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# GRACE TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

MAY 2026

*“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*

Matthew 28:19-20

Dear Church Family,

As we enter the month of May, my heart is full of gratitude for all that God is doing in and through our church. Over the past several weeks in Acts 1, we’ve been reminded that waiting on God is never passive. Like the early church, we wait by praying, depending, surrendering, and obeying; and in that posture, God prepares us for His mission.

That mission remains the same today: to make disciples, to share the gospel, and to walk in obedience to the Great Commission. Our memory verse this month, Matthew 28:19-20, calls us to go, make disciples, and baptize in His name. And this past month, we have seen God moving among us in ways that reflect this very mission. We are witnessing lives transformed, disciples being made, and believers taking the step of baptism in obedience to Christ.

What a wonderful Resurrection Sunday we shared together! At 7 AM, more than 45 people gathered outside for our Sunrise Service. The cool morning air, the worship, and the joy of celebrating our risen Savior made it a special moment. Afterward, we enjoyed a warm breakfast and fellowship together. A heartfelt thank you to Sandra Carrera and Diana Torres for preparing everything so beautifully. Our Easter Worship Service that followed was also well attended, and it was a blessing to see our sanctuary filled with people celebrating the victory of Christ.

We also rejoice in the steps of faith taken this past month. On Easter Sunday, Milah Benavides, Lisa Encinas, and Dominick Rodriguez publicly declared their faith in Christ through baptism, and later in the month Daniel Batista followed in obedience as well. These moments remind us that God is moving among us, drawing people to Himself and calling us to continue embracing the mission of making disciples.

As we look ahead, May is filled with wonderful opportunities for prayer, fellowship, and celebration. We will join believers across the nation for the National Day of Prayer, enjoy a joyful time together at our Lake Day, and later this month celebrate our graduating students during Graduate Recognition Sunday, followed by our Grace Students Fundraiser Lunch.

It is a full and exciting month, be sure to look at the calendar of events and join in wherever you can.

Family, thank you for your prayers, your service, and your faithfulness. God is preparing us for what He is doing next, and it is a joy to pursue His mission together. May we continue to wait on Him, not passively, but prayerfully and obediently, as we embrace the calling He has given us.

Pastor Marco

## Come to a Place of Grace

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Mission Serve Mtg	4	5	6	7 National Day of Prayer	8	9
10 Mothers Day	11	12	13	14	15	16 Lake Day
17	18	19 Tuesday @ The Tower	20	21	22	23
24 31 Joint Svc	25 Office Closed	26	27	28	29	30 Men & Women's Ministry

### 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



### National Day of Prayer

Prayer is an important part of life. It's a time to communicate with God. Speaking our heart's desires, waiting, listening for His comfort and direction.

We'll come together as a nation in prayer for our families, our churches, and our communities.

**Thursday, May 7**

Sanctuary open from 9 AM - 5 PM



### Lake Day

Join us for an exciting afternoon at the lake! There'll be games, good food, and fun fellowship. Don't miss out!

Burgers and hot dogs will be provided. Bring something to share. Let us know you are coming. Sign up on Realm today.

**May 16 from 10 AM - 2 PM**  
**Joe Pool Lake / Lynn Creek Park**  
Entry fee is \$20 per car



### Tuesday at the Tower

Spend a joyful and engaging time with our friends at the Tower.

Each month we meet and share a devotion, 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 a devotional and a few rounds of bingo.

**We hope you will join us**  
**May 19 at 6 PM.**

### NEW MEMBERS BY BAPTISM



#### Milah Benavides

Milah was baptized on Easter Sunday, April 5. She is the daughter of Maritza & Joshua Benavides and Granddaughter of Alvaro & Olivia Valles.

Milah was dedicated in our church June 26, 2016. Pray for her as she continues to grow in knowledge of the Lord.



#### Dominick Rodriguez

Dominick is the son of Michael Ruiz and Sujey Lopez. He and his family have attended Grace Temple for over 12 years.

Dominick is an active member of Grace Students and serves on the Leadership Team. He was baptized on Easter Sunday, April 5.



#### Daniel Batista

Daniel has been part of Grace Temple since birth. He was baptized on April 26.

Daniel actively participates in the Student Ministry and is a part of the Leadership Team. He is often serving our church alongside his brother, Hosea.



### Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 31

Grace Temple Students graduating this year will be recognized during the Joint Service on Sunday, May 31st.

This is an exciting time for both the students and their families. We are proud of their achievements! Join us as recognize them and take a few moments to pray for them and show our support.



### Student Camp

June 28 - July 2  
Mt. Lebanon  
Students completing 7-12 grade  
Cost is \$300  
Spots are limited!  
Register & Pay \$50  
Deposit by May 11th.



### Kids Camp

July 12 - 17  
Mt. Lebanon  
Students completing 3-6 grade  
Cost is \$260  
Spots are limited!  
Register & Pay \$50  
Deposit by May 18th.



#### Lisa Encinas

Lisa was baptized on Easter Sunday, April 5.

After visiting our church for several months, she made a profession of faith, and has done discipleship lessons with Pastor Marco and other church members.

### Men's & Women's Ministries

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



#### Women's Ministry Saturday, May 30

Meet at the church at 9:15 AM  
Devo & Fellowship in Waxahachie



#### Men's Ministry Saturday, May 30 at 6:30 PM

Bible Study "Men Built on the Rock" and Fellowship



### Grace Students Fundraiser Sunday, May 31

Join us at Fellowship Hall after the Joint Service for a delicious tostada lunch. Your support for Grace Students helps raise funds for summer activities.

