

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

The Church

With a Heart

Sunday, November 30, 2025

Devotional Thought From the Pastor...

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

November 30—December 6, 2025

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	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

Friday

Children/Youth Christmas	6:00 pm
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Stewardship Thought...

Luke 6:38—"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap."

Though this verse primarily refers to generosity, it reflects the principle of sowing and reaping. When we give together generously, we can expect to receive an abundant return from God. It encourages believers to be generous in planting seeds of hope, knowing they will be blessed.

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Worship Service

TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

TIME TO GATHER

Opening: Praise To the Lord, the Almighty Hymn 14

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent—1st Candle—Hope
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Hymn 76

SCRIPTURE: Romans 3:10

I Worship You, Almighty God

TIME OF GIVING

Offering* and Lottie Moon Video
Here I Am to Worship

TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Message: The Need For Advent

Genesis 1:26-31; 6:5-7

Bro. Oscar

CLOSING PRAYER

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

November Birthday

Carson Fraire	11/29
Danielle Hughes	11/09
Shane McCarville	11/11
Nick Ramirez	11/12

Ministry Gifts

Offerings for Budget	\$ 915.00
Designated Offerings	\$ 21.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$ 936.00
10% Taken out for Missions	\$ 91.50
Needed This Week for Budget	\$1,302.64

Good Reputation for Christ

Matthew 5:16, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

During his college days at Florida State University, Charlie Ward was a two-sport student athlete. In 1993, the young quarterback won the Heisman Trophy as the country's best college American football player, and he also starred on the basketball team.

During a pregame talk one day, his basketball coach used some foul language as he talked to his players. He noticed that Charlie "wasn't comfortable," and said, "Charlie, what's up?" Ward said, "Coach, you know, Coach Bowden [the football coach] doesn't use that kind of language, and he gets us to play awfully hard."

Charlie's Christlike character allowed him to gently speak to his basketball coach about this issue. In fact, the coach told a reporter: "It's almost as if there was an angel looking at you" when he talked to Charlie.

A good reputation with unbelievers and a faithful witness for Christ are hard to maintain. But at the same time, believers in Jesus can grow to be more like Him as He helps and guides us. In Titus 2, younger men, and by extension all believers, are called to "be self-controlled" (v. 6) and to "show integrity . . . and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned" (vv. 7-8).

When we live that way in Christ's strength, we'll not only honor Him but also build a good reputation. Then as God provides the wisdom we need, people will have reason to hear what we say.

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 we will begin our study in 2 Chronicles 25.

•Preschool Leaders Needed—

We need members who are willing to watch little ones during our worship service. We also need a leader and assistant to teach preschoolers during Sunday School whenever new families begin coming.

*Children/Youth Family Christmas

Party—Our Christmas Party will begin at 6:00 pm at the church. Please bring yourselves and be ready for fun!

*Robertson's Christmas Open

House—12/13, from 2-11pm—Come fellowship and enjoy the Christmas décor and snacks.

*All-church Christmas at the Pastor's

Home—12/19 at 7pm—Please bring a finger food to share, a white elephant gift to exchange and your smiles to enhance the fun!

*PT Dress Rehearsal—12/20 at

10:00 am.

*Lessons & Carols—12/21 at

11am—Bro. Oscar will share lessons from the Bible and Bro. Bill and the Praise Team will share Carols to enhance the lessons.

•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 Sharing the Load, 2026 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, 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 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.gfbc-fw.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 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 Becky at 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 SBA loan, electric, dumpster bill. How can you help? Please pray, trust God and be faithful.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Please give generously



The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for 2025 and the Week of Prayer for International Missions begins TODAY.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (LMCO) is an annual fundraising initiative established to support

Southern Baptist missionaries around the world. Named after Lottie Moon, a missionary to China, this offering has been instrumental in funding the work of over 3,500 missionaries and their families, enabling them to share the gospel and provide assistance to those in need.

The National Financial Goal for the 2025 LMCO is \$210 million. This amount will directly support missionaries and their efforts to spread the message of Jesus Christ globally.

The **Week of Prayer for International Missions** takes place from November 30 to December 7, 2025. The week is dedicated to praying for missionaries and the communities they serve, encouraging church members to engage in prayerful support. The LMCO emphasis will continue throughout the month of December.



Dear Friends,

Growing up, I was told to "count your blessings." So in honor of my parents, I'm going to do just that.

You are a blessing to Texans on Mission and our volunteer teams. Just as importantly, **you** are a blessing to the many, many people **you** have served.

This year, **you** have delivered help, hope and healing to thousands here in Texas and all the way around the world. From the Texas Hill Country to Missouri to Jamaica to Uganda and many places in between, **you** have served as the hands and feet of Christ during people's most difficult days.

Thank you,

Mickey Lenamon
Texans on Mission
Chief Executive Officer

Today's Scripture

Romans 3:10—"As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one."

The Need For Advent

Genesis 1:26-31, Genesis 6:5-7, Romans 3:9-18

Sinful By Nature

- Men and women are _____ by nature.
- Modern man likes to believe he is basically _____.
- Society is at an all-time moral _____.
- _____ contaminates every aspect of our humanity.
- We are by nature enemies of _____, lovers of _____ and in _____ to our own sin.

Sin Has Corrupted Our Character

- Paul says that because of our innate **depravity**, people are universally _____.
- Not a single person who has ever lived can be characterized as _____ by God's standards.
- Our corrupt _____ is clearly revealed when our lives are _____ by the absolute standard of Divine holiness.
- Every baby starts life as a little _____.

Sin Has Defiled Our Conduct

- A person's character inevitably manifests itself in his _____.
- We are a _____ people.
- Since the turn of the 20th century, twice as many people have been **killed** in _____ acts of murder than have been killed in all the _____ of our **history** as a **country**.
- We are totally _____.

Conclusion

- There was no greater need in all the world than for the coming of _____, our _____.
- Life would be depressing and hopeless if it was not for _____.
- We can rejoice because after seeing what kind of state we were in, _____ still _____.
- What a _____ Advent is.



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 Kylie from cancer; for health issues for Bill; Alice to continue healing; continued healing for Tony from cancer & broken ribs; for healing for Ben's mother and strength for Ben as he cares for her; healing for Victor from cancer and for Liz's many issues; for Mark H. from cancer; for Lisa from breast cancer; healing for Tonya from surgery; Laura Thompson's vision



loss; for Amy from surgery; for Crystal's dad from fluid on his heart and lungs; healing for Tonya from neurological issues and loss of mobility; Frank's hip and back to heal; for Carmon from her fall & hip surgery; 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 and 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 a spirit of love and peace in Cora's

family; for an unspoken request for Becky; for Jesse H. as he finds himself, his peace and forgiveness; 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 Ryan and his 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 who came to our VBS; and for teachers and staff who are leading them this year.

†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.

†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 work; 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 a peace agreement in Israel; 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. Pray for the OCC shoeboxes and for the children who will receive them.



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.