

Class of 2017 Grade 5 Final Chapel Prayers

May 31, 2017

Dear Lord,

When I first stepped through the front doors of Grace, I was in pre-K. I was very nervous. But that feeling went away immediately. Everyone was loving and kind. All the teachers I have had since then have been amazing. They have given me a variety of skills from playing the recorder to reciting my times tables. Grace will always have a special place in my heart.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

When I came to Grace in the 4th grade, I was a shy girl. But that all changed. As soon as I walked in, I was greeted by hellos and waves. Everyone was so nice to me. Every single teacher did their best to make me feel welcome. At first, I was having trouble with a friend. But my friends and the Grace community made me feel comfortable. Grace is a great school. There will always be a place in my heart for Grace. I hope Grace is still a school when I am in college!

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I started at Grace in Kindergarten. As soon as I walked in, I felt welcomed. I made 3 new close friends, and one is still here. I also met other friends along the way. I learned

how to be a good friend. I will always remember my last Grace basketball game. I will miss this place called Grace.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

When I first walked into Grace in grade 1, I thought I was doomed. I thought it would be hard to make friends. Well, it was quite the opposite. All I did was switch sides in a Lego war and I made some friends. Well, things got better from there. I learned what capture the pig was. I was encouraged to read one of my first long books, *The Graveyard Book*. No teacher would ever be mean to me, because all of the teachers are very kind. Now, I have many friends at Grace. I have not only learned academically, but also from my many experiences at Grace, both good and bad. Even though I am leaving, I know Grace will always be the awesome place it is today.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

Ever since I walked through those doors, it changed me. I started out as a shy kid, but Grace changed me. Other schools, you walk through their doors and you want to go back home, but with Grace that is not the case. Grace has been the place. The place to get away from your brother, the place where you can improve your penmanship (not that my penmanship is any better). A place to strengthen the mind and body (a military

quote). Wherever I am or no matter how much time passes, Grace will always be the place for me.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I came here in the 4th grade. I was scared and nervous, and then a younger boy welcomed me and made me feel at home. He is still my friend today. Over time, I got some more friends that made me feel comfortable, as well as the teachers. When I was down, my friends and the community have helped me feel better. I hope Grace lasts for a long, long time.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

When I first came to Grace, I came from another school, halfway through the year. At first, I didn't want to go to Grace. But when I actually started here, I was super happy. Everyone was so accepting. Sometimes I had some bumps in the road, but that has helped me grow in grace. Thank you everyone for all you've done for me.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

When I came to Grace it was in the 3rd grade. I was very nervous to meet my new class, but they were nice. I made friends and I learned a lot. I wish that I could stay for life, but I can't.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

The moment I walked through the front door of Grace, I was terrified. But they had Legos, so I was happy. Some other people were playing Legos and they said hello. They were the first people I met. And now, I still look up to them for their character and for who they are.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I have been at Grace since kindergarten. When I first came to Grace, I didn't have any friends. I made two friends who were in pre-k. Then a girl came in my class and she ended up being my best friend. I grew a lot at here, and I don't want to leave Grace. This school has a special place in my heart and I hope it is here forever.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I came to Grace when I was in preschool. I left Grace at the end of kindergarten, but over the years, I was missing Grace. So I bugged my parents if I could go back. And I

did come back in the 3rd grade. When I came back, all of the teachers were excited. Everyone is so kind and thoughtful. Grace is no ordinary school because whenever you walk in the halls, you get a vibe of happiness. Grace taught me to be mindful of what I say and do. I will very much miss this school. May Grace always grow in grace.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I started Grace in the 2nd grade. Grace has a lot of great teachers and events, that I'll never forget. What I learned at Grace is how to make friends, to have self-confidence, and to be kind. I will never forget the people at Grace. Don't let Grace ever go away.

This school is more special than anything on the planet. Thank you lord for Grace.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I have been at Grace since kindergarten. When I first came, I was shy, but that soon ended. I have made many friends here, especially with those who came in the 1st grade. I will remember laughing and playing and even arguing together. All my teachers have been really nice, and when I needed help, the teachers would be there. I also think they have greatly prepared me for middle school. I think Grace taught me how to be a good friend. I hope this school never changes. I also thank my family for making it even better and for always being there for me.

Lord in your mercy.

Dear Lord,

I have been here since I was in the 4th grade. When I came in, I saw one of my former friends from an old school, which made me happy. I will always remember last basketball game, when I scored 28 points. Even though we lost, I was still happy for Grace. I am thankful for the teachers because they helped me through hard situations.

Lord in your mercy.