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MOSAIC BIBLE FELLOWSHIP Response Card

NAME:

E-MAIL:

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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
(April 12th)

Enriched with Grace by Christ

*I thank my God always concerning you for the **grace of God** which was given to you **by Christ Jesus**, that you were **enriched** in everything **by Him** in all utterance and all knowledge...you **abound** in **everything**—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us. ([1 Corinthians 1:4-5](#) and [2 Corinthians 8:7](#))*

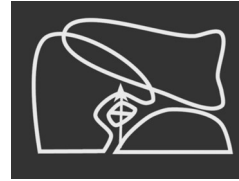
As we have seen, the new covenant of grace is essentially about developing a **relationship** with the Lord Jesus Christ. Our God desires to impart His **grace** into our lives through this acquaintanceship with His Son: *"the **grace of God** which was given to you **by Christ Jesus**."* This phrase (*"**by Christ Jesus**"*) points once again to the intimate relational aspect of living in Christ by grace. God's grace flows into our lives *"by Christ Jesus."* It might be helpful to restate this truth. God's grace comes into our experience **by means of** another person, the Lord Jesus. The limitless grace of our great God is available to us on the basis of who Jesus is and all that He has done for us. It is accessed whenever we humbly, dependently relate to Him.

The resources that continually await us are so rich. The believers at Corinth found this to be true. *"You were **enriched in everything by Him**."* Two areas of God's rich grace are mentioned here: *"**enriched...in all utterance and all knowledge**."* God's grace had enriched them with a great capacity to know the things of God and to put the wonder of those things into appropriate words. When Paul wrote these saints on a later occasion, he elaborated upon the richness of grace that had become their personal experience. *"You **abound in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us**."* Three aspects are added here to the previous list: *"**faith, diligence, love**."* By the grace of God at work in them, their capacity to trust in Him had been enlarged. By the grace of God at work in them, their attentive perseverance had grown. By the grace of God at work in them, their loving concern for Paul and his missionary team had developed further.

When Paul prayed for other disciples of the Lord Jesus, he prayed in a manner that fits this picture. He prayed that their lives might be *"**filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God**"* ([Philippians 1:11](#)). Righteous fruit, such as the Corinthians were enjoying, comes from Jesus Christ imparting His grace into our lives.

Heavenly Father, I again see that Your grace enriches my life by means of Your beloved Son. Lord Jesus, I humbly depend upon You to fill my life with Your righteous fruit, in Your holy name, 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

April 12, 2026

SUNDAY SERVICE

Praise*
Prayer*
Scripture reading
Ephesians 2:11-22
Message
Authentic Church
Speaker
Pastor Nathan Hahn
Response Card and Offerings
Response song*
Announcements
Doxology*
Benediction/Closing prayer
Pastor Nathan Hahn

(* Stand if you are able, please.)

UPCOMING

Registration for Lynchburg Retreat is Open

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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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

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

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— ¹² remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷ And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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

AUTHENTIC CHURCH

Reflection Questions

1. When I hear that God planned the church before creation and is bringing it to pass in history, what calling am I, as one member of this church, fulfilling now?
2. Is my view of the church biblical, or has it been distorted by worldly values and experiences?
3. If I believe that the cross of Jesus Christ is the only answer to all division and conflict, how am I seeking to resolve conflicts in my home, workplace, and church?
4. Of Paul's three images — citizens of God's kingdom, God's family, God's temple — which speaks to me most deeply, and why?
5. Have I gladly received the church's blessings while neglecting commitment and responsibility? If so, how will I turn back now?
6. How can I demonstrate — through my life and service — that the church is the only hope of the world?
7. In my discipleship, what **concrete actions and decisions** does love and dedicating myself to the church entail?

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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