



PRAISE AND PRAYER 08-30-26

If you or someone at Grace needs help or has a care need, please call the church office at 214.368.0779 or email Jeff Sherwood at jeff@gracebiblechurch.org.

Devote yourselves to prayer keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving Colossians 4:2

EXALT God with Praise

The Lord reigns, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord has clothed himself with strength. Indeed, the world is established; it will not be moved. Your throne is established from of old; you are from eternity. Psalm 93:1-2

Praise God who reigns in majesty
Praise God who is clothed with strength
Praise God who is eternal

ENGAGE with God in Intercession

For those recovering from Surgery

Chris Reynolds' father Tony had lung replacement surgery on 7/15 which went well; but following surgery he suffered a severe heart attack and is currently on ECMO machine. Dr. are slowly weaning him off the machine. His lungs are doing well but the heart is "lagging behind". The trach has been removed; he is able to sit up and even took a few steps. Still a long road but progress is good. Continue to pray for his healing as well as Chris's mom Donna to know God's peace.

Diedre Johnson – had shoulder replacement surgery on 7/13 and is now home recuperating.

Walter Pitt – had prostate surgery on 6/25. He is home recuperating and slowly improving. is now able to get to church. Pray for his complete recovery and financial provision.

Greg Jackson – had foot surgery on 5/13/25 to correct a pronated ankle that was turning inwards, making it difficult to walk. Developed infection in January 2026 resulting in more surgery. Still has very limited mobility.

Barbara Zorn – had surgery on 8/21 to remove a precancerous mass and now awaiting final pathology. Pray for healing along with a clear biopsy.

Tina Koen – surgery on left foot scheduled for 8/31 (day surgery) and PT on hip started 8/12 (insurance approved 8 visits to start). Pray for successful surgery and effective PT.

For those dealing with Grief/Loss

Marcia Hale's daughter Malinda passed away on 8/6 after a long battle with cancer.

Dewayne Brandon's mom Connie passed away on 6/21. Pray for peace and comfort for Dewayne, his sister and the grandkids.

Carol Jeanette-Gibbs passed away on 6/13 so pray for the family as they mourn their loss.

Bruce and Tricia Parker and family as they deal with the loss of their son Brendan on 6/9. Pray for God's comfort, grace and peace to guide and direct their hearts.

Higgins family as Greg's Dad passed away Wednesday 3/25. Pray for comfort and peace.

For those with Health Concerns

Cara Appleby's stepmom Caroline – dealing with ovarian cancer. Had surgery on 7/31 to remove the mass. Awaiting additional biopsy results but chemotherapy started the week of 8/23. Pray that biopsies are clear and for her to feel OK during chemo. Pray for healing and God's peace for the family and grandkids.

Kelli Rothpletz – (Jess Rothpletz sister) has serious breathing issues. Finally seeing a Dr. so pray that she will follow through with his advice.

Mary Ellen DiTucci – suffered a stroke on 6/10. Able to get around with a walker and **Praise God** that Dr has approved her trip to Italy in September. Pray for continued strength in her left arm specifically.

Don Hoggatt's nephew Matt McGrew had a brain tumor removed on Tuesday (4/14). Additional surgery took place on 6/13 to get the rest of the cancer. He is now on 6 months of chemotherapy pills then 8 weeks of radiation. Pray for strength and that the result will be cancer free.

Walt Matheny – undergoing rehab at The Madison on Marsh. Slowly improving

Shalom Bouhasin – 10 year old son of Anthony and April has been ill since January. He is diagnosed with PEM (post-exertional malaise) which results in extreme fatigue and cognitive issues following minimal physical or mental exertion. Was able to sit up for an hour on 7/26. Pray for continued progress and for his complete recovery. Pray for wisdom for the parents to know how much activity he can handle without a major setback.

Brooks Weaver (TS Weaver's brother) had ileostomy surgery last November. Healing is slow and occasionally deals with a prolapsed stoma. Pray for healing and patience.

For those with Cancer

John Pittman adult son of Hayden Pittman, former member of GBC has glioblastoma. The cancer is slowly progressing. He spends most of the time in bed and on hospice care. Pray for John's wife and 3 adult children to know God's peace.

Emily Sandefur – she had Diep Flap reconstruction surgery on Wednesday 7/8. PRAISE GOD that she is healing well and was able to be with us on 8/23. Praise for the report she and Ryan shared with us. If you read her latest newsletter there are a number of YL staff who have cancer or who died suddenly so, pray for the organization as well.

For those who need Wisdom/Trust

April Crane's cousin Natalie had emergency surgery for treatment of breast cancer on 8/3. She continues to be in pain and is looking to have further surgery to remove more lymph nodes. Pray for strength and healing.

Patti Johnson requests prayer for her son **Kyle and his family** who after well over 20 years of ministry with Antioch Ministries in Malaysia and other parts of the world have returned to Texas. Praise that God has provided an apartment along with a job for Melissa. Pray for Kyle that God would provide exactly what he needs for employment.

Jessica Cuartas – had appointment at MS clinic at UT Southwestern and officially diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis relapsing-remitting. Treatment will start soon to keep relapses and lesions at bay. Returned to work on Aug 4th so pray for strength. Pray for a positive response from the treatment.

Sarah – seeking wisdom and peace in financial decisions. She gives praise that Bible Study at work is going well and people keep showing up so continue to pray that coworkers will come to faith in Christ.

Stacy Bobo – is in need of a new place to stay as well as a job that will meet her needs.

Global Engagement Prayer – Mercy Street Ministries

Transforming Lives for Christ: Serving almost 5,000 youth across West and South Dallas

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Salvation (Colossians 4:3): Pray for the hearts of those we serve throughout all our programs and that they will be open to hear the message of the Gospel.
- Pray for Wisdom (Proverbs 18:15): Pray that God guides us to build meaningful relationships, faithfully meet needs of those we serve, and grow our ministry with purpose and excellence.
- Pray for Stewardship (2 Corinthians 9:8): Pray that God provides the financial resources and relationships needed to run the programs we offer the children in West and South Dallas.
- Pray for Servant Heartedness (Matthew 20:28): Pray that God raises up faithful hands and willing hearts to serve with compassion, humility, and wisdom.

Leadership of GBC

For the Deacons: Mark Adams, Justin Arnett, Joe Foster, Michael Golden, Ron Gooding, Jay Hopper, Todd Ratliff, Joseph Shumate, David Smith, Seth Spofford, Luberto Velez. Pray for joy and stamina in serving the church family.

Prayer and Praise for God's provision in our **Built on Truth Campaign**

The President and Congress

Pray for wisdom and discernment in making decisions and leading the country. 1 Tim.2:1-2

Those serving in the Military

Devin Clemmer – nephew of Susie Clemmer, has been deployed to the Middle East until October 2026

John Leugs – nephew of Cam and Judy Gysen, Fort Leavenworth, KN

Nick Miller – Carlton Meredith's grandson

EQUIP

Read John 16:5-7. As Jesus begins to share with his disciples the significance of the Holy Spirit to them what is their state of mind and heart? (Vs.6) How is knowing the ministry of the Holy Spirit in vs. 8-11 designed to encourage the grieving disciples? How might the Holy Spirit minister to us in times of grief?