

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, July 19, 2026

The Church
With a Heart

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

July 19—25, 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...

Philippians 1:3-5—"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."

Planned growth in giving for each one of us is one way to become a more active partner in helping Southern Baptists accomplish the mission of reaching every person in the world with the gospel.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Opening Hymn: Magnify Jesus
Praise Team

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Like A River Glorious Hymn 58

SCRIPTURE: Amos 5:24
In His Time Hymn 53

TIME OF GIVING

Stewardship Thought & Offering
I Give You My Heart Bro. Bill

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

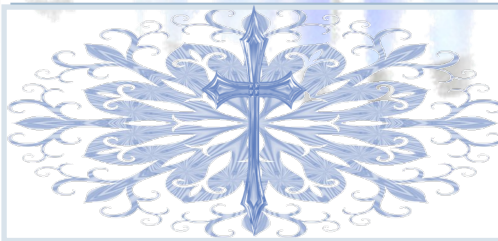
Message: Idle Songs Amos 5:21-24
and 6:4-8 Bro. Oscar

CLOSING PRAYER

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

July Birthdays

Craig Ezell 7/22
Eddie Venious 7/26



Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 700.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 61.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$ 761.00
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 70.00
Needed This Week for Budget	\$ 901.89

The Holy Grail

Matthew 26:28, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

For centuries, people have been fascinated by the Holy Grail—the cup Jesus drank from at the Last Supper. The legends surrounding King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table detail their obsession over the search for the cup. They believed it had magical powers. In film, Indiana Jones and his father, Henry, fulfilled Henry's lifelong pursuit of the Grail.

While this makes for fascinating storytelling, the truth is much more straightforward. The cup itself has no special powers. The real power is found in what it represents. Matthew describes the scene in the upper room the night before Jesus went to the cross: "Then [Jesus] took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins'" (26:27-28). The cup is a picture of the blood that Jesus would shed on our behalf.

John the Baptist introduced Jesus as "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29). Hebrews 9:22 tells us, "Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness." And Paul wrote that Christ himself is "our Passover lamb" (1 Corinthians 5:7). Jesus paid the penalty for our sins. How thankful we are for the shed blood of our Savior, the Lamb!

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 the book of Ezra.

•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 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 copier and electric bills. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful. God bless you!



Military Couples Find Healing After War's Wounds

For years after deployments on foreign battlefields or other military service, many veterans face daily battles with pain, grief, and loss. Many struggle with physical wounds and many more suffer from less-visible wounds from military service, includ-

ing post-traumatic stress, moral injury, and survivor's guilt. These veterans often carry memories of friends they lost or of traumatic events experienced during routine operations and high-stress environments. Their spouses carry those burdens alongside them.

In 2012, Samaritan's Purse started Operation Heal Our Patriots to address the epidemic of crumbling marriages among combat veterans. We fly couples to Alaska where they can find space—away from the distractions of everyday life—for a fresh start. Over their week of marriage resiliency training led by veteran chaplains, they grow closer to each other and meet other couples in similar situations. At each step, they hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.

When Johnny Montoya returned home from multiple military deployments, he hated the world. His Marine service left him disabled. He drank heavily. He and his wife, Shannon, grew further apart. In 2013, he attempted suicide. Johnny knew he needed help, so he and Shannon applied to Operation Heal Our Patriots and attended our marriage enrichment program the following year in Alaska.

At our wilderness lodge, God began working in Johnny's and Shannon's hearts. Shannon rededicated her life to the Lord, while Johnny remained skeptical. But God kept pursuing him—and Johnny surrendered his life to Jesus Christ. "I love everybody now," Johnny said. "I will never go back to who I was, because Jesus' light will never burn out."

FAST FORWARD

"Now God has placed our whole family in ministry, and we're thankful we get to serve together. Operation Heal Our Patriots has created so many disciples, and veterans are now helping other veterans. God is doing so much and we're honored to be a part of it."

—Shannon Montoya

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

—2 Corinthians 5:17

Today's Scripture

Amos 5:24—"But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!"

Idle Songs Amos 5:21-24, 6:4-8**Worship**

- There was a difference between the way the _____ saw worship and the way _____ saw it.
- A big part of worship for Israel was focusing on God in their _____ - _____.
- There were _____ different offerings the people of God used in worship:
 - ⇒ _____ offerings
 - ⇒ _____ and drink offerings
 - ⇒ _____ and free will offerings
 - ⇒ _____ offerings
 - ⇒ _____ offerings
- _____ or _____ - _____ were a big part of worship for the Israelites.

Preparation

- The Israelites wanted to _____ while they did worshipful things.

- The Israelites were _____ - _____ and _____ at certain times, but God was not pleased.
- God was angry with His people for _____ they were treating Him.
- God was _____ and would not _____ their sinfulness anymore.

Worship As God Sees It

- The people of God were worshipping, but they _____ justice.
- The lack of _____ and _____ impacted the Israelite's worship.
- God saw that His people were _____, and they lacked r_____.
- Amos let the people know they _____ humility.
- Worship involves focus and devotion to God in our _____ and in our _____.



Conclusion

- Both _____ and _____ -
_____ are important
when we relate to God in worship.
- God does not want _____ sac-
rifices motivated by f_____,
h_____, or _____ loyalty.
- We should **attend worship** ser-
vices on a regular basis..., because

_____!
- We should give **tithes** and **offer-**
ings on a regular basis..., because

_____!



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 in 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 Tiffa-

ny; 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.

"As no darkness can be seen by anyone surrounded by light, so no trivialities can capture the attention of anyone who has his eyes on Christ."

— St. Gregory of Nyssa

"A man who walks with God always gets to his destination." — Henrietta Mears

Please Pray for VBS

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 ask that the truth of who You will continue to sink deep into their hearts. We pray that they know who You are and the overwhelming, joyful love You have for each and every one of them. May the impact of VBS last a lifetime.

