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GRACE TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 2026

“Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.”

Psalms 105:4

Greetings,

October is here, and even though the Texas heat is still hanging on, we finally received some much needed rain. What a blessing and a reminder of God’s faithfulness in every season.

On Sunday, October 4th, we will begin a new sermon series, “Battle for the Home: Fighting for the Hearts of Our Families.” This series will help us understand the spiritual pressures families face today and equip us with biblical wisdom to strengthen our homes. It’s a timely call to guard our marriages, encourage our children, and fight for the hearts of our families with faith and clarity.

That Sunday, we will also be offering a “Fresh Start” class for anyone interested in learning more about our church. In this class, we walk through who we are, what we believe, how we serve, and what it means to be part of our church family. It’s a great opportunity to meet others and take the next step in connecting with our community.

From October 19th-23rd, we will enter a special Week of Prayer. Prayer guides will be available the week before so we can unite in praying for our families, ministries, community, and the needs of our church. We encourage everyone to participate and seek the Lord together.

We will gather for a Concert of Prayer on Sunday, October 25th. It will be a powerful time of worship and united intercession. Immediately after, we will share a time of fellowship at our “Love Thy Neighbor Luncheon.” This will be a wonderful opportunity to connect, encourage one another, and celebrate what God is doing among us.

On October 31st, we will host an outreach event at the 9th Street House. The theme is “Christmas on 9th Street.” We will have games, candy, and great conversations with our neighbors, all with the hope of building relationships that lead to gospel conversations. Please pray for open doors and open hearts as we serve our community.

Psalms 105:4, says, “Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.” This verse prepares our hearts for the Week of Prayer and the Concert of Prayer. As we seek God together, praying for our homes, our church, and our community; may we remember that our strength comes from Him alone. When we look to the Lord and seek His face, He meets us with guidance, peace, and renewed purpose.

As we step into October, may God bless this new season with growth and renewed purpose. And please be sure to check the church calendar for all the other events happening this month.

Pastor Marco

Come to a Place of Grace

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 DBA Annual Celebration	2	3
4 Churchwide “Fresh Start”	5 Office Closed	6	7	8	9	10
11 Deacons Meeting	12	13	14	15	16 Women’s Retreat	17
18 Youth Fundraiser	19 Churchwide Week of Prayer	20	21	22	23	24 Women/Men’s Ministry
Joint Svc/ Concert of Prayer “Love Thy Neighbor Lunch”	26	27	28	29	30 Youth Pumpkin Carving	31 Christmas on 9th Street

Wednesday’s Schedule
5:30 - 6:15 PM Dinner
6:30 PM Bible Study
College/Young Adults, Children,
English & Spanish Adults

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



Operation Christmas Child

We are collecting items and/or monetary donations to fill Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.

We'll be accepting items the entire month of October.

The Children's Ministry will have a Packing Party on Sunday, November 8.

October 1 - November 1



Women & Men's Ministry

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

Both will meet on the same day but separate times.

We hope to see you there!

Women's Ministry @ 9:30 AM
Men's Ministry @ 6:30 PM

Saturday, October 24



"Love Thy Neighbor" Lunch

Come share a meal and grow closer with your church family at our Love Thy Neighbor Luncheon!

You'll be seated with fellow members for some good food, great conversation and fellowship.

Come with a dish, leave with new friendships. Let's grow together as a church family!

Sunday, October 25 at 12:30 PM

FRESH START

A church-wide class about what it means to be a part of Grace Temple

DATE	TIME	LUNCH	RSVP
OCTOBER 4	12:30	PROVIDED	ON REALM
SUNDAY	TO 2:00 PM	JOIN US AFTER WORSHIP	OR IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

New here or a member forever? You're welcome here.
Please RSVP so we can plan for lunch

**"Fresh Start" Churchwide Training
Sunday, October 4 at 12:30 PM**

Fresh Start Class is for all Church Members. No cost to attend but we do request you Register on Realm – need to be sure we have a meal for you! Childcare will be provided.

DBA Annual Meeting

Ephesians 3:20

MORE

October 1, 2026

At this year's DBA annual meeting, we are asking God for more. More healthy pastors, more healthy churches, and more new churches. All of this leading to healthier communities and the Gospel of Jesus Christ spreading throughout our geographic region.

Make plans to join us at
FBC Richardson
1001 N. Central Expressway
Richardson, TX 75080

9:00 AM Exhibits open
9:30 AM Annual Business Session
10:00 AM Annual Celebration
11:00 AM Workshops focused on the specific needs of pastors and church leaders
12:00 PM Lunch provided by Mt. Lebanon Baptist Encampment

Register here

www.dba.net/am2026

GRACE STUDENTS

PUMPKIN CARVING PARTY

OCTOBER 30TH

\$5 ENTRY START AT 6 PM - 9 PM

BRING YOUR OWN PUMPKIN. PRIZES FOR WINNERS

Grace Students - Pumpkin Carving

There'll be music, fun, food, candy, and a pumpkin carving contest with prizes for the winners.

Don't forget to bring your own pumpkin. Judging will be at 8 PM.

There is a \$5 per person entry fee.

Friday, October 30 from 6-9 PM

GRACE TEMPLE BAPTIST

CONCERT OF PRAYER

A MORNING OF PRAYER AND WORSHIP

10.25.26 | 10:30 am

Concert of Prayer

Join us at the end of the month for a special Concert of Prayer during the Joint Service.

Prayer Guides will be available for the Week of Prayer October 19-23 prior to the Concert of Prayer.

Sunday, October 25 at 10:30 AM

CHURCHWIDE WEEK OF PRAYER OCTOBER 19-23

GTBC STUDENT MINISTRY

BREAKFAST TACOS

A Student Fundraiser

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
AVAILABLE 8:30 TO 9:30 AM

✓ Sausage & Egg ✓ Potato & Egg ✓ Chorizo & Egg

Tacos Available by Donation

WMU/DBA Women's Retreat

OCTOBER 16-17, 2026

LUKE 1:37

IS ANYTHING IMPOSSIBLE FOR GOD?

DATES: OCTOBER 16-17, 2026
LOCATION: MT. LEBANON CAMP 1701 Texas Plume Rd Cedar Hill, TX 75104
COST: \$95 PER PERSON (Includes conferences, lodging, and meals.)
CAMPFIRE NIGHT: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16 9:00 PM - 10:00 PM

SPEAKERS: TAMIKO JONES, IRENE GALLEGOS, OLGA HARRIS & ANA PEREZ.

Christmas on 9th Street

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2026

A little Christmas cheer this Halloween!

Candy Food Community

804 W 9TH STREET, DALLAS, TX 75208

Financial Information August 2026

Budget Income \$17,367.94
Budget Expenses \$45,269.27
Designated Giving \$1,565.00
Designated Spending \$7,503.38

We are so grateful for your faithful giving!

Happy Birthday

QR code for birthday celebration