

# Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

The Church

With a Heart

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

June 15—21, 2025

Sunday School 9:45 am

Worship Service 11:00 am

Int. Harvest Church 1:30 pm

No Activities this Evening

**Happy Fathers Day!**

### Mid-Week

FB/YouTube Bible Study

### Wednesday

Bible Study 6:00 pm

Praise Team 7:00 pm

Coming Very, Very Soon



Online registration is OPEN

## Stewardship Thought...

**1 Timothy 5:8**—"If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."

**Fathers are to be responsible for managing the affairs of their families. Providing the material necessities for one's family is as much a part of Christian stewardship as giving to God. But providing for one's family and giving to God should be kept in balance.**

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## Worship Service

### TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

### TIME TO GATHER

I Sing the Mighty Power of God  
Hymn 42

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

I Will Bless the Lord

**SCRIPTURE: Psalm 68:5**

The Longer I Serve Him

### TIME OF GIVING

Offering\*

Awesome In This Place

Solo

### TIME IN GOD'S WORD

**Message: Fathers Who Father**

Ephesians 6:4

Bro. Oscar

### CLOSING PRAYER

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

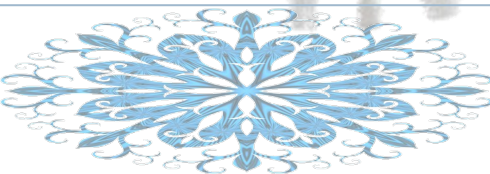
## June Birthdays

Herbert Jackson 6/15

Tina Koellmann 6/05

Analysa Ramirez 6/19

Dale Robertson 6/05



## Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget \$ 2,405.00

Designated Offerings \$ 31.00

TOTAL OFFERINGS \$ 2,436.00

10% Taken out for Missions \$ 240.50

**Needed This Week for Budget \$1,339.61**

## Hopeless Cases

Isaiah 44:23, "Sing for joy, you heavens, for the Lord has done this; . . . the Lord has redeemed Jacob."

The situation looked hopeless for Amy and Alan's infant daughter Jem. Born with a condition called trisomy-18, she was expected to die within days or weeks. "There's no point in treating her," the doctor said coldly. But her mother said, "I have bigger dreams for her." They took Jem home and loved her. And they prayed.

Six years later, Jem needed surgery to remove a large tumor that had been found. Then—the same doctor walked in. "I know what you're thinking," he said, "but I'm asking you for a second chance." He admitted he'd been wrong about Jem. "I'd like a chance at redemption," he said. Amy and Alan might have said no. But they understood the power of God's forgiveness.

The Old Testament prophets often carried a message of God's judgment. But woven throughout that message is the irrepressible theme of God's love, forgiveness, and redemption. Isaiah pointed out Judah's sins (44:6-20) but suddenly shifted focus. Speaking God's words, he said, "Return to me, for I have redeemed you" (v. 22). God's character wouldn't permit Him to abandon His people. "I have made you," He said, "I will not forget you" (v. 21). The conclusion: "Sing for joy, you heavens, for the Lord has done this; . . . the Lord has redeemed Jacob" (v. 23).

Jem's surgery found no tumor. "A miracle!" said the doctor. The power of prayer. The power of our redeeming God.

# Announcements...

## •Mid-Week Activities—Bible

**Study**—EVERYONE is invited to join us for mid-week Bible studies on YouTube prior to Wednesday and at church on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. This week our study will begin in 1 Chronicles 2 .

## •VBS is almost HERE!—YAY! VBS



is getting closer! Our VBS dates are actually June 23 through 27. Our Family Activities Day will be Saturday, the 28th and VBS Sunday will be on the 29th. Remember our **VBS is FREE!** Please have friends go online and register.

## •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 our 2025 VBS, Operation Christmas Child (OCC), Children/Preschool fund, Youth fund, Sharing the Load, new A/C fund, Together We Build, Benevolent Ministries, Music Ministry, North American and IM-B/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 Zelle. The

## Today's Scripture

**Psalm 68:5**—"A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling."

church's Zelle address is [gfbcfw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gfbcfw@sbcglobal.net). Please do not make donations through PayPal.

•**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, VBS registration, 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!

•**Toiletry Items for the Homeless**—Since the homeless are always in need, please continue to collect travel-size toiletry items, and bring them to 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 pest control, gas, AT&T, copier bills, and copywrite license. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful.



PART THREE

As you learned last week through Texans on Mission (TXM), we have opportunities for you to live on mission with Christ in 2025. You can serve God by:

- Meeting needs in His name
- Sharing the Gospel
- Building up the body of Christ

Whether serving locally or on the other side of the world, there's an opportunity for you to share God's

love. Is He calling you to work on a Feeding Team, a Builders Project or on a Mission Trip? Or perhaps, He is calling you to minister at home.

