

# Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, March 8, 2026

The Church  
With a Heart 

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

March 1—7, 2026

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Int. Harvest Church	1:30 pm
Praise Team	4:30 pm
Evangelism	6:00 pm

### Mid-Week

FB/YouTube Bible Study

### Wednesday

Bible Study	6:00 pm
Praise Team	7:00 pm

## Stewardship Thought...

**Romans 11:12-14**—“*But if their transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their fullness bring! I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them.*”

The Hebrew people were chosen by God to witness to all nations. But, instead, they became self-centered and mismanaged the blessing God provided. Mismanaging or withholding our witness or money diminishes our influence for God and good.

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## Worship Service

### TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

### TIME TO GATHER

Opening: Great and Mighty

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanctuary

### SCRIPTURE: Romans 10:15

Heaven Came Down Hymn 438

### TIME OF GIVING

Offering\*

Because He Lives Hymn 407

### TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Message: God's Work And Our Walk

Matthew 13:1-23

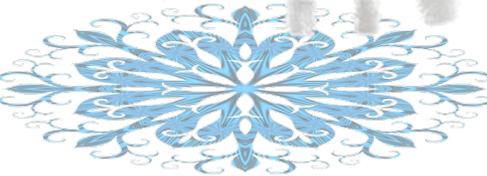
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### CLOSING PRAYER

\*Please place offerings in the wooden box in back of the church.

## March Birthdays

JerriAnn Fernandez	3/13
Jim Morton	3/19
Carla Pohl	3/15
AnnaJo Spotted Bear	3/19
Kristie Teneyuque	3/29
Josie Zuniga	3/10



## Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 948.00
Designated Offerings	\$1,041.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$1,989.00
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 94.80
<b>Needed This Week for Budget</b>	<b>\$1,404.94</b>

## Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

### Treasure Stored in Heaven

1 Timothy 6:7, “We brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.”

It's common for those who are traveling overseas for the first time to pack a lot of stuff. The fear is being so far from home and needing something. But a recent article speaks of the problems of overpacking. It advises leaving behind shampoo and hair dryers (which most hotels have) and not bringing extra shoes and books, which are bulky and heavy. The writer notes that when you wind up lugging heavy luggage over Europe's cobblestone streets, you'll wish you didn't bring so much with you.

In a way, it's an apt metaphor for the travel advice the apostle Paul provides: “We brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it” (1 Timothy 6:7). He ties this to the problem of possessing too much: “Those who want to get rich fall into temptation,” and he warns that extra baggage is “a trap” leading to “ruin and destruction” (v. 9). People of faith have a different travel destination where all that's needed is provided by God—“everything for our enjoyment” (v. 17).

It might be good for us today to remember that what we accumulate in life is meaningless. We can't take it with us. By being “generous and willing to share” (v. 18), Paul says we “lay up treasure . . . for the coming age.” This is the best travel tip of all, the secret to “life that is truly life” (v. 19).

## Announcements...!

### •Mid-Week Bible Study—

EVERYONE is invited to join Bro. Frank for mid-week Bible study on YouTube any time and at the church on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. This week, the study begins in 2 Chronicles 33:21-25.

### •Preschool Leaders Needed—

We need members who are willing to watch little ones during our worship service. We also need a leader and assistant to teach preschoolers during Sunday School whenever new families begin coming.

### •VBS—Coming this Summer

Theme: Rainforest Falls

Dates: June 22-26

Times: 6:30-8:30

We still need helpers—take a look at the sign-up sheet to find out what spots are open.

### •Donations Toward Our Church and Various Ministries—

Please consider donating toward our CHURCH BUDGET, WHICH IS OUR MOST CRUCIAL NEED. Some of our ministry needs are Sharing the Load, 2026 VBS, 2nd Floor A/C fund, Together We Build, Children/Preschool fund, Youth fund, Benevolent Ministries, Music Ministry, North American and International missionaries, J & T, Texans on Mission, Sa-



maritan's Purse, etc. You may place your donations in an offering envelope and write the name of the ministry/organization on a "Special Offering" line (the amount goes on the right). Remember to place your regular tithe on the short line after the words, "Budget Offering." Then place all donations in the offering box in back of the church. Or—you may also send your donations through the mail or Zelle. The church's Zelle address is [gfbcfw@ sbcglobe.com](mailto:gfbcfw@sbcglobe.com).

