

# Grace Bible Church of Central Florida History

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

- \*Prayer, Bible Study, and Planning Meetings were held in homes in January of 2003
- \*Intercessory Prayer Ministry began meeting weekly in homes in 2003
- \*First Worship Service was at Ocoee Middle School on February 16, 2003
- \*First Baptism was at YMCA with 25 baptized on June 1, 2003
- \*Charter Membership at six months was 385! Current membership is 4,917
- \*First Service at Dorscher Road was on Parking Lot in March 2004
- \*Weekday Bible Study establish in June 2004
- \*Youth Ministry began in July 2004
- \*Occupied Lobby for two worship services in August 2004
- \*Started Men's Ministry in September - 2004
- \*First Sunday in Worship Center was Palm Sunday, March 2005
- \*First Annual Witness Training School was in 2005
- \*First Annual Vacation Bible School was in July 2005
- \*Spanish speaking ministry was established in November 2005
- \*Established Voices of Grace Choir in March of 2008
- \*Sixty-nine Mission Trips have been made to: Jamaica (12), Haiti (8), India (5), Madagascar (2), U.A.E., Ghana (2), Dominican Republic (5), Philippines (12), Guatemala (6), Malawi (3), Canada, South Africa, Thailand, Cayman Islands, Europe (2), Mexico (3), Costa Rica, Cambodia, Uganda, and Honduras.
- \*Over 2,750 have been baptized @ GBC
- \*Over 463,770 have been saved through all the ministries of GBCCF, locally and around the world!
- \*Our pastor's sermons are heard in more than 100 countries @ [www.gbccf.org](http://www.gbccf.org)
- \*Established the following ministries: Singles Ministry, 2006; Couples Ministry, 2006; Grief Share, 2007; Local Missions Outreach, 2008; Young at Heart, 2008; Lifting Up, 2008; CARE Ministry, 2009; First Service Praise & Worship Team, 2010; The Bridge Ministry, 2012; SHINE Ministry, 2012; G.R.A.C.E. Dance Ministry, 2013; Haitian Ministry, 2016; Medical Alert Team (MAT), 2016; Worship Arts Ministry, 2017; Safety Ministry, 2017; Hospitality Ministry, 2017; Pivot Ministry, 2024; and Junior Choir, 2024
- \*Completed our new kitchen and multi-purpose rooms in 2011
- \*Purchased this building, with 7.5 acres on December 31, 2014
- \*Paid off building purchase and became "debt free", June 2016
- \*Purchase 2.5 acres to the East, June 2021