

# GRACE ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

## SUNDAY 12/14

- ♦ **Jr. & Sr. High Sunday School**  
10:30am - Ed Building
- ♦ **College SS Class**  
10:30am - Ed Building Rm 705
- ♦ **Sunday Evening** (Ed Building)  
5:30pm - Prayer Meeting

- ♦ **Community Bible Study**  
10am - Ed Building
- ♦ **AWANA**  
6:15pm - Main Building

## THURSDAY 12/18

- ♦ **Adult Youth Group**  
"A Christmas Story"  
6pm - The Chapel



## TUESDAY 12/16

- ♦ **Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group**  
7pm - Ed Building

## WEDNESDAY 12/17

- ♦ **Men's Bible Study**  
6:30am - Rm 108

## FINANCIAL REPORT

**Month of December 2025**  
Weekly Offering Needed:  
\$17,500

12/7/25 \$51,882

**Mortgage Reduction \$27,291**

Please note: This is in addition to your normal giving. Also, make sure that **Mortgage Reduction** is noted on the memo line of your check. Thank you.

## WAYS TO GIVE:

1. **Church App** - Church by MinistryOne
2. **Offering Boxes** - Located in the back of the Sanctuary and the Welcome Centers

## CONTACT US

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## Pastoral & Office Hours

M - Th 8:30am - 4:30pm

## Front Office Only

Fri 8:30am - 12noon

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"If we are  
in Christ,  
we never lack  
His love;  
we only lack  
resting in it."

Scotty Smith

# WELCOME TO GRACE!

Welcome to worship at Grace! It is good to have you with us.  
If you are new to Grace, we would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please stop by the Welcome Center after the service!

OFFICIAL PROGRAM AND SCORECARD

1/30-2/1

HUME

\$250

## Grace Youth Winter Camp



Winter Camp

HUME 2026 james@gracesantamaria.org



**FAMILY FOOD FOLLIES**  
Beverage, salad, and 2 slices of pizza for only \$1.

**December 17 /Gym**  
**Dinner @ 5:20pm before AWANA**

### NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

**January 18th**

**@ 10:30am Rm 504**

(Next to our Fellowship Lounge)

Our membership classes are geared for those wanting to become Grace Baptist Church members or needing more information about who we are as a church.



**Dec 18 at 6 pm**

**Adult Youth Group**

**A CHRISTMAS STORY**

**Dinner \$5 per person**  
**In the Chapel**

## MORNING LINEUP

**Call to Worship**  
*Hark The Herald Angels Sing*  
*Glory In The Highest*  
**Advent Reading & Candle Lighting**  
*O Come O Come Emmanuel*  
*Prince Of Heaven*  
**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Prayer Of Confession & Celebration**  
**Sermon**  
*Joy To The World*  
**Benediction**

## TODAY AT GRACE

**December 14th, 2025**

### MORNING SERVICE

**9:00am & 10:30am**

"And You Shall Call His Name 'Pele-Joez-El-Gibbor-Abi-Ad-Sar-Shalom, or 'Jesus' For Short"

Luke 1:26-56

[https://youtube.com/live/V\\_gj7xbbG2Q](https://youtube.com/live/V_gj7xbbG2Q)

Pastor Benji



**YEAR - END - GIFTS** - In order for year- end donations to be receipted in 2025, your gift must be hand delivered to the church office or postmarked by December 31st. If the church office is closed, please place your donation in the *605 Mailbox*. Gifts delivered or postmarked in January will be considered a 2026 donation. Thank you!

### MORTGAGE UPDATE:

Since August, we have received an additional \$113,956 for mortgage reduction. We also received \$41,820 for mortgage reduction. This now reduces our monthly payment to approximately \$2,500. Thank you for giving sacrificially and glory to Jesus for His faithfulness!

