

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 Bryan 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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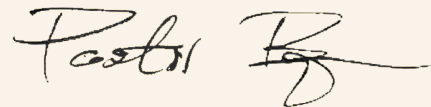
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Morning folks! I hope you are well today! It's a brand new Lord's Day so let's make the most of the opportunity that we have to worship Him in spirit and in truth (cf. John 4:24)! We are so blessed by the worshipful spirit here we dare not take it for granted! Let's tell Him how great He is and let's thank Him for all He's done for us! Speaking of being grateful, we need to thank Him for the Pastor He provided for Grace Baptist Church for 36 years! Pastor Bill Hilley and Mrs. Leila started this church in their living room and it has grown to what it is today. Grace Baptist Church is a living example of what Jesus said in Matthew 13:31-32, "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field, which indeed is the least of all the seeds; but when it is grown it is greater than the herbs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and nest in its branches." Grace Baptist Church started out small and has become not so small. Grace Baptist Church was a step of faith for Pastor Bill and Mrs. Leila and has become a launching pad for many others in their steps of faith. Grace Baptist Church was non existent 37 years ago and now is one of the most visible churches in our area. Why? Because it's truly a work of God and not a work of man! This is God's church and Pastor Bill and Mrs. Leila have faithfully lead us with unwavering commitment for all these years and we have the great honor today and tonight to celebrate their retirement with them! I have told many people over the years that I don't know of another person who has done more for me as a Christian than Bill Hilley. I am sure that many of you could say the same thing. Make sure you say it to him today if you haven't done so already! He has been faithful to preach the Word, shepherd the flock of God, and provide us with spiritual leadership that will pay great dividends into the future! Make sure you thank Mrs. Leila today too. It's once been said, "For every great man, there is an even greater woman standing next to him." That's certainly true of Mrs. Leila! She has been a tremendous Pastor's wife over the years and has poured herself into this body of believers as well. I Timothy 5:17, "Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine." Paul's point to Timothy was those "elders" (pastors) who serve and lead with excellence should have greater esteem and acknowledgement from their respected congregations for a job well done! Let's make sure we tell the Hilley's today, "JOB WELL DONE." Have a great day and know I'm honored to be your pastor!



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 thru October 11

Year-To-Date Budget	Year-To-Date Giving
\$1,575,634.92	\$2,214,145.82

Give online at www.gbce.net or
Text GRACEEVANS to 73256 to give.

DEACON/ELDER OF WEEK

Mark Baggett	Zac Bartlett
Jim Collins	Tim Gass
Mark Hall	Mike Hazlett
Chris Lane	Troy McGahee
Thomas Munro	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

Honoring Pastor Bill & Mrs. Leila

TODAY | October 18

Drop-In Reception 5pm-7pm | Fellowship Hall

LAST CHANCE FOR PORTRAITS!

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

Schedule your appointment time now

MAKEUP PORTRAIT DATES: OCTOBER 23-25

Scan QR Code to sign up
for your appointment
or call The Portrait Cafe
877-896-9667 Ext. 360
8:30am-5pm



BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Present the Proposed Budget for 2027

Sunday | October 25 | 6pm

ORDINANCE OF BAPTISM

Sunday, November 1 | End of the 10:30am Service

HOMECOMING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8

Celebrating 36 Years of Grace Baptist Church

9AM | 10:30AM Worship & Sunday School

Dinner on the grounds following 10:30AM service

Grace will provide Fried Chicken & Baked Ham

Please bring a side dish to share | Serving size 8-10 ppl

If your last name begins with: A-F Dessert

G-N Mac & Cheese or Potato Dish | O-Z Vegetable

Please bring food in a disposable container

No Evening Service on Sunday, Nov 8

G3 GATHER. GROW. GO.

1st - 5th Grade | Bring a Friend!

Kickball, Dinner, Devotion & Friends

Wednesday, October 28

6:30pm | No Cost

RSVP by October 25

so we can plan accordingly

Contact: Tricia Mason



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday - October 18

Men's Prayer Time.....	7:30am
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
Retirement Drop-In Reception.....	5:00pm

Monday - October 19

Ladies Clothed In Strength Class.....	9:30am
Pickleball.....	3:00pm
Upward Soccer Practice.....	6:00pm
American Heritage Girls.....	7:00pm
Trail Life.....	7:00pm

Tuesday - October 20

Grace Place Mission Center.....	9:00am
Upward Soccer Practice.....	6:00pm

Wednesday - October 21

Men's Prayer Time.....	6:00am
Youth Cafe and Games.....	5:30pm
Financial Peace Class.....	6:00pm
Youth Worship.....	6:30pm
Spotlight.....	6:30pm
Adult Bible Studies.....	6:30pm
New & Prospective Members Class.....	6:30pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal.....	6:30pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal.....	7:45pm

Thursday - October 22

Grace Place Mission Center.....	9:00am
Pickleball.....	3:00pm
Upward Soccer Practice.....	6:00pm
Celebrate Recovery.....	6:30pm
Grief Support Group.....	6:30pm

Friday - October 23

Ladies Clothed In Strength Class.....	9:30am
Pickleball.....	3:00pm

Saturday - October 24

Upward Soccer Games.....	8:00am
New & Prospective Members Class.....	9:00am
Grace Place Mission Center.....	10:00am