



# Grace Bible Fellowship

June 2026

## June @ Grace...

**June 7**

Church Picnic

**June 13**

Men's Breakfast @ 8am

**June 14**

Prayer Service @5pm  
Leadership Mtg. @ 6:30pm

**June 20**

Women's Brunch @ 9-11am

**June 21**

Abigail Women's Center  
Collection Ends

**June 28**

Mission's Giving (Detwiler)

## July @ Grace...

**July 12**

Prayer Service @5pm  
Leadership Mtg. @ 6pm

**July 22**

Semi-Annual Mtg. @ 6:30pm

**July 24-25**

CGN Women's Conference

**July 26**

Mission's Giving (Campos)

**July 27**

Partial Carpet Cleaning

## ***Preach the Bible: Praying for the Preacher***

Last month, we asked the question, "Why are the Psalms so good for prayer?" in relation to how we pray the Bible. We answered with three reasons: they are inspired Scripture, they connect us to the whole church throughout time and space, and they are uniquely suited for our feelings and circumstances. Continuing in our key themes of 2026 of Read the Bible, Pray the Bible, and Preach the Bible, my continued goal is to encourage you in our mutual commitment to God and his words. This month, we will look at the theme of Preach the Bible by looking at how we can pray for the preacher. Now, one might consider this topic to be a little self-seeking as I am the one who preaches most Sundays. However, prayer is vital for preaching because the power of preaching rests in God alone. My efforts would be wasted if God was not in it. Additionally, I am not the only preacher you will hear at GBF. God has blessed us with a plurality of men who can faithfully preach the word. All of us preachers need to pray and petition the saints to pray on our behalf.

Before Sunday service, I often go to the Valley of Vision to pray one of the prayers listed there. I thought I would share one with you this month as a way to offer insight as to how you might pray for any man who preaches at GBF or other churches you may visit. Please reflect on the words, consider the truths from Scripture which they communicate, and join me in prayer for the preaching of God's Word.

### **A Ministers Preaching**

MY MASTER GOD,

I am desired to preach today, but go weak and needy to my task;

Yet I long that people might be edified with divine truth, that an honest testimony mighty be borne for thee;

Give me assistance in preaching and prayer, with heart uplifted for grace and unction.

*Continued...*

Present to my view things pertinent to my subject, with fullness of matter and clarity of thought, proper expressions, fluency, fervency, a feeling sense of the things I preach, and grace to apply them to men's consciences.

Keep me conscious all the while of my defects, and let me not gloat in pride over my performance.

Help me offer a testimony for thyself, and to leave sinners inexcusable in neglecting thy mercy.

Give me freedom to open the sorrows of thy people, and to set before them comforting considerations.

Attend with power the truth preached, and awaken the attention of my slothful audience.

May thy people be refreshed, melted, convicted, comforted, and help me to use the strongest arguments

drawn from Christ's incarnation and sufferings, that men might be made holy.

I myself need thy support, comfort, strength, holiness, that I might be a pure channel of thy grace, and be able to do something for thee;

Give me then refreshment among thy people, and help me not to treat excellent matter in a defective way, or bear a broken testimony to so worthy a redeemer, or be harsh in treating of Christ's death, its design and end, from lack of warmth and fervency.

And keep me in tune with thee as I do this work.

*In Christ, Pastor Nathan*

Bennett, Arthur. "The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions."

*The Valley of Vision*, East Peoria, IL, The Banner of Truth Trust, 1975, p. 191.

## Praying for Our Family...

- Pray for Pastor Nathan, Eric Bjerkaas, Jeff Schenck, and Don Faux, and Dan Kleinau as they continue in faithful leadership of the church.
- Pray for Pastor Nathan as he weekly prepares for the Sunday School, preaching the Word, and shepherding the body.
- Pray for Don & Angie as they navigate Don's headaches and make decisions about what is best for his pain.
- Pray for all those sick in body in the congregation.
- Pray for Jason and Amanda as they continue to press on in their cancer journey. Pray for wisdom and strength in the Lord.
- Pray for John & Mary as they press on in the battle with John's pain. Pray for Mary as she cares for John.
- Pray for Christiane Cherny as she continues to carry new life inside her as well as the whole Cherny family as they prepare for their daughter's arrival in late June/early July.
- Pray for the planning of and those preparing to teach and preach at the Women's Retreat here in July. Pray for all those who will attend.
- Pray for the ladies going to the TGCW conference.
- Pray that as we hear the Word preached, our hearts and lives would be changed. Pray that we would be desiring God's Word, growing in our love for one another, and seeking to serve the Lord well in our church and community.

