

# Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

The Church  
With a Heart 

Sunday, June 7, 2026



## Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

### God's Perfect Specifications

Genesis 1:27, "God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them."

After a company couldn't meet the specifications for ink pens used in some US government offices in the 1960s, the General Services Administration asked National Industries for the Blind (NIB) to make 70 million pens—despite NIB having never made pens before. They accepted the challenge and met all the specifications. Since 1967 blind factory workers have assembled these writing instruments used extensively by military personnel. The pens can be used to write upside down, make a mile-long line of ink, and withstand extreme temperatures.

Genesis 1:27 reminds us that each human being has been made to God's perfect specifications: "God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." How we're created reflects God's character and nature. Being created in His image means everyone has inherent dignity and worth. God said that each person's story begins with being made "in [His] image, in [His] likeness" (v. 26). This truth provides the foundation for understanding human dignity, identity, and relationships with others.

Just as those pens serve a vital role, so do we! Though we might feel unimpressive, each of us holds intrinsic value and purpose crafted by God. Today, may we embrace our story, knowing our Creator treasures us and calls us "very good" (v. 31).

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

June 7—13, 2026

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Church Council	12:15 pm
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

## Worship Service

### TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

### TIME TO GATHER

Opening: Lord, You're Welcome  
Holy, Holy, Holy

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

My Lord Is Near Me All the Time Hymn 59

**SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 4:16**  
Day By Day Hymn 66

### TIME OF GIVING

Stewardship Thought  
Offering\*

Heaven Came Down Hymn 438

### TIME IN GOD'S WORD

**Message: The Power to Change**

Philippians 1:3-6, 9-10

Bro. Oscar

### CLOSING PRAYER

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

## Stewardship Thought...

**Genesis 14:18-22**—  
"[Melchizedek] blessed Abram... Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything... [Later, Abram said to the king of Sodom] I will accept nothing belonging to you...."

A person's giving to God is prompted by a basic attitude. Abraham is an example. His attitude was that all he had belonged to God. He refused to keep the things he captured in battle even after he gave 10 percent of it in gratitude and worship. Unselfishness and giving go together.

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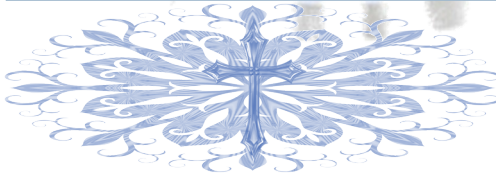
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## June Birthdays

Herbert Jackson	6/15
Tina Koellmann	6/05
Analysa Ramirez	6/19
Dale Robertson	6/05



## Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 1,230.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 169.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERINGS</b>	<b>\$ 1,399.00</b>
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 123.00
<b>Needed This Week for Budget</b>	<b>\$ 1,900.84</b>

## 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 will begin in 1 Thessalonians 5:12.

•**VBS—Coming Very Soon**—

Theme: Rainforest Falls

Dates: June 22-26

Times: 6:30-8:30

We still need helpers—take a look at the **highlighted yellow areas** on the sign-up sheets to find out what spots are open.

\* VBS Family Day - June 27<sup>th</sup>



•**Other Upcoming Important Dates:**

VBS Safety Meeting - June 14<sup>th</sup>

Father's Day - June 21<sup>st</sup>

250 Birthday of U.S.A.— July 4<sup>th</sup>

Our U.S.A. Celebration —July 5<sup>th</sup>

•**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.

•**Donations Toward Our Church and Various Ministries**—Please consider donating toward some of our ministry needs such as Sharing the Load, VBS, 2nd Floor A/C fund, To-

gether We Build, Children/Preschool fund, Youth fund, Benevolent Ministries, Music Ministry, North American and International missionaries, J & T, Texans on Mission, and Samaritan's Purse. And please remember our CHURCH BUDGET, WHICH IS OUR MOST CRUCIAL NEED.

—When you place your donations in the offering envelope, remember to put your regular tithe on the short line after the words, "Budget Offering." Then write the name of each ministry/organization on a "Special Offering" line (the amount goes on the right). Place all donations in the offering box in back of the church. Or—you may send your donations through the mail or Zelle. The church's Zelle address is [gfbcfw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gfbcfw@sbcglobal.net).

•**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 where you can receive inspiration and information!

