



Dear Grace Lighthouse Family,

It is with my utmost gratitude to our loving and saving God who has given us the privilege to do the work of ministry week after week that I write this annual report.

2021 for Grace Lighthouse Church has been filled with an amazing amount of new developments, incredible ministry opportunities, and the blessing of new relationships.

It's amazing to look back on the momentous year we're leaving behind, and so exciting to see what God has done in and through our church. So much has happened on our amazing property at 2703 Cranberry Highway, and only God in His wisdom could direct us to obtain it right before the world was launched into even greater distress. Through it all, we have sought to be a beacon of grace and light in a world of darkness.

Here are a few things I believe are worth noting as part of 2021.

Our livestreaming ministry has been a lifeline to so many across our area and beyond, including states across the nation and overseas. Because of the livestream, even through the challenges of COVID, our ministry's reach has expanded in ways we never could have imagined.

On April 4th, Easter Sunday, we had an outdoor service on the property, beginning one of the most encouraging seasons of ministry Grace Lighthouse Church has ever experienced. At the end of the service that day, it was heavy on my heart that I did not want to have to preach to windshields ever again. This became the time for us to discern the will of God and ask Him for His guidance on how to move our church to use the property for the late spring, summer and fall. The Lord led us in incredible ways, and provided people willing to give and serve the moment our vision took flight.

We asked God to help us to set a timeframe of 50 days from April 11th to Memorial Day weekend, and we were ready for our dedication service on the property with the land graded, a shed built, electricity, Internet, and facilities, with a fully permitted, 3200-square-foot white tent on May 27th. This set us in motion for an amazing 21 weeks of ministry outdoors!

After a COVID-prompted hiatus from our children's ministry, we were able to revive it this summer through Kids @ The Tent. God brought more children into the church, necessitating a program for them, and He put it on Gloria Monty's heart to take leadership of it. Watching children from ages 3-12 be so excited to learn the Bible and understand Christ for themselves has been so great to see, and we look forward to seeing it continue to grow in 2022.

As the children's ministry was, our food ministry was also on hold until this summer. Before the pandemic, sharing food together after service was a big part of our fellowship, and it's been wonderful to be able to have that again. Karen Larochelle has taken the lead on the food ministry, and many others have been bringing food to share. Thank you to all of you!

As our services under the tent grew this summer, our worship team did as well. We're so grateful to have even more people willing to lead us in worship, and our church has been blessed by those of you who choose to serve in this way.

On July 18th, Bloom: a Home For Girls came to join us and share what God is doing in this local ministry of Teen Challenge for young women 12-17. This 3 to 5 month program is reaching these young women with life skills and truly helping them to know the hope of Christ.

Then on August 8th, Teen Challenge Brockton and the Wareham Fighting Against Addiction Coalition along with the Wareham police department joined together with us, expressing our collective commitment to help fight the problem of addiction in our community.

Later in the month of August, Leon Monty shared with us about Monty's Kids of Ghana Foundation, reaching needy children in Ghana and meeting both their spiritual and physical needs. Through the generous support of GLC, we helped put 4 children in private education for one year and also purchased their uniforms.

It's overwhelming to recount the blessings of the year we're leaving behind, especially those five months under the tent. Incredible relationships and ministry occurred, people came to faith in Christ, many joined our church, and seven made the decision to be baptized. Approximately 160 visitors joined us on the church property between May and October.

We held our final Sunday on October 17th, and five days later had an army of church members assisting, and prayer warriors watching the tent come down. From spring to fall, our services were covered in God's blessing, provision,

protection and filled with so many amazing blessings. Three days after the tent was taken down, we received an unbelievable windstorm that would have shredded the tent if it had remained up. We watched the Lord guide us through so many weather events throughout the summer with minimal damage, and provide us with an incredible army of volunteers to help us resume ministry as if nothing ever happened.

As we made our gradual transition back into the building at 3065 Cranberry Highway, we were able to provide two men's breakfasts - one in September, and one in October. A team of women did an amazing job repurposing and giving the fellowship hall a fresh look, and held a wonderful evening of fellowship in mid-October. At the end of the month we had a fantastic church-wide fellowship with crockpots and games, providing a warm place to be on a night when many were out of power.

After a significant health crisis in my own family and a lot of deliberation and prayer, we decided to host our annual Thanksgiving outreach. We were able to give out 160 meals through an amazing team of volunteers, providing food, hope, and the Gospel to many in need.

There are countless people I have not mentioned here that have poured their hearts and souls into this church this year and especially those who tirelessly served on our amazing greeting and set-up team, media ministry, and 2703 property and labor ministry. I want to express my gratitude for all of your help and partnership in this work. We've been so blessed to have so many willing servants step up to serve. 2022 is going to present a host of new challenges and opportunities, and we're going to need many more people willing to step outside of their comfort zones and give God the opportunity to empower them to be used for His glory. If it's on your heart to serve, I'd love to find a place for you - so please let me know.

Again, my heartfelt thanks to this body of believers for your faithful love, financial giving, and giving of yourselves week after week to this local church of our Lord Jesus Christ. May the Lord's abundant grace remain on each of you!

Pastor David Beguerie

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58