## Our Missionary Partners...

Sillas & Wanger Campos, Brazil  
Karl & Glynn Peterson, South Africa, Mozambique  
Destin & Jennifer Detwiler, To Every Tribe

## Praying for those who serve...

### Leadership

Pastor – Nathan Miller

Elder – Eric Bjerkaas

Deacons – Don Faux, Dan Kleinau, & Jeff Schenck

### Ministry Volunteers

Eric & Andi, Paul & Renée, John & Mary, Dan & Christine, Matt & Rebekah, Jason & Amanda, Jeff S., Adam & Jill, Don & Angie, Aaron, Yessie, Nathan & Rylee, Valerie, Kris, Kailee, Robena, Jake & Christiane, Jeff W., Ethan, Caleb, Lydia, Marcos

### Teachers

Pastor Nathan: Adult

Yessie Yanez: 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade

Rylee Miller: Pre-K – 1<sup>st</sup> grade

Dan Kleinau & Renee Kim: Children's Church

## 2026 Special Events & Dates

### June

7: Church Picnic  
13: Men's Breakfast  
14: Prayer Service  
20: Women's Brunch  
21: Abigail Collection Ends

### July

12: Prayer Service  
22: Semi-Annual Meeting  
24-25: CGN Women's Retreat

### August:

9: Prayer Service  
15: Women's Brunch  
21: Game Night

### September

2: Bible Study Resumes  
13: Prayer Service  
20: Cookout  
PADS: TBD

### October

CGN Men's Retreat: TBD  
11: Prayer Service  
17: Women's Brunch  
21: Bonfire After Study

### November

8: Prayer Service  
18: Last Bible Study  
PADS: TBD  
22: Christmas Luncheon/Décor  
29: Advent Begins

### December

13: Prayer Service  
24: Candlelight Service



### **Kid's Corner...**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Ms. Yessie's class started sitting together in the adult study starting May 24, to learn about confessions, creeds, and the 1689 London Baptist Confession of Faith.

#### **Pre-K-1<sup>st</sup> Grade:**

Mrs. Rylee has taken over the Pre-K through 1<sup>st</sup> grade class. They continue on in The Biggest story with lessons from Exodus, Leviticus, and Deuteronomy.

# June

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 PASTOR @CGN	3	4	5	6
7 SUNDAY SCHOOL- 9AM WORSHIP- 10AM CHURCH PICNIC	8	9	10	11	12 TGCW 26	13 MEN'S BREAKFAST 8-10AM
14 SUNDAY SCHOOL- 9AM WORSHIP- 10AM PRAYER @ 5PM LEADERSHIP @6	15	16	17	18	19	20 WOMEN'S BRUNCH 9-11AM
21 SUNDAY SCHOOL- 9AM WORSHIP- 10AM	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 SUNDAY SCHOOL- 9AM WORSHIP- 10AM MISSIONS GIVING (DETWILER)	29	30				

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**3<sup>RD</sup> - ERIC BJERKAAS**  
**10<sup>TH</sup> - VALERIE VANWINGERDEN**  
**11<sup>TH</sup> - AMANDA LAFFERTY**  
**12<sup>TH</sup> - JILL SPARKS**  
**13<sup>TH</sup> - GALINA AZAROVA**  
**13<sup>TH</sup> - JAMES SPARKS**  
**17<sup>TH</sup> - PAUL KIM**  
**19<sup>TH</sup> - MICHAEL CARSON**  
**26<sup>TH</sup> - TODD MILLER**  
**29<sup>TH</sup> - DON FAUX**

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

**1<sup>ST</sup> - JASON & AMANDA LAFFERTY**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> - DAN & ANGIE FAUX**  
**13<sup>TH</sup> - ISAAC & BETH CARSON**  
**14<sup>TH</sup> - LEE & JOYCE MCCULLOUGH**  
**22<sup>ND</sup> - JOHN & MARY LINDENMEYER**