

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, September 6, 2026

The Church
With a Heart

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

September 6—12, 2026

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Church Council	12:15 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

Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Opening Hymn: Refiner's Fire *with*
Holy Spirit, Rain Down

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trust and Obey Hymn 447

SCRIPTURE: Haggai 1:5

Great and Mighty

TIME OF GIVING

Stewardship Thought & Offering
In Times Like These

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

**Message: The Consequences of
Spiritual Apathy** *Haggai 1:6-11*
Bro. Oscar

Closing Prayer

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

September Birthdays

Amayah Jackson	9/16
Brenda Maroney	9/11
Gracie Ramirez	9/06
Chastity Stewart	9/29

Stewardship Thought...

John 14:6—"I am the way,
and the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father
except through me."

This year's theme, Speak
Jesus" is intended to guide
churches and individuals in
practical ways of "speaking
Jesus" through the minis-
tries supported by the Mary
Hill Davis® State Mission
Offering.

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Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget \$ 2,407.40

Designated Offerings \$ 2,020.50

TOTAL OFFERINGS \$ 4,427.90

10% Taken out for Missions \$ 240.74

Needed This Week for Budget \$ 485.92

A Marriage Observed

Ephesians 4:32, "Be kind and compas-
sionate to one another, forgiving each
other."

Of all United States presidents,
Jimmy Carter had the longest mar-
riage. He and his wife Rosalyn were
married for seventy-seven years.
When Carter was asked the secret to
his long, successful marriage, he re-
plied, "Choose the right person to
marry." Beyond that, he named three
other concepts for marital success: re-
conciliation, communication, and devo-
tion to faith.

We see the idea of *reconcilia-
tion* in Ephesians 4:26: "Do not let the
sun go down while you are still angry."
The Carters took this seriously. "Every
night, we try to make sure we're com-
pletely reconciled from all the argu-
ments during the day," Jimmy once
said. We can also see the secret to
Christlike *communication* in Ephesians
4. Paul wrote, "Be kind and compas-
sionate to one another, forgiving each
other, just as in Christ God forgave
you" (v. 32).

God ordained marriage as
something good—something estab-
lished by Him (Genesis 2:24; Hebrews
13:4). Proverbs 18:22 says that mar-
riage is a divine blessing: "He who
finds a wife finds what is good and
receives favor from the Lord." And the
way we treat one another, in mar-
riage and in the entire body of Christ,
can encourage and positively affect
others. Whether we're single or mar-
ried, our words and actions can truly
reflect the loving, forgiving heart of
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 will begin in Ezra 8.

•**Church Council Meeting**—The council is scheduled to meet today following the morning worship service.

★ **Mary Hill Davis Mission Offering for Texas Missions**

The emphasis for the Mary Hill Davis (MHD) Offering begins today and continues throughout the month. The Week of Prayer will be September 13-20th. For your convenience, we will provide offering envelopes and prayer guides.

•**Sam's Club Membership**—It's the time of year to renew our membership with Sam's Club. The cost is \$55, and each person gets to add one household member. If you would like to be included, please notify Susen by the end of today.

•**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, 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, "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 make our water bill and building security payment and set aside remaining funds for the A/C. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful. God bless you!



Mary Hill Davis Offering® for Texas Missions

Understanding that missions is what believers do to reach beyond the needs of their congregations to witness and minister for the purpose of fulfilling the Great Commission, The Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) of Texas designed the Mary Hill Davis (MHD) Offering® to advance Texas Baptists missions. For over eighty-five years, the MHD Offering for Texas Missions® has empowered state missions efforts for Texas Baptists. Through our gifts, Texas Baptists ministries and missionaries are mobilized to make disciples and multiply churches among all people for the glory of God.

The Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions® was named for the woman who had led Baptist women of Texas to pray for and give to missions efforts in Texas. Behind every dollar given to the Mary Hill Davis Offering® are real, life-transforming stories of faith, restoration, and hope across Texas. Mary Hill Davis served as the WMU of Texas President from 1906-1931. Mary's heart for missions and people was evident in everything she did, and in 1935, the State Missions Offering was renamed the Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions®.

