

## **NEW TO GC?**

Stop by the Guest Connection Desk today after our worship assembly. We'd love to meet you!

## **WELCOME!**

We're so glad that you chose to join us today in our time of worship and praise! At Grace Chapel, we strive to be a community on mission together. Our hope for you today is that you have a personal encounter with the love of God and an experience with people who care.

## **OUR MISSION**

To be disciples who make disciples who make disciples (2 Timothy 2:2).



December Message Series

## **FOR OUR GUESTS**

New around here? We're so glad to see you today! Stop by our **Guest Connection Desk** in the lobby to pick up a gift from us. Questions or need assistance? Feel free to ask a member of our **Host Team** (anyone wearing an orange lanyard).

Got kids? During our worship service, preschool and elementary school children are invited to join our GC Kids large group environments, **Graceland** and **Oasis**. Little ones under three years old are welcome in our fully-staffed **nursery**. Stick around after worship service for our adult Bible classes and kids small groups, beginning at 10:45 a.m.

We'd love to connect with you! Scan here or text "NEW" to 833-272-1249.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**













For more details on upcoming events, see our events calendar online or in the GC app.

# PRAYER REQUESTS • DECEMBER 14, 2025

### **MEDICAL**

John Wood: John is healing well after a head injury from a fall in New York, which caused a brain bleed. During his recovery, his pancreatic cancer clinical trial medications were paused, allowing him to spend a few days at home. Thankfully, John experienced no nausea or vomiting following the fall.

Praise God, John returned to New York last Friday and has resumed his clinical trial treatments. His father, Ron, is by his side, and other family members will join them next week for Christmas. John's oncologist is encouraged by his progress in the trial.

Please continue to pray for the success of John's treatment, relief from pain, and complete healing. We also ask for strength, peace, and comfort for John, Alicia, and their entire family during this challenging season.

Rosemary Lisby: Rosemary continues to experience periodic numbness in her right foot caused by a pinched nerve in her back. This has been especially challenging because Rosemary cannot safely drive right now. Please pray that some upcoming treatment being scheduled for mid-January will bring complete healing. Also remember her husband, Greg, as he cares for her—and serves as her chauffeur for now.

Susan Boling: Susan is making steady progress in her recovery from hip replacement surgery. She is now able to sit, stand, and lie down, though she continues to experience some back pain and the normal challenges of surgical recovery. We are grateful that Susan is in a much better mental and emotional place than just a

few weeks ago—thank You, Lord, for answering prayers for relief! Please continue to pray for her complete restoration of mobility, strength, and overall health.

Calli (Bo Edwards' sister): Calli is back home after spending several weeks in a mental health facility in Charlotte, NC. Please pray for continued healing, renewed motivation, and peace in her home with her husband and their special needs son.

Tyler Davidson: Tyler was recently diagnosed with a rare congenital heart condition which doctors plan to treat by performing a heart ablation, scheduled for December 23. In the meantime, his doctors continue to monitor him closely.

Until surgery, Tyler is on light duty instead of his usual one-day-on, two-days-off rotation with the Cherokee County Fire Department. He's grateful to still be able to work during this time. The upcoming procedure is expected to allow him to live a normal, healthy life. Please pray for Tyler's medical team, a timely surgery, and full recovery. Also, lift up his wife, Tori, and their three young children during this time.

Grace Brown: Grace continues to receive immunotherapy treatments for lung cancer, taking daily oral medication and weekly infusions. We are thankful to share encouraging news: recent scans show the treatment is working! The main tumor in her lung has shrunk from 4.5 cm to less than 2 cm, and the lesions in her brain and hip are also shrinking—some are no longer visible. Praise God for this progress, for the right doctor, and for insurance

coverage that made this treatment possible. Please continue to pray for complete healing, strength, and peace for Grace and her family as she continues therapy. condition. Pain management is currently under control. David credits Carolyn for keeping him alive—she is a wonderful caregiver. They continue regular doctor visits as Carolyn also faces health challenges, yet both maintain positive attitudes. David and Carolyn welcome calls or visits.

### **OUR SICK AND SAINTS AT HOME**

Please remember in your prayers the following GC members who have ongoing health issues and are generally unable to attend worship services:

Esther and Russ Johnson: Esther continues to face a number of health challenges, including Parkinson's disease. Recent cardiology and other test results did not indicate any specific issue to explain Esther's ongoing lack of energy. However, as a precaution, her cardiologist may perform a heart catheterization soon. Besides continued weakness, her breathing is still not as comfortable as it should be. We pray that God will give strength and vitality to both Esther and Russ, and that Esther is able to breathe normally again.

Bert and Joyce Blackwell: Pray for Bert's declining health and for Joyce as his caregiver. Joyce says that they continue to hang in there. Melissa Boyle is helping to coordinate meals; you may sign up to take a meal at <a href="mailto:mealtrain.com/trains/yrzl3k">mealtrain.com/trains/yrzl3k</a>. Feel free to send Joyce a text of encouragement (no calls, please); she so appreciates it.

David and Carolyn Wheeler: David cannot be around large crowds due to his weak immune system. He is battling cancer in both kidneys as well as prostate cancer. Thankfully, neither has spread, and we pray that this remains the case since surgery is not an option for either

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU? Send us your prayer requests at gracechapelchurch.com/pray





**THIS MONTH'S SERIES:** Many families hit the road during the Christmas season, whether it's to visit loved ones or take a much-needed break. It's a time-honored tradition—one that might even be traced back to the first Christmas, when a bright star dropped a pin on a special location to guide people to the birthplace of the savior.

In this 3-week series, kids will learn that God gives hope to guide us, God gives a Savior to guide us, and God gives direction to guide us.

#### THIS WEEK'S LESSON

This week, kids follow the story of how a star helped the Magi visit Jesus and worship him.

**BIG IDEA:** God gives direction to guide us.

**BIBLE:** Matthew 2:1–12

**MEMORY VERSE:** "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12b NIV).



Youth Night: Sundays, 5-8 p.m., GC Youth Room

Come party with us! All 6th through 12th graders are invited to our "Christmas Morning" Christmas party tonight. Wear your coziest PJs (church-appropriate) as we enjoy breakfast for dinner, a fun white elephant gift exchange, our annual dessert contest, and more!

#### YOUTH NIGHT SCHEDULE

TONIGHT: "Christmas Morning" Christmas Party

12/21: No Youth Night 12/28: No Youth Night



YN Tonight!

### **UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS**

Dec. 22–23: HS Overnight Feb. 13–15: Winterfest

For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Youth calendar online or in the GC app.









TEXT UPDATES: Text your keyword to (833) 272-1249: GC Youth Parents: gcyouthparents
MS Students: gcyouthms | HS Students: gcyouthhs

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Hosanna

Welcome Rocky Wyatt

Joy to the World

A Wonderful Savior

I Will Never Be the Same

Communion Greg Lisby

Glorify Thy Name

Offering Greg Lisby

Kids Dismissal Rocky Wyatt

Worthy Is the Lamb

Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

Message: Gift of Wisdom Rob Shaver

Gifts of the Season: Part 2

Jesus Is Lord

Next Steps Rocky Wyatt

Shepherd's Prayer Ed Brooks





LAST WEEK (12/7/25)



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