As our Elders and Ministry Staff have recently asked the question, "What's most important in the next 6 months in the life of Grace Central Coast?", there's a shared sense among us that the Lord is leading us into a season of prayer together as a church, a time "to seek the Lord for what only He can do." Across our leadership, we've begun to lean into prayer in a variety of new ways. Today we invite you to join us as we lean into prayer in some new ways in our worship service . . .

- If you are comfortable, join in prayer with the people near you.
- No pressure! If you are not comfortable praying out loud, feel free to pray individually or to simply pray silently with those around you.
- If you would not identify yourself as a Christian today, we're so glad you
 are here. Please observe our church as we talk to God through prayer
 together.

Today's Prayer Requests

- Pray for the light of the Gospel to SHINE brighter across the whole Central Coast, from Santa Barbara to King City and beyond.
- 2. Pray for more opportunities and more boldness to let YOUR light SHINE through "good works" and "Gospel words" as we head into a new year.
- 3. Pray that the light of the Gospel will SHINE brightly at our Christmas Eve Outreach at GraceSLO & Grace5Cities.
 - Pray that we, the family of Grace, would invite in the next week.
 - Pray that those invited would come.
 - Pray by name for those you hope to invite.
 - Pray that many who come would hear and respond to the Gospel.



Light Shining Matthew 5:14-16

Sunday, December 18, 2016

It's an ASTOUNDING truth! Jesus is the light of the world. And He's contagious. When we trust and follow Him, we, too, become the light of the world. Jesus Himself tells us that this is part of our new identity in Matthew 5:14-16. Today, we consider all that means . . .

1. YOU are the light of the world.

2. You are the LIGHT of the world.

3. You are the light of the WORLD.