•**Church Website**—If you have internet you can go to our website—<https://www.gfbcfw.org>—to find lots of information such as sermon notes, pastor's weekly YouTube messages, Bro. Frank's YouTube Bible studies, giving opportunities, the ability to leave prayer requests and more.

•**Instagram**—Also, please remember to follow our church on Instagram at [@gfbcfw](https://www.instagram.com/gfbcfw) where you can receive inspiration and information!

•**Toiletry Items for the Homeless**—Since the homeless are always in need, please continue to collect travel-size toiletry items, and bring them to Becky at the church.

•**Budget Needs**—Please, prayerfully consider your part in support of our church missions, ministries, utilities, and upkeep. This week we need to pay our AT&T, gas, pest control, water, and electric bills. How can you help? Please just pray, trust God and be faithful. God bless you!

## Annie Armstrong

**Annie Walker Armstrong** (July 11, 1850 – December 20, 1938) was a lay Southern Baptist denominational leader instrumental in the founding of the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU).



### Early life

Annie Armstrong was born in Baltimore, Maryland to John Dunn Armstrong and his wife Mary Elizabeth (Walker) Armstrong. She had several siblings including a brother named James. She came from a long line of prominent Baptists including her great-great-grandfather, Henry Sater who helped establish the first Baptist church in Maryland. At the age of 20, she had a spiritual awakening to Christ and was "born again" under the preaching of Dr. Richard Fuller at Seventh Baptist Church (now Seventh Metro Church). Later, she was among 100 Seventh Baptist Church members who established Eutaw Place Church (now Woodbrook Baptist Church). The church was pastored by Richard Fuller, the third president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who was heavily involved in missionary activities.

She worked with multiple Baltimore missionary organizations ministering to orphans, African Americans, Native Americans, Chinese American immigrants, and indigent women and families.

"I never saw a wild thing sorry for itself. A small bird will drop frozen dead from a bough without ever having felt sorry for itself"—D.H Lawrence

## Today's Scripture

**Romans 10:15**—"And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

**God's Work And Our Walk**

*Matthew 13:1-23, Isaiah 40:31,  
John 15:5, Romans 8:29,  
Romans 10:15, Ephesians 1:13-14,  
Philippians 4:6-7, 2 Peter 1:3-8*

**Spiritual Growth Begins with God**

- The church is \_\_\_\_\_ field and \_\_\_\_\_ building, **not man's**.
- Only God can make the church \_\_\_\_\_.
- Do not confuse the **messenger** with the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Spiritual maturity does not begin with \_\_\_\_\_; it begins with \_\_\_\_\_ provision.

**Cooperating with the Spirit's Work**

- We need to offer our entire \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus as a **sacrifice**.
- We are **united** with Christ in both His \_\_\_\_\_ and His \_\_\_\_\_.

- God's goal is not merely to **inform** us, but to \_\_\_\_\_ us.
- Spiritual growth is not a **one-time** decision; it is a \_\_\_\_\_ process.

**Growth is a Lifelong Journey**

- While spiritual growth is undeniably **personal**, it was never meant to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- We live in an age where **opinions** masquerade as \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ teachings spread like wildfire.
- Without spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, we become \_\_\_\_\_ to whatever ideology happens to be **popular** at the time.
- Truth-bound, Christ-centered** \_\_\_\_\_ becomes the \_\_\_\_\_ in which spiritual maturity flourishes.



### Christlikeness for God's Glory

- The believer's initial act of **faith** is not the \_\_\_\_\_.
- We must live a life of intentional **spiritual** \_\_\_\_\_.
- We need \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ to **resist** temptation, and **perseverance** to \_\_\_\_\_ hardship.
- True reverence for God requires total \_\_\_\_\_ to His authority.

### Conclusion

- We have been saved by grace and set apart for God's purpose—not to remain \_\_\_\_\_, but to be \_\_\_\_\_ daily into the image of Christ.
- \_\_\_\_\_ growth is not **optional** for the believer.
- The call of Christ is not merely to

\_\_\_\_\_ once, but to \_\_\_\_\_ continually.