This year's theme, "**Speak Jesus,**" calls believers to share hope with a hurting world, inspired by Jesus' words in John 14:6: "*I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*" The theme is intended to guide churches and individuals in practical ways of "speaking Jesus" through the ministries supported by the offering.

By partnering together with other like-minded churches, our gifts sustain WMU of Texas ministries and equip Texas Baptists to send out both ministries and missionaries, providing opportunities for more people to hear the Gospel, find hope in Christ, and develop a missional lifestyle.

Today's Scripture

Haggai 1:5—"Now this is what the Lord Almighty says: "Give careful thought to your ways."

The Consequences of Spiritual Apathy*Haggai 1:6-11***Relationship With God Was Marred**

- The people's _____ with God was marred.
- God referred to Haggai's self-centered, ungrateful, worldly-minded, spiritually apathetic contemporaries as _____ people, not _____ people.
- The sin of the people resulted in a M_____, a breakdown in their special _____ with God.
- God no longer addressed them in g_____, l_____ affectionate tones.

A Christian's Relationship with God

- When a person is born again of God's Holy Spirit, God becomes their F_____ and they become His _____.
- When a believer sins and refuses to c_____, their relationship with God is adversely affected.

- The relationship becomes marred as a result of _____.
- Until you c_____ your sin and truly r_____ of it, your relationship with God will remain marred.

Blessing of God Is Withheld

- God's people were dependent upon good h_____.
- The people had sown profusely and with great expectation, but all their labor was in _____.
- What formerly had bought luxuries now had to be used to pay for the bare n_____ of life.
- God withheld His b_____ from them because of their _____.

God's Punishment

- God had warned His people He would remove His b_____ from them and send them hard times if they s_____ against Him.
- The people became in_____ - _____ to God and to His work.
- The adverse circumstances the people



faced were a direct consequence of their _____.

- _____ with His people in real, practical and observable ways.

God Who Controls

- God delights to pour out b_____ - _____ upon His children.
- When God's people become s_____ - c_____ and w_____ - _____ minded, putting themselves and their _____ interests first, He often responds by actively pursuing a chastening policy against them.
- Sometimes God has to chasten us in order to get us to take time out and r_____ our p_____ - _____ in life.
- Sometimes God will withhold blessings in order to make us _____ about our s_____ condition.

Conclusion

- God calls His people to give serious _____ to what is happening to them.

- Has God been _____ to some of you in this way.

• "Whom the Lord _____ He chastens."

- It is not p_____ when God chastens His people.



Remember in Prayer . . .

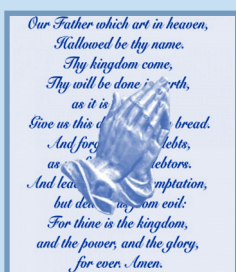


†Each week, please read through and update our prayer requests. Let Susen know if we need to keep praying for something or if the prayer has been answered.

†Please pray for strength and total healing

for Kylie from cancer; for health issues for Bill and Alice; for Lisa's upcoming surgery and for additional surgeries she will need; for continued healing for Robert and Annie, Nora and Doyle; for John's head and memory; for Laura's vision and memory issues; and 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 Nic 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 healing for Celeste; for an unspoken prayer for Donna; for an unspoken need for Tiffany; for an unspoken need for Richard; for Jim and his



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,

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 unity in the Maroney family and for Jourdeah's best interest; 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 to grow.

†Pray for the Children—

Please pray for the children and youth in our church; and for parents, 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 leader 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 (NAMB) missionaries; for Texans on Mission and their works; for Jonny as he speaks with students and prepares messages for revival and other churches; for Taylor who just lost her grandmother and uncle soon after second baby, a boy, was born; 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. Especially be in prayer for our president to make wise decisions when it comes to other nations such as Canada; pray for wisdom for us this fall in choosing the right leaders.

†**Pray for Peace Among the Nations**—for our International missionaries;

for a peace agreement in Israel and the Middle East; for the situation in Ukraine to be resolved; for Burmese Christians in Myanmar; for the situation between North and South Korea; for Samaritan's Purse as they minister to hurting people in the U.S. and around the world; 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.

"A Bible that's falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't."

—author unknown

"Let your faith be a light that guides you through the darkest of times."

—unknown author

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 past year's VBS last them a lifetime.

