

## How to Join Grace Baptist Church

At the end of the Worship Service, we will sing a hymn of decision. During this time, you are invited to walk to the front of the Church in response to the leading of the Holy Spirit that you sense in your heart or mind. Our Pastor and a counselor will be at the front to talk with you about your decision.

One of the decisions you may wish to make is to become a member of Grace Baptist Church. You may do so by telling the Pastor or Staff Member one of the following:

- I want to trust Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, but don't understand how. I need someone to help me.
- I have accepted Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and desire New Testament baptism.
- I have previously received Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. The Church I joined did not practice New Testament baptism, so I want to be baptized and join Grace Baptist Church.
- I am a member of another Baptist Church and want to join Grace Baptist on a promise letter from that Church.
- I have previously received Christ and was baptized into a Church by New Testament baptism, however, the record of my Church membership is unavailable, or I have been a member of another denomination and wish to return to a Baptist Church.

If none of the above are an expression of your desire, you may schedule an appointment with Pastor Hilley or a Staff Member by calling the Church Office at 706-868-9729.

*Changing our world by loving God & loving each other!*

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GRACE BAPTIST  
EVANS

Dear Grace Family and Friends,

I hope you were as blessed by the Revival Services as I was. God has done a great work and I believe we are poised for a terrific year. I really am excited about 2024. Great things are happening at Grace Baptist in Evans. We need to appreciate the blessing this Church represents. I've said it many times but it bears repeating; "it's not about me!" For reasons that we won't understand this side of heaven, God has chosen to glorify Himself in this community. We are the beneficiaries of His Presence here. As such, it's up to us to preserve what He is doing here and to pass it on to future generations. That implies continuing to allow it to grow. The Church is an organism; not an organization. And when organisms cease to grow they begin to die. We all have a role to play to enable Grace Baptist to avoid that dreadful fate. I want to challenge us all to take seriously our responsibility to "tell our story and share our faith." We encounter people every day who either don't know The Lord Jesus or have become disillusioned and no longer attend Church. That includes 70% of Columbia County residents. Would you be willing to simply ask them to come to Church with you one Sunday? The worst thing that can happen is they say no. But they may come and experience the love of God and want to come again. I'll guarantee you they'll be pleasantly surprised by the "spirit of fellowship" that exists here. It's unlike anything I've ever seen in a Church. The genuine love and concern you have for each other is a blessing to me. I'm certain it is a blessing to God as well. So let's do all we can to enable others to enjoy it as surely as we do. Sure, it requires getting out of our comfort zone. But that's a price worth paying. I love you and am honored to be your Pastor. God bless you all!

Pastor Bill

WELCOME VISITORS

We are glad you joined us today! If this is your first time visiting with us, or if you've joined us before and did not fill out a visitor card, please take a moment to access a card by scanning the QR Code with the camera on your smart phone and give us a record of your attendance today. Thank you and Welcome to Grace!



FINANCIAL REPORT

Report for January 14	
Year-To-Date Budget	Year-To-Date Giving
\$71,046.08	\$94,940.87
Give online at <a href="http://www.gbce.net">www.gbce.net</a> or	
Text GRACEEVANS to 73256 to give.	

DEACON/ELDER OF WEEK

Andy Farkas	Mike Felz
Tim Gass	Mark Hall
Mike Hazlett	Chris Lane
Troy McGahee	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MEN'S MINISTRY DINNER**  
Sat | Jan 27 | 6pm-8:30pm | Fellowship Hall  
Speaker Mark Mirza w/Common Thread Ministries  
Register at [gbce.net](http://gbce.net) or table in foyer  
Contact: Eric Lairsey

**DEACON MEETING**  
Today | 4:30pm  
Upstairs Conference Room - Admin Building

**SEND RELIEF SERVE TOUR**  
Sat | Feb 10 | 10am | Martinez Baptist Church  
Grace is partnering with MBC to sponsor a block party event for the 30907 area  
Register at [sendrelief.org/serve-tour/augusta](http://sendrelief.org/serve-tour/augusta) to sign up to volunteer | Contact: Greg Mason

**WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL**  
2024-2025 In-House Registration Begins Feb 1  
Current Families | Grace Members  
Open Registration begins March 1  
Contact: Emily Treacle 706-868-1555

**DROP IN AND DINE LADIES LUNCHEON**  
Thur | Feb 1 | 12pm | Fellowship Hall  
Invite a friend to join you | Bring your own lunch  
Contact: Patty Woodcock | 706-830-6348

**CAMP LONGRIDGE CHILDREN'S CAMP**  
June 17 - 21 | 3rd - 5th Graders  
\$299, Sibling \$284 | \$75 Nonrefundable Deposit Req.  
Registration Now Open | [www.gbce.net](http://www.gbce.net)  
Contact: Tricia Mason | [triciamason@gbce.net](mailto:triciamason@gbce.net)

**SAVE THE DATES**  
VBS 2024 | June 3 - 7  
Student Youth Camp | 6th - 12th Grade | June 17 - 21

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS**  
Begins Wed | Jan 24 | 6pm | Room 111  
Use QR Code to Register | [www.fpu.com](http://www.fpu.com) for more info  
Facilitator: Rose Ann Corbin & Shawn Whitman  
Contact: Eric Lairsey



WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Sunday - January 21**  
1st Hour Worship.....9:00am  
1st Hour Sunday School.....9:00am  
2nd Hour Worship.....10:30am  
2nd Hour Sunday School.....10:30am  
K-Church.....10:30am  
Kids Alive!.....10:30am  
1st-5th Grade Word Warriors.....5:00pm  
Deacon Meeting.....4:30pm  
Evening Worship.....6:00pm  
Preschool and Children's Graded Choir.....6:00pm

**Monday - January 22**  
Ladies Clothed In Strength Class.....9:30am  
Upward Practice.....6:00pm  
American Heritage Girls.....7:00pm  
Trail Life.....7:00pm

**Tuesday - January 23**  
Grace Place Mission Center.....9:00am  
Upward Practice.....6:00pm

**Wednesday - January 24**  
Men's Prayer Time.....6:00am  
Youth Cafe and Games.....5:30pm  
Youth Worship.....6:30pm  
Financial Peace Class.....6:00pm  
Spotlight.....6:30pm  
Adult Bible Studies.....6:30pm  
Adult Choir Rehearsal.....6:30pm  
Adult Choir Rehearsal.....7:45pm

**Thursday - January 25**  
Grace Place Mission Center.....9:00am  
Upward Practice.....6:00pm  
Celebrate Recovery.....6:30pm

**Friday - January 26**  
Ladies Clothed In Strength Class.....9:30am

**Saturday - January 27**  
Upward Practice.....2:00pm  
Men's Ministry Dinner.....6:00pm

**Upcoming Ordinance of Baptism**  
Sun | Feb 4 | End of 10:30am Service