

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

The Church

With a Heart

Sunday, January 18, 2026

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

January 18—24, 2026

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Annual Business Meeting	12:00 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

Stewardship Thought...

Genesis 1:28-30—"God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule of the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.' ... 'I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts over the earth and all the birds of the air and all the creatures that move on the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.' And it was so."

When God created people, He had already provided for their every need. God put people in charge of the world to manage it for Him. We are also stewards of the gospel; giving to preach the gospel is a part of our management responsibility.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Opening: How Majestic Is Your Name
Hymn 29

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wonderful Words of Life Hymn 261

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 10:22

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name
Hymn 37

TIME OF GIVING

Offering*

Without Him Hymn 300

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Message: A Majestic Commitment

1 Peter 2:9 Bro. Oscar

CLOSING PRAYER

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

January Birthdays

Alice Jackson	1/20
Xander Leonard	1/04
Quantia Mathis	1/01
Betty Morton	1/23
Carmon Rike	1/10
Dale Seigler	1/25
Asia Venious	1/01

Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 1,030.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 73.50
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$ 1,103.50
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 103.00
Needed This Week for Budget	\$ 739.35

Knowing and Loving Others

2 Corinthians 2:4, "I wrote you . . . to let you know the depth of my love for you."

Hippocrates (ca. 460–375 BC) brought medicine out of the realm of the superstitious and into the light of testing and observation. But he didn't lose sight of the patient's humanity. "It is far more important to know what person the disease has," he said, "than what disease the person has."

The apostle Paul cared for a church with multiple problems, yet he saw the humanity of each member—including a man who'd committed a sin "that even pagans do not tolerate" (1 Corinthians 5:1). Paul dealt strongly with the "disease," and the man repented. Now, as he wrote another letter to the church in Corinth, Paul had affirming instructions for all of them. He recognized that this man's sin had affected everyone: "He has grieved all of you to some extent," he said (2 Corinthians 2:5). But since the man had turned from his sin, Paul said, "Reaffirm your love for him" (v. 8).

His motivation was clear: "I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you" (v. 4). He knew them all. And he loved them.

Sin affects us all. Behind each sin is a human being. When we've been wronged, it may be difficult to work toward restoration, yet that's what God calls us to do. Know the person. Then, in Christ's strength, love them.

Announcements...

- Giving Records**—If you still need a copy of your giving records, please ask Annie or Rachel.
- 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 6:00pm. This week, the study begins in 2 Chronicles 30.
- Annual All-church Business Meeting**—TODAY. Please stay for maybe 30 minutes or so today after church.
- VBS—Already—Yes**, we'll have a Kick-Off for this year's VBS in just three weeks! (2/8/26)
- 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.
- 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, Samaritan'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@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!

•**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 Fire Extinguisher, copier and Life-Way bills. How can you help?

Today's Scripture

Matthew 10:22—"You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved."

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Praise the Lord, you were able to give another \$25, bringing us to a total of \$1,315.00. If anyone else feels led to give toward the LMCO, it's never too late!



Dear Friends,

As a nation our sins are so great. We have increasingly turned our backs on God and His commands, embracing godless secularism. We need to ask His forgiveness and seek His face. Pray for our leaders, and pray that God would bring calm to our streets. Ask God to use His Church to be His instruments of peace in this time of great uncertainty. Let's humble ourselves. Let's give God the glory for this great nation and thank Him for His hand of blessing, protection, and mercy.

Sincerely,

Franklin Graham
President, Samaritan's Purse



Friends,

As we move into a new year, we know opportunities to serve will continue to arise. Disasters of all kinds can strike without warning, but we also know the strength of a body united in Christ. When each of us offers our gifts, our time and our compassion, God weaves it together into something powerful—help, hope and healing for those who need it most.

Right now, churches in Uganda are exploding with growth as a result of Texans on Mission Water Impact efforts. Each time we start a Bible study in a community, another one starts. They are hungry for the Word of God and excited to share the Gospel with their friends, neighbors and villages. We have a critical need for people to help lead more pastors in Uganda.

Whatever 2026 brings, my prayer is that we stay rooted in Christ and ready for His work. Thank you for being an essential part of Texans on Mission. We look forward to continuing to serve with you in the year ahead.

Mickey Lenamon
Chief Executive Officer
Texans on Mission

A Majestic Commitment

*1 Peter 2:9, Luke 14:25-33,
Revelation 2:8-10, Matthew 10:16-22*

Commitment

- Since commitment can be hard, we should be careful to what we commit ourselves.
- The Christian life is a life of commitment.
- Understanding Christian commitment requires understanding what the Bible has to say about the Christian life.
- There is not a single vers in the Scriptures that we can study and say, "This is what Christian commitment means."

Discipleship

- The Christian life is a commitment to being Jesus' disciple.
- Discipleship involves discipline and structure.
- Jesus' call is always a call to discipleship.
- Jesus' disciples are granted things that no one else is.

Faithfulness

- Faithfulness is about a life of faith and keeping the Faith.
- Faithfulness is about staying true to the teachings of the Word of God.
- We live the Christian life because we believe, and not because we are under

some sort of obligation.

- The rewards of the Kingdom are given to those who are faithful.

Endurance

- Endurance means that over the course of our Christian walk, we have developed staying power.
- The idea of "endurance" in the New Testament is that we stay committed when everyone else turns back.
- Endurance means you stay, you last, and you endure in it all and through it all.

Conclusion

- Those who endure will be saved in the end.
- Christian commitment means endurance.
- Commitment to Christ and His Kingdom is a commitment that is revealed in our discipleship, our faithfulness, and our endurance.

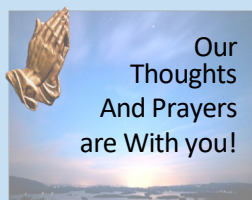


Remember in Prayer . . .



†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; continued healing for Tony from cancer & broken ribs; for Lori—just diagnosed with stage 4 cancer; for healing for Ben's mother and strength for Ben as he cares for her; 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 surgery; Laura Thompson's vision loss; for Amy from surgery; healing for Tonya from neurological issues and loss of mobility; 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 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 and 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 came 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.

†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 mis-

sionaries 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 will receive them.

Prayer Works!

Prayer Requests & Announcements

You may email new prayer needs, announcements, edits and deletions to gfbcfw@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.