ([Acts 11:20](#)). God used them to touch many lives. "*The hand of the Lord was with them, and a **great number believed and turned to the Lord***." Word of this spiritual harvest soon reached Jerusalem. "*Then **news** of these things came to the ears of the **church in Jerusalem**, and they **sent out Barnabas** to go as far as Antioch*." So, Barnabas traveled to Antioch, where the first great Gentile church was being birthed. When he arrived, the invisible was being made visible: "*When he came and had **seen the grace of God***." It was **obvious** to Barnabas that **God** had been **working** by His **grace**. Souls were being saved. The saved were growing in godliness.

What Barnabas saw was undoubtedly similar to the spiritual phenomenon that had occurred in the church at Colosse. When the gospel was embraced there, it clearly impacted lives: "*the **truth of the gospel**, which has come to you, as it has also in all the world, and is **bringing forth fruit**, as it is also among you since the day you **heard and knew the grace of God in truth***" ([Colossians 1:5-6](#)). In Colosse, the outward effects of the inward work of the grace of God was spiritual fruit. When Barnabas saw this same process unfolding in Antioch, "*he was **glad***."

Dear Lord, I praise You that Your grace has given me a new spiritual heart. Now I ask You to impact my heart deeply by Your grace. I pray that the visible evidences of grace will be seen by all who observe my life. May it bring gladness to them and honor to You, Amen.

Lunch offering can be placed in the offering box in the multi-purpose room. For church members, offering can be dropped in the offering box in the EM room or sent to **NVCCC C/O Chen, P. O. Box 2758, Merrifield, VA 22116**. (Offering is mainly for our church members and regular attendees. If you are visiting us today, just fill in the response card and place it in the offering box.)



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NVCCC English Ministry November 30, 2025

SUNDAY SERVICE

Praise*
Prayer*
Scripture reading
John 10:10-11
Message
Abundant Life
Speaker
Pastor Paul Lee
Response Card and Offerings
Response song*
Announcements
Doxology*
Benediction/Closing prayer
Pastor Paul Lee
(* Stand if you are able, please.)

JOIN US THIS WEEK

Sunday 10AM - Worship service

After Sunday worship service, we have a time of fellowship with refreshments. You are welcome to join!

Friday 8PM - Small group
(In-person and online)

The online link for small group meetings will be found in our weekly email announcement. Any questions? Send an email to: nvcccem@gmail.com

UPCOMING

December 6th — Leaders Meeting

December 7th — Joint Communion

Thank you for being with us today. For sermon notes every week, go to Listen, and Message Note on our website.

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TODAY’S SCRIPTURE

John 10:10-11

¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

¹¹ “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

God’s love for you is forever and ever in Christ!

ABUNDANT LIFE

Discussion Question

What is ONE area of your life that needs tuning to align with God’s purpose for you? Reflect on what needs to be done—and BE SURE TO DO IT.

I AM INTERESTED IN TAKING A CLASS FOR MY SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

- () Membership 101
- () Maturity 201
- () Ministry 301
- () Mission/Evangelism 401

OTHER CLASSES

- () Foundations for basic Christian doctrines
- () Fresh Start for starting my faith in Christ
- () How to do daily Quiet Time with God

NEED TO TALK TO A PASTOR?

- () I would like to talk with a pastor to understand the biblical view on a subject.
- () I would like to know what it means to be a member of MBF (NVCCC)

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? LET US KNOW, PLEASE.

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