

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, April 5, 2026

The Church
With a Heart 

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

April 5—11, 2026

Sunday School 9:45 am
Worship 11:00 am
Int. Harvest Church 1:30 pm

Easter Blessings

Mid-Week

FB/YouTube Bible Study

Wednesday

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

Stewardship Thought...

2 Corinthians 8:9—“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.”

Paul reminded the Corinthians that the resurrection of Jesus Christ should motivate Christians to give. Easter is about God's giving. Paul remembered the first Easter season when Jesus gave up His richness to become poor for our sakes.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Christ Arose

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Hymn 161

SCRIPTURE: Luke 24:6a

At the Name of Jesus

TIME OF GIVING

Stewardship thought & AAEO Movie
Offering*

Glorious Day

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Message: Easter

Matthew 28:1-10

Bro. Oscar

CLOSING PRAYER

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

April Birthdays

Paige Godwin	4/23
Lisa Maroney	4/18
Becky Pruitt	4/30
Aaliyah Smith	4/6



Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 467.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 319.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$ 786.00
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 46.70
Needed This Week for Budget	\$ 414.84

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

The Best Evidence

God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. Acts 2:32

Lee didn't believe in God, and he didn't believe in the resurrection of Jesus. But Lee was a journalist with an analytical mind. When his wife believed in Jesus, he decided to study her new faith for himself. After two years of research, he gave in—to God, to the resurrection, to faith in Christ.

The change in him was noticeable. After a few months, his five-year-old daughter said to his wife, “Mommy, I want God to do for me what he's done for Daddy.” And the daughter of Lee Strobel put her faith in Jesus too.

Many people refuse to believe in the resurrection. But reputable eyewitnesses saw the risen Jesus. One of those eyewitnesses, the disciple Peter, told a large crowd that King David was certainly dead and buried (Acts 2:29). Then Peter pointed to a prophecy David had made. “[David] spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah,” he said (v. 31). Peter concluded, “God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it” (v. 32).

The best evidence for the resurrection is the changed lives of the eyewitnesses, including Peter. At the crucifixion, the disciples had gone into hiding. Peter actually denied Christ (John 18:15-17, 25-27). Once they saw Jesus alive, everything changed. Filled with courage, they began to share the truth of the one great hope of the world—the risen Christ.

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 36.

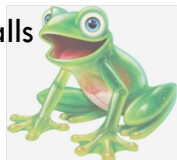
•**Next Important Date:** Mother's Day, May 10th! Did you know that Mother's Day is always on the second Sunday in May, and did you know that Father's Day is always on the third Sunday in June? So, what is the date for the next Father's Day?

•**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.

•**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, Together 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.

•**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!

•**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 bill. How can you help? Please just pray, trust God and be faithful. God bless you!

Today's Scripture
Luke 24:6a—"He is not here; He has risen!"



I want to apologize to everyone for leaving out our prayer guides and AAEO envelopes last week. As you see, they are included in this week inside our bulletins. The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is important because it helps missionaries in North America share the gospel of Jesus Christ in North America. As a bonus, this week I have included a word search. It "should" be easy to find and circle the words from the word bank below and then pray that God will bless and multiply the gifts given to the offering.

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WORD BANK

Annie Armstrong	Missionary
Bible	Missions
Church	North America
Gospel	Offering
Jesus	Prayer

Remember every cent given to the AAEO goes into the mission field to provide needs for the needs of our missionaries.



Easter Sunday *Matthew 28:1-10*

False Testimony

- The Jewish leaders testified to Jesus' _____, because He was considered a _____, trouble making **activist**.
- _____ testified to Jesus' guilt because he **feared trouble** from the Jews.
- _____ testified to Jesus' guilt because, in his eyes, Jesus **was** guilty.

More False Testimony

- The _____ testified to Jesus' guilt, because as far as they were concerned, he was a **criminal** and **deserved** to be crucified.
- Jesus' _____ testified to His guilt, because if Jesus was wrong, then He must have been wrong all along.
- _____

to Jesus' guilt because **popular opinion** decided that Jesus was guilty.

Good Friday

- For the **two days** that Jesus lay in the tomb, the disciples feared that everything He had _____ and everything He had _____ would be **forgotten**.
- On Good Friday, a flawed _____ led to several flawed _____.
- Rules and regulations were **flaunted**, _____ and _____ in order for Jesus to be found guilty and to guarantee that He would die.

Testimonies to Jesus' Innocence

- Regardless of what he had done in the garden, _____ **knew**, in his **heart**, that Jesus was innocent.
- _____ may have given in to the pressure of Caiaphas and his cohorts, but he **knew** in his **heart**



that Jesus was innocent.

- _____ knew that Jesus had done **nothing** that deserved death.
- The _____ on the cross knew that Jesus was **innocent**.
- Even the _____ who executed Jesus testified to His **innocence**.

Empty Tomb Testified To Jesus' Innocence

- The miracle of Easter is that the _____ testified to Jesus' innocence.
- If Jesus was **guilty** and **dead**, then why was He not still in the _____?
- Because **Jesus rose** on Easter day, _____ later **120 Christians** were filled with the Holy Spirit and _____ was **proven right**.
- Our _____ may fail us, and our _____ may disap-

point us, but **Christianity** will not be **kept down**.

Conclusion

- Jesus was _____ on Palm Sunday; He was _____ on Good Friday and He was _____ on Easter Sunday.
- When Jesus **won over death**, He offered us the _____ to **win over death**.
- Jesus Christ **won on Calvary** for one reason and one reason only, and that was to give us the **opportunity** to have _____.



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 Dale as he cares for her; for Cliff and Stacey's Gennacie who is having poor health, and for Sharon as she cares for them; for Kevin to heal from health issues for Bill; for pancreatitis; healing for Alice to continue healing; Herbert, Barbara and Kitty; healing for a growth for JerriAnn and Carlos on Ashlyn's brain; for who was recently diagnosed with stage 4 cancer; continued healing for Tony Paige and Kristie's from cancer & broken ribs; for 5-yr-old Lexus for kidney and other complications; 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; for Oscar A, Robert and Annie, Nora and Doyle; for John's head and memory; for healing for Tonya from traumatic brain injury and surgery; Laura Thompson's vision loss; Frank's hip and back to heal; for Susen's eyes, stomach and feet. for Carmon from her fall & hip surgery; for Gwen from pancreatic cancer and for



†Miscellaneous praises and prayer needs—

Please pray for an unspoken request for Becky; 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 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 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.

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 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 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.

"Easter says you can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there."
— **Clarence W. Hall**

"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime"
— **Martin Luther**