## SERVE AT YOUR CHURCH

### Gold-to-Gold Bracelets:



Share the Gospel in Uganda without ever getting on a plane. Put together bracelets that TXM Water Impact will use to share the Gospel with every person a water well serves.

### Assemble First Step Kits:



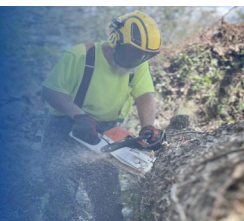
First Step Kits are hygiene bags that meet basic needs for struggling people who have lost everything in the wake of a tornado, hurricane or one of life's other disasters. Assemble First Step Kits and help families take a first step out of the most difficult days of their lives.

### Write Messages of Hope



After a disaster, Texans on Mission Disaster Relief teams provide boxes and packing paper for people to use to pick up their belongings. Our packing paper includes handwritten and hand-drawn prayers, encouragement and inspiration from people like you. Send encouragement and hope with a simple message.

**LIVE ON MISSION WITH CHRIST**  
in 2025



## Operation Christmas Child

Grace Fellowship still needs your help to collect enough funds to pack and send boxes for 100 children.

Please pray about giving to this year's OCC.



**Fathers Who Father***Ephesians 6:4***Provoking Children**

•Fathers are to avoid anything that will eventually \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of their children.

•Children are commanded by God to honor their parents so when a parent provokes them to wrath, they are causing them to break the \_\_\_\_\_.

•When a father provokes his children he is guilty before God for disobeying \_\_\_\_\_ and also doubly guilty for causing his children to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Common Mistakes**

•Common ways fathers can exasperate their children:

⇒ Over\_\_\_\_\_

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⇒ E\_\_\_\_\_ D\_\_\_\_\_

⇒ H\_\_\_\_\_

⇒ A\_\_\_\_\_

**Expectations**

•What fathers are required to do:

⇒ Fathers are called to “\_\_\_\_\_” because they will not get there by themselves.

⇒ Fathers are to d\_\_\_\_\_ their children, because to not do so proves you do not \_\_\_\_\_ them.

⇒ Fathers are to \_\_\_\_\_ their children, but only after we are living it out in our own lives.

⇒ Fathers are to bring their children up to know that the path of sin is a \_\_\_\_\_, and the only way to be saved and satisfied is through our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ.



## Conclusion

- Our mandate is to develop children who seek to \_\_\_\_\_ God with their lives.
- There is no way to father in your own \_\_\_\_\_.
- Satan is at \_\_\_\_\_ with your family, and he will do all he can to take you down along with your \_\_\_\_\_.
- Three things to remember:
  - ⇒ There are no \_\_\_\_\_ fathers, except our Heavenly Father.
  - ⇒ You will be a better father if you fully \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and allow Him to work through you.
  - ⇒ You can not father \_\_\_\_\_.





# 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 continued strength and healing for Alice to heal quickly; for health issues for Bill and for his concern for Alice; for continued healing for Tony from cancer & surgery; for Mark H. from cancer; for wisdom for Amy and healing from breast cancer; for healing for Tonya from neurological issues and loss of mobility; for Frank's hip to heal; for Cliff Denney's health; for Kevin to heal from pancreatitis; for healing for Herbert, Barbara and Kitty; for healing for a growth on Ashlyn's brain; for



Paige and Kristie's health issues; for healing for Virgie as well as Rose E; healing for Carmon; for Oscar A; for Robert and Annie, Nora and Doyle; for John's head and memory; for Donna's vein procedures to heal quickly; for Laura's vision and memory issues; for Susen's eyes & feet; and for Susen's niece, Stacey.

†Miscellaneous praises and prayer needs—Please pray for an unspoken request for Becky; for David's unspoken requests; praises and prayers for Paige, Jacob and Stetson; for an unspoken need for Nick; for an un-

spoken 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, their needs for God's guidance, and for Andrew's daughter; for Paige and Brian, Carla and Tony as they continue to learn how 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 family needs; and for Shannon and Alison's relationship.

†Pray for the Children— Continue praying for children, youth and teachers now and throughout next year.

†Pray for our church—for our pastors and their families; for REVIVAL among our members; for our ministries, financial needs, 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 missionaries they are supporting.

†Pray for wisdom, peace and protection in our nation—for North American missionaries; for Texans on Mission and their ministries, especially in Texas, Okla-

homa, Missouri and Pittsburgh; for first responders and those who have suffered loss from various disasters; for thousands



who have lost homes; 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; for our government officials to pass wise laws.

†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 the peace agreement in Israel; for the situation in Ukraine to be resolved; for Burmese Christians who have been affected by the earthquake in Myanmar; and for other Christians, missionaries and refugees who are suffering from persecution in Taiwan, N. Korea, India, Africa, Viet Nam, China, Russia, Turkey and others.



## 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.