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# GRACE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY GAZETTE

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## OCTOBER 2022

### Our Mission

*Grace Christian Academy is a non-denominational Christian school that exists to disciple students towards leaving a legacy of walking with Christ, producing wisdom, stature, and favor with God and man. Luke 2:52*



Our elementary bulletin board shares an excerpt from the scripture verse we're standing on for this school year, from Esther 4:14. The board also displays artwork from our elementary students, which creates a beautiful reminder that "the time is now!" (See Mr. Johnson's 'Principal's Corner' article on pg.2.)

### NEW & IMPROVED!

Be sure to check out our newly re-vamped Website. Amber Rockey has created a very functional and beautiful site for GCA—her hard work has paid off. Go see for yourself!

[Gracechristianpulaski.org](http://Gracechristianpulaski.org)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* **Oct. 13, 2:30pm - Music Concert** in Gym
- \* **Nov. 23-25-Thanksgiving Break**
- \* **Dec. 3 - COOKIE WALK** in Gym
- \* **Dec. 15, 6:30pm - Music Concert** in Gym
- \* **Dec. 19-30 - Christmas Break**



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

### The Time is Now!

**“For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father’s family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?” —Esther 4:14 NIV**

Timing is everything. Not only have we heard that, but I am sure everyone of us has experienced it one way or another. You just happen to be in the right place at the right time and . . . BAM, something big happens. Ever walked that out before? I know I have. We know that our God is not a God of coincidences, every detail of His plan has a purpose. And while we may have experienced moments like this in our life, do we have the same perspective with our lifetime? In other words, rather than looking at things moment by moment and how we can experience God’s timing and divine appointments in that moment, what about having an eternal perspective in knowing that we have been born and purposed to live our lifetime in this century, this continent, this city, this church, this ministry. It is amazing to me to think that God has ordained us all individually to be uniquely qualified to exist in this time. Not 100 years ago, not 1000 years ago, but these biblical prophetic times. Anchor and rest on that concept for a moment. I think we can all walk away saying, “The time is now!”

While it took some counsel and prayer, Esther also knew she was made for such a time as this when she had to face King Xerxes of the Persian Empire. King Xerxes, convinced by the evil Haman, signed a decree to eliminate the Jews, Esther’s people, from the Persian Empire. After talking with her cousin Mordecai, Esther came to fully understand and embrace her royal position and then decided to embrace and engage in God’s divine plan. More importantly, Mordecai knew, and Esther came to realize, that deliverance of their people would not “depend” on Esther, but would fully depend on God. Esther was simply making the choice to be a part of it in the position that God ordained her to be in. What an amazing perspective for us in our lives. None of the deliverances in this life that we experience are dependent on us. From raising our children, to changing the workplace, to serving more in our church & ministries; while we choose to partake in it, ultimately it is fully dependent on God. And the fact that He loves us so much that He would invite us in to partake in His plans is simply the demonstration of an all-loving and long-suffering God that would do anything for His people—even sending His one and only Son to die for us so that we can have a new life!

Here at GCA, we are fully embracing our royal positions this year. We will continue to work tirelessly to give up our own way so that we can follow after Jesus Christ. Only then, will our identity in Him grow up and out for the world to see the Legacies of our Lord. We were not made to be silent, complacent, or idle; rather we are made with purpose, for this time, and to be a living testimony of God every day. We want to have the mindset attitude of Mordecai and Esther that God will provide deliverance towards His purposes into everything. That it is not about me, but His divine agenda to invite us into His redemptive plan of love for the glory of Him and Him alone. As Romans 8:28 says, “And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.”

So stand with us! The time is now and the harvest is plenty. Let us be all in with God and one another in what God wants to do in this household of faith.

Be blessed in the Lord and let us all continue to  
“Leave a Legacy of Walking with Christ!”

Jeremie Johnson  
GCA Head Administrator



# GCA Staff 2022/2023



Jeremie Johnson  
Head Administrator



Nicole Jacques  
Elementary  
Administrator



Chara Jensen  
High School Teacher/  
Lab Supervisor



Max Breinling  
Jr. High Teacher/  
Lab Supervisor



Brian Nejedlo  
Science/Social  
Studies/Bible Teacher



Crystal Mathey  
3K-K Level Teacher



Vicky Heimke  
1-2 Level Teacher



Lindsay Kane  
3-5 Level Teacher



Danielle Jensen  
Art & Music Teacher



Beth Jarosinski  
Admin. Assistant/  
Outreach  
Coordinator



Ashley Bisterfeldt  
Admin. Assistant



Stephanie Imeson  
Outreach  
Coordinator

## Teacher/School Wish List

- \* Amazon Gift Card
- \* Electric Drill
- \* Vacuum Cleaner(s)
- \* Basic Calculators (for high usage)
- \* Kaytee Extreme Odor Control Bedding (for class pet)
- \* Sofa Chair (used)
- \* Globe

- \* Tool Box (screwdriver, hammer, allen wrench, etc.)
- \* Magnetic Sand Kit
- \* Bingo Daubers
- \* Metal Baking Pans (magnetic letters)
- \* Good News for Little Hearts Picture Books (Please see Miss Jacques for specific books needed)



# First GCA Grandparents' Day Celebration!



On September 9 we held our first ever Grandparents' Day Celebration at GCA! It was a great success and we were so blessed by all of our grandparents who were able to join us. At the Celebration, grandparents received handmade cards and were able to tour the school and see where their grandchildren hang out all day. Grandchildren 'interviewed' their grandparents to learn more about them and some even played games together. Thanks to all who provided delicious muffins, orange juice and coffee as well. Food, Fellowship & Fun—what a great way to start the day!

