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**A Lot Like Love**  
September 9-10, 2006

# While you are here...

## What you can expect

The only thing we'll ask of you is simple: *relax*. You're with friends. Whether you've been here hundreds of times or just today, whether you're a seasoned church veteran or you've never been in church before, you can anticipate an encouraging and enlightening experience.

**Granger Community Church** is a unique church with an extraordinary vision. Founded by Dr. Mark & Sheila Beeson, GCC has experienced 20 years of rapid growth and changed lives. Our services are designed to be relevant, enjoyable and meaningful. We have a passion for the arts, so music, drama and media are a big part of the way we communicate. We connect, serve and grow in small groups and ministry teams that offer authentic relationships within a larger community of faith. We invest heavily in our children and students, believing them to be some of the greatest influencers of the church today.

Whatever your circumstances – single, married, single again, with or without children – and no matter where you've been or what you've done, you matter to God. And to us. *Our mission: Helping people take their next step toward Christ...together.*

## Interactive Children's Center

Our goal is to make this the best hour of your child's week and the most helpful hour of yours. We invite you to visit the Children's Center – check out your child's classroom, teachers and the one-of-a-kind experience. We also welcome children who are developmentally and/or physically challenged and we've created an environment to meet their unique needs.

To minimize distractions for our adult guests, we ask that children under seven participate in their age-appropriate "classrooms" (the word hardly does them justice) instead of the regular services. To allow your children to participate in all aspects of their program and eliminate disruptions for others, classrooms close 20 minutes after each service begins.

For nursing mothers – a comfortable room is available on the lower level, equipped with monitors so you can enjoy the service.

## Connection Café

Come early. Stay late. Our café has great coffee, specialty drinks, desserts and snacks before and after services.

## Bookstore

We provide books, CDs and other resources to help you on your faith journey. Pick up a copy of today's message to take with you.

## If you're having one of those days...or not

We have a team dedicated to pray for anyone who needs the strength to make it through another day, the wisdom to make a tough decision or relief from an unendurable situation. Whatever challenges you're facing, write your prayer requests on the attached card and drop it in the offering bag. Or if you'd like to meet with a prayer team member, they'll be waiting after the service to the right and left of the stage.

## No Strings Attached

If you're a guest today, please feel no obligation to give. This service is *our gift to you*. If you're a Christ-follower, we invite you to offer your gifts to God.

Want more? Visit Guest Services or C

## Core Classes.

- 101 *Discovering GCC*. Monday, October 2, 5:30-10 p.m.
- 201 *Discovering Spiritual Growth*. Monday, October 2, 5:30-10 p.m.
- 301 *Discovering My Fit*. Monday, October 2, 5:30-10 p.m.
- 401 *Discovering My Mission*. Monday, October 2, 5:30-10 p.m.

## Groups.

**Starting Point. (This month, Starting Point is for singles age 25 and up.)** A comfortable, short-term way to experience a slice of small group life for six weeks. Develop friendships with others and explore the dynamics of community, your faith and your next steps. Monday, September 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Great Room.

**Turning Point.** A safe, group atmosphere for creating supportive relationships with others who share similar life struggles. Group topics: substance abuse, divorce, relationship issues, sexual abuse (women), sexual purity (men), and surviving loss. Next session starts Tuesday, September 12, 6:30-8 p.m.

## Midweek Service.

*Mastering the Art of Living, Volume 3*

**This week's topic: Secret Fasting, September 14.**

Our midweek service, New Community, offers something different from the weekend experience. It has a casual feel, where we share insider information about our church family, sing more and experience extended Bible study. Thursdays at 7 p.m.

## Volunteer.

**Second Saturday.** Check out this opportunity on the second Saturday of every month. Just show up and choose from different serving options, like helping underprivileged children and feeding the hungry in downtown South Bend. Saturday, October 14, 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

## More Next Steps.

**18-25 years old? In the college stage of life?**

Can't find a place that gets it? A place that speaks to the heart of your unique circumstances and the questions that go with it? Experience a new venue at GCC that has the music, the message, the people and the life-application for your place now. MERGE begins Monday, September 11, 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium.

**Baptism.** If you're ready to publicly profess your faith in Jesus, our baptism celebration is Sunday, September 10, 2-6 p.m. at the Life Action Retreat Center in Buchanan, MI.

**All-ages Orientation Classes.** After you register, you'll need to attend one of these sessions in the Auditorium.

Saturday, September 9, after the 5:30 & 7:30 p.m. services.

Sunday, September 10, after the 8:45 & 10:15 a.m. services only.

**Child Dedication.** If you want to publicly demonstrate your intent to raise your young child with opportunities to experience a relationship with Jesus, participate in our child dedication celebration. It will be part of the midweek service Thursday, September 28, at 7 p.m. (Check-in at 6 p.m.)

**Quarterly Mission Focus.** Supporting the construction outreach teams is the focus for September, to improve the quality of life for people all over Michiana and the world.

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If this is your first time, please tell us about yourself.

- I've never been to church.
- I stopped going to church because it wasn't relevant or worth the hassle.
- I attend church on the big holidays and for my grandma's birthday.
- I've been attending another church regularly and am looking for a change.
  
- Keep me in the loop with the weekly newsletter.

Email \_\_\_\_\_

- I already attend GCC. Update my new contact info.