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



## What is the Cooperative Program

The Cooperative Program (CP) is a missions-funding mechanism that allows Southern Baptist churches to voluntarily contribute a portion of their offerings to support a wide array of ministries, including theological education, church planting, and both domestic and international missions. Established in **1925**, the program was designed to unify giving, reduce competition among ministries, and maximize the impact of every dollar contributed.

### How It Works

1. **Local Giving:** Individuals give tithes or offerings to their local church.

2. **Church Contribution:** Each church decides what percentage of its budget to allocate to the Cooperative Program.

3. **State Convention:** Funds are sent to the affiliated **state or regional Baptist convention**, which acts as the collection agency. The state convention determines how much to retain for local missions and how much to forward to the SBC for national and international work.

**National Distribution:** At the SBC Annual Meeting, messengers vote on how the funds received from states are distributed among SBC entities, such as the **International Mission Board** and the **North American Mission Board**.

This unified approach allows Southern Baptists to support a comprehensive network of ministries through a single giving stream. This ensures a coordinated effort in fulfilling the Great Commission.

## Today's Scripture

**2 Corinthians 4:16**—"Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day."

**The Power to Change**

*Philippians 1:3-6, 9-10, Philippians 2:12-13, Proverbs 6:10-11*

**Process of Transformation**

- \_\_\_\_\_ requires intentional effort on our part.
- Salvation has three components: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- We work together with the \_\_\_\_\_ in the process of spiritual transformation.
- The process of becoming more like Christ does \_\_\_\_\_ our standing with God.
- The more \_\_\_\_\_ to be like Christ, the more we are able to comprehend His love for us.

**Growing Spiritually**

- Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ does not happen overnight.

• Commitment to daily \_\_\_\_\_ makes a huge difference over time.

- \_\_\_\_\_ every day, even if it is just one five-word prayer, and then build on that as you are able.
- Read the \_\_\_\_\_ today, and every day.
- Daily \_\_\_\_\_ of disciplining yourself to read the Bible, even for only a few minutes, will pay huge dividends over time.

**Control Our Tongue**

- Our \_\_\_\_\_ literally has the power to bring death or life.
- Learn to say one \_\_\_\_\_ encouraging thing each day.
- We underestimate the constructive power of genuine \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ should compel us to share the good news with people we meet.



### Share the Gospel

- We should always be on the lookout for opportunities to \_\_\_\_\_ to people about \_\_\_\_\_.
- Pray daily, or weekly that someone would take the initiative to ask if \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.
- If spiritual habits \_\_\_\_\_, then we gradually become \_\_\_\_\_ from God.
- We need to do spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ and take care of our spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

### Conclusion

- The church is \_\_\_\_\_ field, and God is the one who causes spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.
- Spiritual growth happens slowly, over time, but it does not happen \_\_\_\_\_.

- We will see a \_\_\_\_\_ of righteousness, faith, hope, love, joy, and peace in our lives by maintaining good spiritual habits.



# 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 Kylie from cancer; for health issues for Bill and Alice; for continued healing for Tony from cancer & broken ribs; for 5-yr-old Lexus for kidney and other complications; 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 healing from surgery for Lisa and for additional surgeries she will need; 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 illnesses and hip repair; for Gwen from pancreatic cancer and for Dale as he cares for her; for Cliff and Stacey's poor health, and for Sharon 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 comfort for JerriAnn in the loss of her husband, Carlos; for an unspoken request for Becky; praises and prayers for Paige, Jacob and Stetson; blessings for Gennacie, Nick, RJ and Celeste; 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 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; 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—

pray for our pastors and their families; for REVIVAL among our members; for VBS, the leaders and children; 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. Bless them as they continue for many years. 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 their works; for first responders and those who have suffered loss from various disasters; for 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. Especially be in prayer for our president to make wise decisions when it comes to other nations; pray for our nation during the mid-term elections and for



wisdom for us this fall in choosing the right leaders.

## †Pray for Peace Among the Nations—

for Samaritan's Purse as they minister to hurting people in the U.S. and around the world; for our International missionaries; for J

and T as they are ministering in different areas during their furlough; for a peace agreement in Israel and the Middle East; 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.

## Please Pray for VBS

Jesus, we pray that through VBS, kids in our community will grow in their relationship with you. We ask that you begin to break down any walls that might be preventing their young hearts from receiving your love. We ask that the truth of who you are sink deep into their hearts. Let them leave knowing who you are and the overwhelming, joyful love you have for each and every one of them. May the impact of VBS last a lifetime.

