





Church family,

When I came on staff at Grace Bible Church in 1983, there was one passage that was central in my thinking: "And He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" (Ephesians 4:11 –12). These verses outline the desire of the head of the church, the Lord Jesus Christ, for His church. His will is for God's people to be equipped to be able to minister and serve. That goal is behind almost everything we do here at GBC. The following ministries happening in the life of our church provide opportunities for you to be equipped for ministry and to serve others in our church body through your involvement this spring.

Sincerely,

Pastor Bryan,

Senior Pastor



GLOBAL OUTREACH CONFERENCE

February 13-16, 2025

The theme for this year's conference is "Defining and Defending the Word of Christ in the World" from Mathew 28:20. Keynote speaker will be Dr. Evan Burns. Flag ceremony will take place Sunday, February 9, 2025, during both Sunday morning services.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 16-20, 2025

In this western-themed VBS, kids will learn all about who this amazing Jesus is as we dig into questions such as:

- What amazing things happened surrounding Jesus' birth?
- What was Jesus like as a child and teen?
- What wonders occurred during Jesus' ministry years?
- How were Jesus' death and resurrection like no other?
- What should we be doing as we wait for Jesus' return?

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BIBLICAL COUNSELING CONFERENCE

July 17-19, 2025

It's hard to believe, but many professing Christians don't believe that Christ and His Word are sufficient for all that ails us in this life. The sufficiency of Christ is under attack and we must address this important truth. At this conference, we will examine Christ's sufficiency as it relates to:

- Counseling and your hermeneutic
- Job: A case study on depression
- Emotions
- Helping the suicidal
- Getting to the heart
- One's past
- Crisis
- Sinful worry
- Conflict resolution
- Growing through failure, fatigue, and frustration
- Trials and suffering
- Common grace
- Parenting wayward children

Speakers include authors and nationally known speakers Dr. Stuart Scott, Brad Bigney, Dr. Nicolas Ellen, Randy Patten, Matt Thibault, and Kevin Carson.

GRACE LIBRARY

Tuesday and Thursdays, 9am-1pm Before and after services on Sunday

Grace Library has media for education, entertainment, and encouragement in your Christian walk. On Sunday morning, you can pick up books for your little ones to look at during the service. Our "pew sitters" are located in the blue boxes in our library - no need to check them out, just pick them up before service, and drop them off after.

Our library has faithful staff who volunteer their time and expertise to serve you every Sunday, and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am - 1pm. For more information, contact Debra Amunrud.



E4:12 9:00am | Chapel

E4:12 (short for Ephesians 4:12) is an adult Sunday school designed to equip believers for the Christian life. This semester, we are going to be working together on how to get the most out of God's Word during our own personal time/study (focusing especially on some challenging genres, such as narrative, law, and prophecy). We will also be tackling some apologetic topics such as feminism, abortion, and creation science. Join us for donuts, coffee, fellowship, and encouragement from God's Word! Contact Pastor Jesse at jessek@gbcmt.org with any questions. **Study begins January 19.**

GENERATIONS

9:00am | Fireside Room

Generations is an adult Sunday school class designed to help you grow in your knowledge of God and His Word, to mature in Christlikeness, and to practice the "one anothers" with other believers across a multigenerational spectrum. Join us as we begin a new series titled *Short Letters, Timeless Truths.* In this series, we will unpack the powerful truths from the one chapter books of the New Testament (Philemon, 2 John, 3 John, and Jude). For more information, contact Pastor Derek at derekm@gbcmt.org. **Class begins January 12.**

BIBLICAL SOUL CARE

9:00am | Room 803

Growing in the Crucible of Life, a study of life in the crucible and the invaluable lessons to be learned along the way. Dr. Craig Rowe and Pastor Blake will lead a study on humility, sanctification, fear of man, attributes of God, redeeming the past, and learning lessons from a wasted life (study in Judges). Class begins January 12.

