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Ready, Set, Go: Responding to the Mission of Jesus

Acts 1:4-11

Mike Yoder, Encompass World Partners

Framing the Context for His Mission

Warning of Diversions from His Mission

Needed Clarity about His Mission

The Expanding Scope of His Mission

Our Contemporary Reality amidst His Mission

Seizing the Opportunity within His Mission



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Welcome! Thanks for joining us today.



New to WL?

We'd love to meet you! **Stop by the Connections Desk in The Commons** (right across from the café). We're here to answer any questions you have about WL—and we have a welcome gift just for you.

Got Kids?

Kids from **infants to 6th grade** have classes available during **all three services**. **Students in grades 7-12** meet in **The Hub at 10am**.

Ways To Connect



Connect Card

If you're new today, have recently moved, changed your email, or just want to connect, please scan the QR code or stop by the Connections Desk across from The Café. We want to help you connect at WL.



Thank you for your generosity!

There are three ways to give: On our website at wlgrace.com/give, through the Church Center app using the QR code, or in person using one of the black giving boxes throughout the building.



Serving Opportunites at WL

We'd love to help you step into serving at WL! One of our values at WL is, "Everyone has a part to play." Let us know how we can help you find your place.

Other Ways to Connect...

You can find more information about us and ways to connect at wlgrace.com, Winona Lake Grace Church on Facebook, and [wlgracechurch](https://www.instagram.com/wlgracechurch) on Instagram.



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DISCOVER YOUR CALLING

Discerning Your Calling

Might God be calling you to serve in a cross-cultural missions context? This summer, we will be hosting a discussion group centered on the booklet, *Discerning Your Calling – Discover Your Place as a Global Worker*. The goal of this group is to encourage one another as we pursue lives of gospel ministry—whether in cross-cultural missions or pastoral ministry within our own culture.

Each meeting will include:

- Discussion of a chapter from the booklet
- Sharing personal stories and discernment journeys
- Q&A time with someone who has experience serving in ministry

We will meet on seven Sunday evenings at church, and each session will also be available on Microsoft Teams. If you are out of town this summer, you will still be able to participate digitally from wherever you are serving.

If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact Pastor Bruce at bbarlow@wlgrace.com. Our first meeting will be **Sunday, May 31**.

Partner with a Missionary – our Global Teammates

How to Partner with our Global Teammates

Every household “partnering” with at least one of our missionaries—our global teammates—is one of the goals of our church.

What does partnering mean?

- Learning about and staying current with their work
- Praying for them regularly
- Giving toward their financial support

How do you get started?

- Select the global teammate you would like to partner with (see the card display in the Central Lobby).
- Contact Pastor Bruce to get connected with that teammate.
- See the back of the card for information on how to begin financial support.

Questions? Contact Pastor Bruce at bbarlow@wlgrace.com.

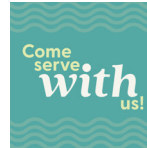


Encounter Columbus

Encounter Columbus is a three-day missions gaining experience in the growing and increasingly diverse city of Columbus, Ohio. The encounter is **designed for senior-high students and adults, June 5-7**.



Opportunities



Looking for a place to jump in and serve?

We have several opportunities right now! Interested? Please use the QR code to find out more.

Brew Crew - Help serve coffee on Sunday mornings.

1st Impressions - If you're friendly and enjoy helping people feel welcome, this could be a great fit. We especially need help on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month.

Grace Group Leaders - We're looking for new leaders to help launch additional Grace Groups this fall.

Playspace and Connections Desks - We're looking for more helpers throughout the week to help us host these spaces well.



Job Opening: Facilities Coordinator

We're looking for a Facilities Coordinator who loves caring for spaces and people, building systems, and mobilizing volunteers to support ministry at WL Grace.



Summer Huddles begin soon. The men's group starts this week and the women's groups begin in June. Now's the time to sign up and ask a friend to join you. Register on the Church Center app or at wlgrace.com.



The Gathering Summer Kick-Off

The Gathering is WL's **young adult ministry for ages 19-28**. We'd like to invite all young adults who will be around this summer to join us for our SUMMER Kick-Off on **Sunday, May 31, at 7pm at The Hub pavilion**.

We'll have snacks, games, a short Bible study, and plenty of time to connect with other young adults at WL and hear about what we have planned for the summer. Whether you're new, have been around for a while, or are home for the summer, this is a great chance to meet people and get plugged in.

Please note - The Cafe, Playspace, Commons and offices will be closed on Monday, May 25 for Memorial Day.

TODAY at 10am, the CareGivers' Support Group will meet in room 106.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- 1) Who is someone that you can share the gospel with this week?
- 2) Who is someone you can ask to hold you accountable to this?