

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, August 2, 2026

The Church
With a Heart

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

August 2—8, 2026

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Church Council	12:10 pm
Int. Harvest Church	1:30 pm
Evangelism	6:00 pm

Mid-Week

FB/YouTube Bible Study

Wednesday

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

Stewardship Thought...

Deuteronomy 16:17—"Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the Lord your God has blessed you."

Giving to God has always been in relation to the amount God gives to people. A major difference in Old Testament and New Testament giving was the use made of the gift given. Christians give to help win others to faith in Christ.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Opening Hymn: Who Can Satisfy
My Soul

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn 58

SCRIPTURE: Nahum 1:7

Hymn 262

TIME OF GIVING

Stewardship Thought & Offering
Hymn 290

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Message: The Angry Powerful Good
God Nahum 1:1-7 Bro. Oscar

CLOSING PRAYER

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

August Birthdays

Austin Gonzales	8/31
Robert Hayes	8/11
Noelia Mendoza	8/23
Laura Michelle	8/02
Oscar Pruitt	8/16
Susen Pruitt	8/27

Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 1,119.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 343.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$ 1,462.00
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 111.90
Needed This Week for Budget	\$ 852.65

Unchained by God

2 Timothy 2:10, "Therefore, I endure everything..."

Bulgarian lifeguard Yane Petkov won a world record for swimming with his hands and feet tied together. He swam 3,380 meters through the water but added something to intensify the challenge—he wrapped his body in a sack.

The patience and strength required to keep moving despite being so "tied up" amazes me. The apostle Paul also displayed rugged resistance to obstacles as he served God in the days of the early church. Despite facing fatigue, hunger, sleeplessness, and beatings, Paul continued to preach and write letters of encouragement and instruction to his fellow believers.

Paul penned his last letter to Timothy when he was isolated in a Roman prison, awaiting execution. Although shackles restricted his body, he noted that the good news could not be "chained" (2 Timothy 2:9). "Therefore," Paul said, "I endure everything" to give others the chance to hear and accept the truth about Jesus Christ (v. 10).

God can help us endure any kind of difficulty that stands in the way of serving Him. Physical limitations such as illness, injuries, and disabilities require care and attention, but they can't ultimately surpass God's power, which is made perfect in our weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9). Let's give God the glory when He works through us to do things we cannot do on our own.

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 be in Ezra 1 & 2.

•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, 2nd Floor A/C fund, VBS, Together We Build, Youth fund, Children/Preschool fund, Music Ministry, J & T, Texans on Mission, North American and International missionaries, and Samaritan's Purse, and Benevolent Ministries. 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 email address is gfbcfw@sbcglobal.net.

•Church Website—

If you have internet you can go to our website—<https://www.gfbcfw.org>—to find a lot 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 dumpster bills. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful. God bless you!



It's hot today. Temperatures reached 100 degrees or more, and with humidity, it feels much hotter. But that doesn't matter to Texans on Mission volunteers helping with flood recovery. Sweat dripping down their faces, they tear away at the water-soaked drywall, installation and flooring.

In Boerne, teams are working side-by-side on neighboring homes. One home belongs to a man who is physically handicapped. Another is his brother and caregiver. At each home, volunteers are removing damaged items and cleaning the homes, getting them ready for rebuilding.

Cleaning out flooded homes is no easy task.

Often, there is mud everywhere, including up

and down the walls – and sometimes sewage from overloaded pipes. Mud outs live up to its name: It's muddy and dirty. No matter the conditions, TXM volunteers are there to help those who need it most.



These volunteers are a few of the many mobilized to serve in Kerrville, Boerne and Uvalde after severe flooding left devastation in its wake. In June overflowing rivers caused rapid flash floods, forcing many people to flee their homes in search of higher ground. Others became stranded and needed rescuing.

Thankfully, there were not many deaths or severe injuries due to the floods. The widespread damage, is more severe than last year's July 4th flood to the same area. But through your support and prayers, volunteers are already making a difference.

The work requests continue to increase, and we will stay to help until the work is done. Many of these areas have been hit with back-to-back floods and are still recovering from the flood last year. Now, they must do it all over again. Having to walk through that kind of disaster again can be weary. Chaplains go with all teams serving. They are encouraging and praying with survivors while volunteers work on their homes. They remind them they are not forgotten. They show God's love in tangible ways.

Today's Scripture

Nahum 1:7—"The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him."

The Angry Powerful Good God*Nahum 1:1-7***The God Who Is Angry**

- -Nahum presented:
 - ⇒the God Who is _____
 - ⇒the God Who is _____
 - ⇒the God Who is _____
- It is not popular to ascribe anger or vengeance or wrath to _____.
- God gets angry at one thing: _____.
- Sin _____ the relationship a person has with God, and it makes Him angry.
- Only Jesus Christ _____ us from the wrath of God.

The God Who Is Powerful

- Nahum presented a vision of God where He is _____.
- God is the only Being Who is:
 - ⇒O _____
 - ⇒O _____
 - ⇒O _____
 - ⇒O _____
- God limits His power for our _____.
- God's power secures our _____.

The God Who Is Good

- God is only _____ and _____.
- Nahum says God is good immediately after explaining how _____ and _____ God is.
- God Who is good is in a category all by _____.
- Our _____ to God for protection and our _____ in Him are based on the foundation of His goodness.
- We can _____ God because He is only good.

Conclusion

- God does not _____ Himself.
- Our God is angry at _____.
- Our God is _____.
- Our God is only _____.
- This ANGRY, POWERFUL, GOOD God set in motion a plan for _____ for everyone who is a sinner.



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 Ky-lie 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 Dale; healing for Victor from cancer and



*Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our bread,
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever. Amen.*

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; for an unspoken need for Nick and for care and protection for his family; praises and prayers for Paige, Jacob and Stetson; blessings for Gennacie, Nick, RJ and Celeste; 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 came to our VBS; and for teachers and staff who lead them in all areas of their lives.

†Pray for our church—

pray for our ministers 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 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.

To live and let live is only half the meaning of "Thou shalt not kill." Positively, it means to live and help live.

—Charles Allen,
God's Psychiatry

Deny yourself and follow Christ, or deny Christ and follow yourself.

—Dallas Willard, *Life Without Lack*

Please Pray for the Children

Jesus, we continue to pray that children in our community will grow in their relationship with You. We pray that You will continue to break down walls that might prevent young hearts from receiving Your love. We pray that they will know Who You are as well as the overwhelming love You have for each and every one of them. May the impact of this year's VBS last them a lifetime.