EARLYWEDS

9:00am | Activity Center

Focusing on intentional community and targeted teaching, Earlyweds seeks to cultivate thriving marriages that mirror the astounding relationship between Christ and His church. While open especially to those who are newly married, all married couples are invited to join a mutually encouraging community that works out the real questions of marriage to the glory of Christ. For more information, contact Dan Wielenga. Class resumes January 5.



MEN'S EVENTS

If you desire to fellowship with other believers and learn from God's Word, join us at our men's events; details and sign-ups for events will be announced as their date approaches. For more information, contact Pastor Derek at derekm@gbcmt.org.

MEN'S STUDIES

Various groups of men gather to study God's Word or a Christian resource throughout the valley at various times of the week. If you desire help finding a men's study, contact Pastor Derek at derekm@gbcmt.org.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Thursdays, 6:30am-7:30am | Fireside Room

Join a group of GBC men for breakfast and a study through the book of Mark - a look at the life of Christ from His baptism to the cross. For more information, contact Jim Boorman. **Begins January 9.**



WOMEN'S EVENTS

If you desire to fellowship with other believers and learn from God's Word, join us at our women's events this spring. Details and sign-ups for future events will be announced as their date approaches. For more information, contact Heidi Summitt at heidis@gbcmt.org.

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MEMBERSHIP CLASS March 23, 30, April 6, 10:45am | Room 803

We believe that church membership is a valuable tool that helps us practically commit to loving and serving one another as a family. If you are a committed follower of Christ and regularly attend GBC, consider becoming a member. For more information, contact Pastor Derek at derekm@gbcmt.org.

PRE-MARITAL COUNSELING Wednesdays, 7:00pm | Room 402

Sessions address finances, honoring parents, communication, expectations, roles, peacemaking, and physical intimacy. Attendance is a requirement for those planning to be married by a GBC pastor. This course is also a good foundation for any couple considering marriage. For more information and to register, contact Pastor Jeremy at jeremys@gbcmt.org. **Our 9-week course begins January 29**.

GRACE NOTES Tuesdays, 6:30pm | Music Ministry Room

Use your musical talents and training to contribute to the joy of glorifying our LORD through instrumental praise! Grace Notes welcomes a spectrum of ages and stages of musical development with a few stipulations. For more information, contact Becky McCotter.

MUSIC-WORSHIP MINISTRY

Vocal groups lead in our corporate worship gatherings a couple times each semester. Ability to read music is necessary. For questions, more information, or to inquire about possible openings, contact Pastor Jeremy at jeremys@gbcmt.org.

Men of Grace rehearses Tuesdays, 6:45am - 7:30am Women of Grace rehearses Mondays, noon - 1:00pm

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTERS

International Harvesters is under the leadership of the global outreach committee and the elders at Grace Bible Church. Our desire is to foster awareness and regular support of our outreach partners. For more information, contact Jacquie Landis.



GRACELIFE (Life and Fellowship Ministry) Several times a month

GraceLife is geared toward post-college adults, singles, married couples, and young families. Our primary focus is to grow in Christlikeness as we pray for and encourage one another through different events like hiking, game nights, bike rides, camping, service projects, etc. For more information on current events and community outreach service projects, contact Adam Dick.



WEEK OF JANUARY 12 - WEEK OF APRIL 20

Various Times & Locations

Community groups exist to help our church family connect relationally and grow spiritually. Our desire is that you would:

- 1. Know and be known by your group.
- 2. Love and be loved by your group.
- 3. Disciple and be discipled by your group.

Various community groups meet throughout the area on different nights of the week. If you are interested in joining a community group, email Pastor Derek at derekm@gbcmt.org.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDIES

Tuesdays 6:15am - 7:30am | Room 102-03

1 Peter and The Discipline of Grace

We will slowly study 1 Peter using hermeneutics over a two-week period. To deepen our understanding, we will listen to sermons by Pastor Bryan and read portions from Warren Wiersbe's commentary to gain more insight. In the weeks between our discussion of 1 Peter, we will read a chapter from the book *The Discipline of Grace* by Jerry Bridges.

Resumes January 7. For more information and to sign-up, contact Jeanelle Fromelt.

