

## 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!*

### PASTOR AND MINISTERIAL STAFF

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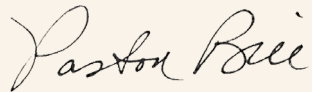
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GRACE BAPTIST  
EVANS

“It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas!” I’m glad to see it. 2024 has been a challenging year. And Hurricane Helene was the icing on the cake. We were very fortunate in that we had no damage to our home. My heart goes out to those of you who did. Yet I’m weary of being reminded of all the devastation! It’s everywhere! Downed trees and huge piles of debris are a far too familiar site. And they will be for months. It’s very frustrating. Yet I’ve been thinking about the men and women working to clean this mess up. Most of them have been working seven days a week since the first of October. That’s nine weeks! Imagine how weary they must be. Oh sure, they’re probably making “time and a half” or even “double time.” But money isn’t everything. Most of these folks aren’t local. So they haven’t been home to see family and friends. They’ve also not been able to go enjoy any of that money yet. And there’s no end in sight. Many will be here till the summer. Yet day after day, all they see is devastation! I’m afraid a great many of God’s people are right there with them, but not from looking at “downed trees.” It’s depressing to see the “spiritual depravity” of our world. Wickedness is rampant. And perversion is celebrated. Few people have any regard for “right and wrong.” And fewer still have any regard for their fellow man. People will cut your throat for ten dollars these days. It’s easy to think our situation is hopeless. Praise God that is never the case for a child of God. We have victory in Jesus Christ! And better days are coming for us. We just need to keep looking up. As we do, we will see the hand of God moving miraculously on our behalf. That’s encouraging indeed. So don’t let the wickedness of the world pull you down. Press on to the high calling God has for each of us. He is with us, and will be to the end. I love you! God bless you!



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE**

Tue | Dec 24 | 3pm & 4:30pm

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Sun | Dec 22 | Regular AM Services | No PM Service

Wed | Dec 25 | No Church Activities

Sun | Dec 29 | Regular AM Services | No PM Service

Wed | Jan 1 | No Church Activities

**REVIVAL WITH RICK CORAM**

Save The Date | Jan 19 - 22

Sun | 9am | 10:30am | 6pm

Mon - Wed | 6:30pm

**CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE CAMPAIGN**

Thank you for blessing many children this Christmas

Return gifts by Wed | Dec 18

Contact: Greg Mason

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING AROUND CAMPFIRE**

You’re invited to the Trail Life & American Heritage Girls

Christmas Campfire on Fri | Dec 20 | 6:30pm-8pm

Gravel Parking Lot | Bring chairs for your family

Contact: Clay Holland & John Moelter

**SPROUTS OF GRACE NURSERY MINISTRY**

Service opportunities available in Babies - K5

Contacts: Debbie Bailey | dbailey@gbce.net

and Paige Lozano | plozano@gbce.net

**LADIES CLOTHED IN STRENGTH CLASS**

Monday & Friday | 9:30am | Youth Room

Contact: Trisha Burks

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**

Gaining victory over hurts, habits, and hangups

Meets every Thursday evening in the Youth Suite

Dinner 6:30pm | Meeting 7pm

Contact: Mark Graff | 706-829-8348

*For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given;  
And the government will be upon His shoulder.  
And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,  
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

*Isaiah 9:6*

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday - December 8**

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  
Evening Worship.....6:00pm  
Preschool and Children’s Choir.....6:00pm

**Monday - December 9**

Ladies Clothed In Strength Class.....9:30am  
American Heritage Girls.....7:00pm  
Trail Life.....7:00pm

**Tuesday - December 10**

Grace Place Mission Center.....9:00am

**Wednesday - December 11**

Men’s Prayer Time.....6:00am  
Word Warriors.....5:30pm  
Youth Cafe and Games.....5:30pm  
Youth Worship.....6:30pm  
Spotlight.....6:30pm  
Adult Bible Studies.....6:30pm  
Adult Choir Rehearsal.....7:30pm

**Thursday - December 12**

Grace Place Mission Center.....9:00am  
Celebrate Recovery.....6:30pm

**Friday - December 13**

Ladies Clothed In Strength Class.....9:30am

**Saturday - December 14**

Grace Place Mission Center.....12:00pm  
Christmas Musical.....6:00pm

**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!



**SCAN ME**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Report for December 1

Year-To-Date Budget    Year-To-Date Giving

\$1,705,105.92            \$1,989,447.52

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Text GRACEEVANS to 73256 to give.

**DEACON/ELDER OF WEEK**

Trebor Barnes	Shawn DeRaps
Mark Jordan	Greg Usry
Michael Walden	Don Williams
Joel Woodcock	Billy Works