Thanks so much, grandparents, for choosing to be a part of our GCA family. We are truly grateful for your impact on our students' lives and for your involvement in so many ways!







# Student Spotlights



Upper Level students and staff made their traditional first week of school donut run—you gotta love GCA!



Jr. High students creating ziggurats in History class.



Abbi and Elli doing a short skit for Show and Tell. (Left)



Commission Monday! Every Monday a student is prayed for during Chapel time—pictured is the Johnson family's turn. (Above)



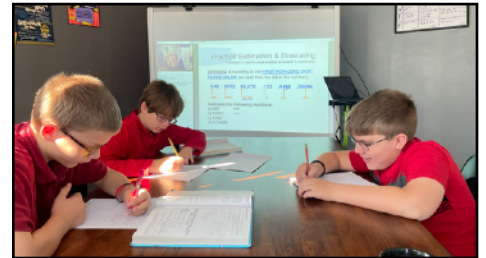
Mrs. Kane's class took a trip to the Pulaski library. It's great that the library is within walking distance of GCA and the students love checking out all the books! (Above)



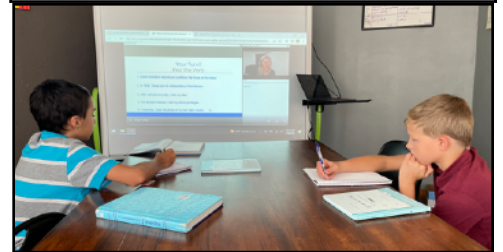
Mrs. Heimke's 1-2 level class



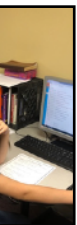
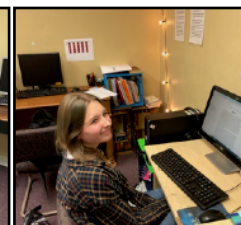
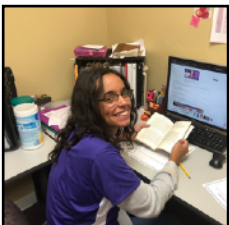
Elementary students making houses for their people in Social Studies class. (Above)



Jr. High Students taking online classes together (Above & Below)



High School online class time with Freedom Project Academy (Below)





# Elementary Fall Field Trip

God provided a gorgeous Fall day for our elementary field trip on October 3! Elementary students went to Hillside Apples where they took a hayride out to the apple orchard and were able to pick 6 apples from the trees and a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch. Then they received a tour of the apple cider-making area and the large refrigerator room, as well as the store/gift shop where they could purchase other treats. Afterwards we got to enjoy lunch and some fun at a Green Bay park.



## SY ATP 2022

GCA participated in this year's See You at The Pole event on Sept. 28. We met with staff and students from BVM at the flag pole on Pulaski Street to pray for our government, country and community. Our God is so good—praise Him for the freedom to gather in prayer!







## Student Testimony

I've been at this school for eight years now and I can't believe this is my final year. I've made some good friends here in the years I've been here and it's been amazing. There have been some friends and families that I've had to say goodbye to as well, it's hard to say goodbye to those who have an impact on you. But I've learned to not wallow in the past instead move on to the next season in life. I would like to thank the staff who've supported me all these years. I would not be the man I am today if I didn't come to this school. I would also like to thank all of my friends I've met and grown with. I will never forget the two friends I met when I first came here who were Grace and Moriah. Thank you for all the great memories we've had together Grace and Moriah, I will always cherish those good times. GCA has taught me how to grow in my walk with the Lord and how to have a relationship with our creator. I still can't believe this is it, I don't wanna leave this place but you have to move on. Like I said, do not think about the past, go ahead into the future. Once again I would like to thank all my friends and the staff for making these eight and final years happen. I couldn't be more proud to come to this school, I will never forget any of you and I will miss all of you.



-Aleck Johnson, GCA High School Senior

## Praises & Prayer Needs...



- \* Praises for God's continued care & guidance for this school ministry.
- \* Prayers for this 2022/23 school year—for spiritual and academic success and for good health for staff, students and families.
- \* Prayers for outreach opportunities to serve our community and for God's overall provision.
- \* Prayers for the GCA Capital Campaign.
- \* Prayers for next school year—direction for next year's need for a new location to run the school.