Mondays, 10:00am - 11:30am | Room 803

Be Right: A Study of Romans

Be Right: A Study of Romans using Warren Wiersbe's commentary. Text Carol Sanford to join. Space is limited. **Begins January 6.**

GREETINGS BY GRACE 2nd Wed, 1:00pm—3:30pm | Room 102-03

This group meets for the purpose of making handmade greeting cards for the personal use of our military men and women so they can stay in touch with loved ones. Materials are provided; come anytime. Contact Kathy Umbaugh.

CRIBS BY GRACE

Share Jesus' love with local families by setting up a new crib in their home or provide childcare while others make crib deliveries. Opportunities to serve are flexible (based on individual availability and giftedness). Deliveries to qualified families take place throughout the year. Servant-hearted saints needed! Contact Lisa Lang with questions.

MOMS IN PRAYER Weekly during the school year | various locations

The goal of Moms in Prayer is that every school be covered in prayer. Moms and concerned ladies pray for children ranging from infants through college/career, along with a school of their choice. For more information, contact Nadine Brown.



CROSSLIFE

Thursdays, 7:00pm | Chapel

CrossLife's goal is to bring God glory by training and equipping college-aged adults for a lifetime of faithful and passionate devotion to Christ and His church. We worship God through teaching, fellowship, singing, and prayer. **Begins January 16.**

For more information, contact Pastor Jon at jonm@gbcmt.org or Pastor Jesse at jessek@gbcmt.org. Check out our website at crosslifeatgrace.com or our Facebook and Instagram pages.

CROSSLIFE COMMUNITY GROUPS

Various Times & Locations

CrossLife community groups (small groups that meet throughout the week) are designed to facilitate verse-by-verse study of the Word of God and provide opportunities for fellowship among like-minded believers. Men's and women's studies are available in various locations, from MSU's campus to private homes. For more information, contact Pastor Jon at jonm@gbcmt.org or Pastor Jesse at jessek@gbcmt.org.

4N CONNECTION

Various Times & Locations

4N Connection is an outreach to international students with the goal of introducing them to the gospel. Our desire is to serve them through the four "N's" - nourish, network, nature, and nurture. We have a weekly Bible study where we nourish the students through dinner and the study of God's Word. We help students network by connecting them with employers, American friends, and other international students. Students experience God's creation through camping, hiking, and fishing. All of this aids in the ultimate goal of nurturing international students spiritually by introducing them to Jesus Christ. For more information, contact Corey at coreys@gbcmt.org.



GRACE STUDENTS (6th - 12th GRADE)

Sundays (9:00am), Wednesdays (6:30pm) Middle School - Jr. High Room | High School - Youth Room

We are a ministry for young people to gather for fellowship, engaging worship music, and Bible teaching. Our mission is to glorify God by seeing lives changed and raising up the next generation of passionate Christ followers.

Each Wednesday night, both the middle school and high school groups will gather for fun, fellowship, and a study of the book of Daniel in a series titled, "Thriving in Babylon." On Sundays, students are invited to attend "equipping class" during first service, where we will have discussions and studies about various topics.

For more information, contact Eli at elid@gbcmt.org (high school) or Matthew at matthewh@gbcmt.org (middle school).



INFANTS TO 5th GRADE

If you want to learn more about children's Sunday school or want to serve in Grace Kids, contact Pastor Andy at andyg@gbcmt.org.

AWANA

Wednesdays, 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Awana is for children ages 2-years-old through 6th grade. We focus on Scripture memory, Bible teaching, and have a lot of fun! If you would like to serve, or just learn more about Awana, contact Durward Sobek. **Resumes January 8, 2025.**

KINDER PLAY

Thursdays, 10:00am - 11:30am | Activity Center

Bring your kids (walking-age to 6-years-old) to participate in gymnastics stations, learn in Bible story time, and to have fun singing and snacking at Kinder Play! For more information or to volunteer, contact Cheryl Ehresmann. Kinder Play runs January 16 - April 17; no meetings February 20 and March 20. Register at the door or at gbcmt.org/kinderplay.