- Let us press on, **rooted** and **grounded** in \_\_\_\_\_, growing in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ until the day we see **Him** face to face.



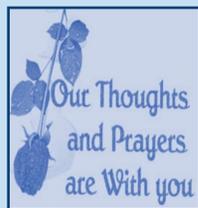
# Remember in Prayer . . .



†Each week, please read through and update our prayer requests. Let us know if we need to keep praying for something or if the prayer has been answered.

## †Please pray for strength and total healing

for 5-yr-old Lexus who is in ICU for kidney and other complications; Kylie from cancer; for health issues for Bill; for Alice to continue healing; for JerriAnn and Carlos who was recently diagnosed with stage 4 cancer; continued healing for Tony from cancer & broken ribs; for Lori who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer;



healing for Victor from cancer and for Liz's many issues; for Mark H. from cancer; for Lisa from breast cancer as she goes through chemo and for her husband to find a new job; healing for Tonya from traumatic brain injury and surgery; Laura Thompson's vision loss; Frank's hip and back to heal; for Carmon from her fall & hip surgery; for Gwen from pancreatic cancer and for Dale as he cares for her; for Cliff and Stacey's poor health, and for Sha-

ron as she cares for them; for Kevin to heal from pancreatitis; healing for Herbert, Barbara and Kitty; healing for a growth on Ashlyn's brain; for Paige and Kristie's health issues; healing for Virgie and Rose E; for Oscar A, Robert and Annie, Nora and Doyle; for John's head and memory; for Laura's vision and memory issues; and for Susen's eyes, stomach and feet.

## †Miscellaneous praises and prayer needs—

Please pray for an unspoken request for Becky; for an unspoken prayer for a young couple working through problems; praises and prayers for Paige, Jacob and Stetson; for an unspoken need for Nick; for an unspoken prayer for Donna; for an unspoken need for Tiffany; for an unspoken need for Richard; for Jim and his need; for family challenges for Daisy; for needs of the Polk/Flores family and their needs for

God's guidance; for Paige and Brian, Carla and Tony as they continue to care for Dakota's type 1 diabetes; for Jourdeah's best interest in her family and for unity in the Maroney family; for Chris and his little girl—Amiyah, and for their unspoken needs; for Ryan and his unspoken needs; for Genna, Nick and RJ's needs; and for Shannon and Allison's relationship.

## †Pray for the Children—

Please pray for the children and youth in our church and for those who will come to our VBS; and for teachers and staff who are leading them in all areas of their lives.

†Pray for our church—for our pastors and their families; for REVIVAL among our members; for a preschool teacher to come forward; and for a miracle involving the demolition of the south building.

# Prayer Works!

## Prayer Requests & Announcements

You may email new prayer needs, announcements, edits and deletions to [gfbf-fw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gfbf-fw@sbcglobal.net) or enter them on the website by Tuesday at noon, 12:00 pm. You may also text your prayer requests to 817-937-5974.

# Remember in Prayer . . .



## †**International Harvest Church and Ministries**—

Please continue to pray for the International Harvest Church and Ministries as they worship and praise God in the GFBC facilities. Pray for the missionaries they are supporting in Myanmar.

## †**Pray for wisdom, peace and protection in our nation**—

for state and North American missionaries; for Texans on Mission and Samaritan's Purse and their work; for first responders and those who have suffered loss from various disasters; for the homeless, refugees and those suffering from hunger in our nation; for churches that are

struggling; for wisdom for our political leaders, including our president, VP, governors, senators and congressmen.

## †**Pray for the Nations**—

for Samaritan's Purse as they minister to hurting people around the world; for our International missionaries; for J and T as they minister to Afghan refugees; for a peace agreement in Israel; for the situation in Ukraine to be resolved; for Burmese Christians in Myanmar; and for other Christians, missionaries and refugees who are suffering from persecution in the Middle East, Taiwan, N. Korea, India, Africa, Viet

Nam, China, Russia, Turkey, etc. Pray for the OCC shoeboxes and for the children who received them.