**Prayer Gathering/Sundays @ 5:30pm/Ed Building**  
**No 6pm Evening Service.**  
**Evening study will resume in January!**



The Church Office will be closed December 24th, 25th and January 1st. Also, office hours are limited starting Wednesday, December 26th through Friday, January 2nd.

*Call ahead to make sure we are here.*



## Grace Baptist Church Prayer List For Week of December 14th, 2025

### PRAY FOR AWAKENING

NEIGHBORS, CHURCH, AND CO-WORKERS

*Pray that the members of your church will be full of zeal to serve Christ and bear witness to Him in your community.*

"Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord."

Romans 12:11

### PRAISES:

- **Mary Ann Schuerich** - Praise God! My friend's son **Jose**, who had the brain bleed, will be coming home soon. His mother says this was a miraculous healing!

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- **Robert & Carolyn McBurney** - Please pray for Mom(Beckie) as she was diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer. Pray for Mom to have excellent care, that we can get her care efficiently and she is able to recover comfortably. Your prayers are so appreciated. She loves her Grace Family.
- **Barbara Hunt** - Continued prayers for our dear friend **Scott Reid**. Scott had a very lengthy and difficult surgery on Wed Dec 3.
- **David York** - Please pray for safety as I work(truck driver) and pray for my *teenage kids* to trust and know Jesus Christ and to make Him Lord of their lives.
- **David White** - Pray for me to have housing and a job. Also, my friend Rudy has a court hearing. Please pray that she doesn't get locked up during the holidays. Pray for God to deliver her from drinking. Also, pray for me to not make any bad decisions.
- **Rescue Mission** (Global Partners): Pray for our staff transition as *Luke Johnson* steps into the director position, and as financial strain is heavy on many in our community right now.
- **Rescue Mission** (Global Partners): Pray for finding staff for us to expand our Women's Program to serve single mothers with children.
- **David & Cordelia Rackley** - Please pray. **Cordelia** has been diagnosed with dementia. May Jesus minister his comfort, strength, and mercy upon David & Cordelia.
- **Cheryl Spence** - Pray for **Curt Lyon**, brother of *Cheryl Spence and Roxanne Slocum*. He has been diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer.
- **Bonnie Chisum** - My son **Bobby** is still doing good. Continue to pray that he will be able to get a kidney transplant.

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## Grace Baptist Church Prayer List

### PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

Steve and Barbara Wilkinson

Converge

**Do You Have A Prayer Request?**

To Submit your prayer request by email:

[prayer@gracesantamaria.org](mailto:prayer@gracesantamaria.org)



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A COMPASSIONATE CALL TO

# COUNTER CULTURE

IN A WORLD OF

POVERTY • SAME-SEX MARRIAGE • RACISM

SEX SLAVERY • IMMIGRATION • PERSECUTION

ABORTION • ORPHANS • PORNOGRAPHY

DAVID PLATT  
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

## Counter/Culture

How can we live in our culture as committed Christians and respond to social issues such as poverty, slavery, abortion, sexual immorality, the degradation of marriage, the neglect of orphans and widows, racism, and persecution? An opportunity to work through these issues is coming January 2026.

**Join the six week small group meeting Sunday nights, Ed Building 6:00pm - 7:15pm, beginning January 11 and facilitated by Chet Harter III. No signup necessary.**

*There are three different levels of participation to choose from:*

Level 1 – Simply show up on Sunday nights to watch the video teaching and join in the group discussion.

Level 2 – Join on Sunday nights and *also* purchase and read the book “Counter Culture” by David Platt\*\*\*. (Highly recommended!)

Level 3 – In addition to the first two levels, purchase and work through the daily study “Counter Culture - Bible Study Book with Video Access: A Compassionate Call”\*\*\* also by David Platt. There are five personal daily Bible studies for each of the six weeks.

\*\*\*Each participant must buy the materials on their own. Both the book itself and the Bible Study book are available at Christianbook.com, Amazon or other outlets you might prefer. Some outlets might offer a package deal that includes both the book and Study book.