

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, August 26, 2026

The Church
With a Heart

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

August 30—September 6, 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...

Psalm 8:4-6—"What is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet."

God created people just a little lower than Himself for a purpose. He put people in charge of the world. Christians reveal their management skills by the percentage of resources they use for themselves, for citizenship and for kingdom work.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Opening Hymn:

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Before the Throne of God Above

SCRIPTURE: John 1:14

Thy Word

TIME OF GIVING

Stewardship Thought & Offering
Hymn 524

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Message: The Measure of What God Will Do

Zechariah 2:1-13 &
Revelation 21:1-4

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	\$ 925.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 60.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$ 985.00
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 92.50
Needed This Week for Budget	\$ 1,717.93

God at Work

Judges 6:17, "Gideon replied,..."
"Give me a sign that it is really you talking to me."

Jay owned a Gideon Bible, yet his analytical mind didn't permit him to accept its miracles. One thing haunted him, though: the genuine faith of his friend. So Jay offered a strange prayer. He told God, "If you want me to believe in You, then do something I can't explain."

One day, something drew Jay to look for his Bible. It was gone. How could that be? He never lost track of things.

He drove in the rain to his teaching job at the University of Zurich. Stepping out of his car, he spotted a Gideon Bible on the wet pavement. *That's strange*, he thought. Picking it up, he noticed the Bible was *totally dry* despite the rain. Something he couldn't explain!

Gideon Bibles are named for an Old Testament hero of Israel. When God chose Gideon to lead Israel into battle against a vast army, Gideon had huge doubts. He told God, "I will place a wool fleece on the threshing floor. If there is dew only on the fleece . . . , then I will know that you will save Israel by my hand" (Judges 6:37). God answered Gideon's challenge not once but twice (vv. 39-40).

Doubt-filled prayers aren't a pattern for us to follow. They can, however, reveal God's character. Gideon led a tiny army to a smashing victory (ch. 7). Jay put his faith in Jesus, recognizing that his prayer had been answered by a loving God who does things we can't explain.

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 Ezra 5.

★**Coming Soon: The Mary Hill Davis Mission Offering for Texas Missions**—September is the month we set aside to study about and give to state mission needs. The Week of Prayer is September 13-20th, but the emphasis will continue throughout the month of September.

•**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,

Today's Scripture
John 1:14—"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

"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 gfbf-fw@sbcglobal.net.

•**Church Website**—If you have internet you can go to our website—<https://www.gfbf-fw.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 @gfbf-fw 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 SBA loan, electric and janitorial bills. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful. God bless you!



WE'RE ON MISSION FOR CHRIST ... TOGETHER.

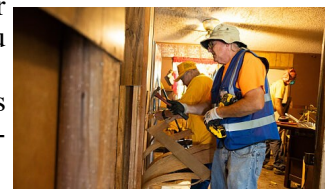
In a world full of pain and hurt, God calls His people to be beacons of light. Since 1967, Texans on Mission – historically called Texas Baptist Men – have sought to do just that by meeting needs and sharing God's love with millions of people during their most difficult days. Christian volunteers have served after hurricanes, tornadoes, fertilizer plant explosions, floods, a pandemic and more.

Texans on Mission volunteers walk alongside those who are suffering and change the world one act of ser-



vice and compassion at a time. By meeting crucial needs after a disaster, providing clean drinking water for people around the globe and undertaking construction projects, volunteers share God's love with hurting people in Texas, across the U.S. and around the world.

We've helped start and train disaster relief groups in all 50 states, giving birth to the third-largest disaster relief network in the nation. Matthew 25:35 highlights the deep connection between acts of compassion and the core of God's Kingdom. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." This verse underscores the idea



that serving others—especially those in need—is equivalent to serving Jesus Himself. It reflects a profound truth about God's heart for humanity, emphasizing that kindness, hospitality, and generosity are central to living out our faith. The passage challenges us to view every person we encounter as bearing the image of Christ, prompting us to engage with empathy and selflessness. Such acts of love are not merely charitable deeds; they are acts of worship, aligning our lives with God's will.



Prayer:
"Lord, thank You for calling us to be part of

Your mission. Open our hearts today to see how we can bring help, hope, and healing to those in need. Teach us to serve You faithfully in the small things. Amen."

The Measure of What God Will Do

Zechariah 2:1-13, Revelation 21:1-4

Measuring Jerusalem

- Zechariah's _____ - _____ was about measuring Jerusalem.
- Zechariah was not just an _____ as he asked a question of the man and got an answer.
- Whatever was going on in this vision had nothing to do with his _____, and everything to do with the _____.
- The future glory of Jerusalem is _____.

The Measure of Zion

- Zechariah's vision was not necessarily focusing on _____ - _____ Jerusalem.
- God was preparing His people for

_____ and _____ - _____.

- Whenever we see "_____" in the Scriptures, we should take note that _____ truths are being presented in a mighty way.
- God gave Zechariah a vision that anyone in the world who believes in God _____ to _____.

Conclusion

- Zechariah had a series of _____ symbolic "_____" visions.
- The promise of a _____ - _____ Jerusalem being built has its foundation in Jesus.
- See all that God has planned for you when you believe in _____.



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 Lisa's upcoming surgery; 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 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;



*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 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 need for Nick and for care and protection for his family; protection for Teresa while she is at sea; 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; for comfort for JerriAnn in the loss of her husband, Carlos; and for Shannon and Allison's relationship.

†Pray for the Children—

Please pray for the children and youth in our church; 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.

“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.”

—Isaiah 43:2

“Your hardest Sunday might be someone else's first Sunday. Show up anyway.”

—Unknown

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.

