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GRACE TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 2026

Celebrating Our Faithful Pillars of the Church

This month, our congregation joins together in deep gratitude as we honor several remarkable members who have walked faithfully with this church for many decades; some for more than sixty years. Their steadfast presence, generous spirits, and unwavering commitment have shaped the very foundation of our church community.

These long standing members have witnessed seasons of growth, change, challenge, and blessing. Through it all, they have remained rooted in faith and devoted to the mission of our church. Their lives tell a story of perseverance, love, and service; a story that continues to inspire every generation that follows.

Their contributions have taken many forms: offering wisdom during pivotal moments, serving with humility and joy, supporting the church through prayer and generosity, welcoming newcomers, and modeling what it means to live a life anchored in Christ. Because of their dedication, our church stands stronger today. They have truly been pillars of our congregation.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to each of these honored members. Your decades of service have blessed us more than words can express. You have helped build a church where love is lived out, faith is nurtured, and community is cherished.

James 1:5 reminds us, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God." As we look toward the future, we ask our church family to continue lifting our leadership in prayer. Important decisions lie ahead, and we trust that God will guide every step. Your prayers strengthen and support those who serve, and we are grateful for your partnership in seeking God's will for our congregation.

Supporting Our Wednesday Night Meal Ministry:

Each Wednesday night, our church provides a warm, home cooked meal for everyone who comes to midweek services; a blessing to those coming straight from work, students arriving from school, and families gathering for Bible study and worship. This ministry reflects the heart of Christ by caring for physical needs and removing barriers to fellowship.

Our goal for this year is \$1,500, which helps offset the cost of meals. It takes about \$3,000 to provide these meals for the entire year. This ministry operates as a designated budget, meaning the \$1,500 goal must be met through designated giving. If you feel led to support this ministry, please mark your gift for the Wednesday Night Meal Fund.

We are deeply grateful to our staff who prepare these meals each week. They serve with love, stretch every dollar, and work faithfully to care for our church family. To everyone who gives to this ministry through offerings, donations, or prayer, thank you. Your generosity makes a real difference in the lives of those who walk through our doors each Wednesday night.

Please take a moment to review the upcoming events for this month. We have several opportunities for worship, fellowship, and service, and we look forward to sharing these moments together as a church family.

With gratitude, Pastor Marco

Come to a Place of Grace

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Youth Fundraiser	9	10	11	12	13 DNow @ Mt. Lebanon	14
15	16	17 Tuesday at the Tower	18	19	20	21 Women's Ministry
22 Joint Svc	23	24	25	26	27	28 Men's Minsitry

Wednesday's Schedule

5:30 - 6:15 PM Fellowship Meal
 6:30 PM Bible Study
 Students, Single Young Adults,
 English & Spanish Adults, Children

Sunday's Schedule

9:30-10:45 AM English Worship/
 Spanish Bible Study
 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM Spanish Worship/
 English Bible Study

*"There is no one holy like the LORD; there is no one besides you;
 there is no Rock like our God."*

1 Samuel 2:2



Youth Fundraiser

Come down to get a delicious breakfast taco before the service or before your Sunday School class on Sunday, February 8. Breakfast tacos will be served from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Thank you for your generous support of the students and the Student Ministry!

Sunday, February 8

Proceeds for student's activities

Tuesday at the Tower

Each month we meet and share a devotion, maybe a cup of coffee, and a fun and engaging time with our neighbors and friends at the Tyler Street Tower.

This month we will enjoy some handmade crafts and a healthy snack.

Join us on Tuesday, February 17 at 6:00 PM.

Women's Ministry

All Grace Temple women are encouraged to attend this monthly gathering.

You'll enjoy food, fellowship, and a Bible study on Psalm 57 "Glorifying God in the Midst of Difficulty"

We look forward to seeing you February 21 at 9:30 AM

Bring a friend and a dish to share

CELEBRATING OUR LONGEST MEMBERS



Lois Fanning

Joined November 1948

Lois Fanning is 98 years old! She served in many ministries while at Grace Temple. Her most cherished time was with the babies in the Nursery for 35 years! Lois also served as WMU president, sang in the choir, and volunteered with the Youth.



Royce & Pat Larsen

Joined September 1958

Pat and Royce have been members or rather servants at Grace Temple for more than 65 years! She and Royce have served in the children, youth, and young adult ministries. Pat was the Youth Director for many years. Royce taught the Adult I class for several years. He currently serves as a Deacon, and is a former ALT chair.



Gene & Betty Gentry

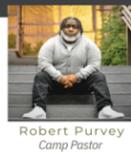
Betty joined in Nov 1959

She was baptized into membership when she was just 25 years old.

Gene Gentry joined in May of 1966.

Both have served in several areas of the church throughout the years.

Gene is a current Trustee.



Robert Purvey
Camp Pastor



Jon Kang Band
Worship

DNow 2026

February 13-15 @ Mt. Lebanon

Grace Students in 7-12 grade, don't miss this incredible opportunity to connect and make lasting memories!

Cost is \$90 (includes meals and lodging) Registration deadline is February 8th*

* If you missed the January deadline, t-shirt is not guaranteed.

Register on Realm or call the office.



Men's Ministry

All Grace Temple men are encouraged to attend this month's Bible Study and fellowship event.

Saturday, February 28 at 9:30 a.m.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

INFLUENCE THAT LASTS:
SHAPING FAITH ACROSS GENERATIONS

**SATURDAY,
7TH
FEBRUARY
8:30 - NOON**

THE EXCITING SINGING HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH
6550 UNIVERSITY HILLS BLVD,
DALLAS, TX 75241

WE WILL HAVE BREAKOUTS FOR YOUR LEADERS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- PRESCHOOL
- CHILDREN
- YOUTH
- COLLEGE/NEXTGEN
- ADULTS
- SPANISH LEADERS
- WOMEN'S MINISTRY
- MEN'S MINISTRY
- SENIOR ADULTS

REGISTRATION IS ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED.
MORE INFORMATION AT DSA.NET/LEADERSHIP-CONFERENCE



Frank & Betty Holman

Betty joined in Sept 1964

Frank joined shortly after in February 1965. Frank was a 4th-5th grade teacher for 25 years and was instrumental in starting the AWANA program.

They continue to faithfully serve at Grace Temple. Frank is a Deacon and Betty serves on ALT and as a Trustee.



Financial Information December 2025

Budget Income \$22,208.61
Budget Expenses \$36,387.41
Designated Giving \$5,753.80
Designated Spending \$9,432.53

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Designated Giving

This month's designated giving emphasis is on **Wednesday Night Meals. Our goal is \$1500.**

Gifts can be made when you join us for dinner on Wednesday nights at 5:30 p.m. or online.

