

THIS WEEK AT GRACE
November 22—28, 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	7:15 pm

Stewardship Thought...

2 Corinthians 9:11—*"Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means."*

Being thankful to God for all His blessings shapes our lives. Thankful people please God. Giving is the response of a thankful heart, and it produces thanksgiving from people who benefit from our giving.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER
Opening: No Other Name But Jesus — Praise Team

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Set My Soul Afire — Hymn 573
SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 16:18
Here Am I Send Me — Hymn 597

TIME OF GIVING
Stewardship Thought & Offering*
When He Reached Down His Hand for Me — Praise Team

TIME IN GOD'S WORD
Message: Blinded By Pride
Judges 16:4-21 — **Bro. Oscar**

Closing Prayer

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

November Birthdays

Carson Fraire	11/29
Danielle McCarville	11/09
Shane McCarville	11/11
Jered Newman	11/18
Nic Ramirez	11/19
Shanterral Venious	11/12

Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	$	628.00
Designated Offerings	$	77.50
TOTAL OFFERINGS	$	705.50
10% Taken out for Missions	$	62.80
Needed This Week for Budget	**$**	**795.00**

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

Give While We Live

Joshua 15:19, *"Since you have given me land in the Negev, give me also springs of water."*

With his team winning comfortably, Philadelphia Eagles' superstar football player Saquon Barkley rested on the bench. There was no need for him to continue playing. Then his coach approached and told him he was close to breaking a record. Would he like to go back in? "I'm good," said Barkley. "I'd rather see the young boys eat." Barkley chose to give up a record so his young teammates could get playing time.

When Israel inhabited the promised land, Caleb was one of only two Israelites to survive the exodus all the way from Egypt (see Numbers 14:30). He'd enjoyed military success and had driven out an enemy nation (Joshua 15:14). Now, as he faced a Canaanite stronghold, he said, "I will give my daughter Aksah in marriage to the man who attacks and captures Kiriath Sepher" (v. 16). Othniel did so, and Aksah married him. Caleb gave them land in the Negev desert (v. 19), but Aksah approached her father with a request. "Do me a special favor," she said. "Give me also springs of water" (v. 19).

For four decades, Caleb had toiled to get to the promised land. Still in good health (14:10-11), he could have kept the valuable springs for himself. But he didn't.

Accumulating things for ourselves never means as much as we expect it to. Personal records get broken. Our possessions go to others. Let's give while we live. As Saquon Barkley said, "[Let] the young boys eat."

Announcements...

- **Mid-Week Bible Studies**—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 Nehamiah 11.
- **Thanks to All**—Thank you everyone who helped with the Fall Festival, the Operation Christmas Child packing party, as well as the Hanging of the Green. You are the best!
- **Upcoming Events**—
  - ◊LMCO Week of Prayer & International Missions Emphasis, 11/28—12/6
  - ◊Ladies Christmas Luncheon 12/5, 12 pm
  - ◊Dale Robertson's Christmas Open House, 12/12, 2-12 am
  - ◊Church Christmas Party at the Pruitt's, 12/18, 7 pm
  - ◊Youth & Children's Christmas Party, 12/21, time tbd
- **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 gfbc-fw@sbcglobal.net.

- **Church Website**—If you have internet you can go to our website—https://www.gfbc-fw.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 SBA loan and electric bill and continue giving toward the remaining $2,999.50 for the upstairs A/C. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful. May God bless you!

Today's Scripture

Proverbs 16:18—*"Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall."*



Thank you for helping in our OCC Packing Party

Thank You for Supporting Operation Christmas Child. Your generosity, time and participation in Operation Christmas Child brings joy, hope, and the Good News of Jesus to millions of children worldwide.

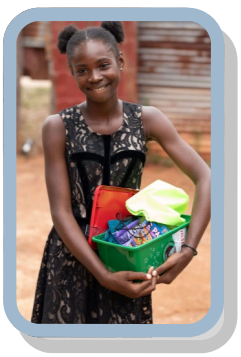








Whether you packed, verified, prayed over, loaded boxes in the car, or delivered them to the drop off location, we couldn't have done it without you. Tomorrow, the boxes will head to Dallas for their first stop. After that they will be transported by truck, plane, more trucks or boats to their final location.



Blinded By Pride

Judges 16:4-21

A Problematic Hero

- The Book of Hebrews lists _____ as one of the great heroes of faith.
- The Book of Judges tells us that Samson had _____ _____.
- Samson's power went to his _____.
- Samson became _____ by his _____.

Lesson Learned

- The story of Samson teaches us that even the mighty can be _____ _____ by pride.
- The way to avoid becoming proud is to focus on _____.
- Our greatest strengths come from us being content with our _____.
- True humility means thinking of yourself _____ and thinking of God _____.

Pride and God

- Pride comes from focusing on our _____ and _____ rather than focusing on God.
- Samson forgot that his power came from _____.
- Samson did not lose his power because he lost his _____, but because _____ left him.
- His strength came from God, but his weakness came from _____ _____ with God.

- Samson became weak because he _____ his _____.

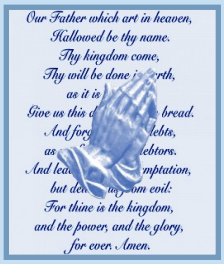
Conclusion

- Samson suffered because of his _____.
- In spite of all Samson's failings, he _____ in the end.
- Samson acknowledged that he was _____.
- 1 John 1:9, *"If we _____-_____ our sins, he is faithful and just and will _____ us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."*

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 Bro. Bill and Alice from health issues; for healing for Lisa from surgery and for possible additional surgeries; for Bro. Dale; for Kylie from cancer; 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 from cancer; healing for Victor from cancer and for Liz's many issues; for Mark H. from cancer; healing for Tonya a terminal illness and strength and grace for her and her family; Laura Thompson's vision loss; for Frank's hip, back amd tooth to heal; for Carmon from her illnesses; 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; healing and blessings for RoseE; 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 need; for family challenges for Daisy and her children; 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**—Please pray for our ministers and their families, for REVIVAL among our members, for a preschool leader, 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 gfbc-fw@sbcglobal.net or enter them on the website by Tuesday at noon, 12:00 pm. You may also text your prayer

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 that 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 churches; for Taylor as she works alongside Jonny and cares for S & H; 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, new governors, new senators and congressmen, new judges. Especially be in prayer for our leaders to make wise decisions when it comes to other nations such as Canada,



Russia, China, North and South Korea, etc.; pray for wisdom for Americans in choosing the right leaders to continue leading our nation.

†**Pray for Peace Among the Nations**—for our International (IMB) 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.

"Fairy tales do not tell children the dragons exist. Children already know that dragons exist. Fairy tales tell children the dragons can be killed."

—G.K. Chesterton

"Love your neighbor as yourself, for love is the essence of God's message."

—Author Unknown

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.

