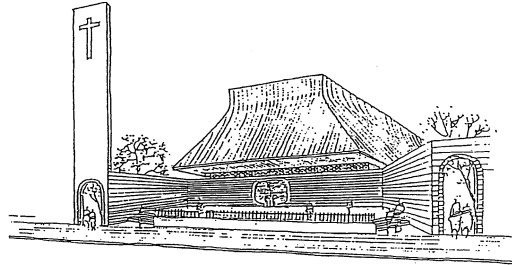


Grace Baptist Church

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Implementing the “Golden 5 Years”

Lift up the Holy Bible; stand firm in the cities; reach out to the ends of the earth



Looking to GBC's 70 years

PRAISING ON, PRESSING ON

As one body in Christ, we praise God's name and make known His mighty acts among the peoples from one generation to another.

I rejoiced with those who said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.” ~ Psalm 122:1

	Time	Worship Services	Suitable for	Location
Chinese Services	6:00-7:10 p.m.	Saturday Night Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
	8:30-9:40 a.m.	Morning Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Students' Service	All / Students	Coleman Hall
	11:30 a.m.-12:40 p.m.	Noon Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
	6:00-7:10 p.m.	Evening Service		Room 401
English Services	10:00-11:10 a.m.	Morning Service		Sanctuary/Online
	5:30-7:00 p.m.	Evening Service		Coleman Hall
Others	10:00-11:15 a.m.	Taiwanese Service	All	Room 301
	11:20-11:40 a.m.	Children's Service	Children (age 7-12)	Kindergarten
	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Bilingual Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
Prayer Meetings	Wed. 7:00-8:15 p.m.	Chinese Prayer Meeting		Room 401
	Wed. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	English Prayer Meeting		Room 301/Online

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Welcome to Grace Baptist Church English Congregation.
Thank you for choosing to worship with us and celebrate the glory of our Lord.

Morning Worship Service – 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 3, 2023

Prelude
Advent Reading
Greeting/Prayer
Worship through Music
Pastoral Prayer
Worship through Music

Offertory Prayer
Tithes and Offerings
Doxology
Lord's Supper
Missions Offering
Pray for Our Church
Scripture Reading
Message
Response Song
Benediction
Welcome
Closing Song
Postlude



Joy Kong
Chilton Family
Cherrie Lim

Pastor Nick Brideson
Cherrie Lim

Maria Sagita

Minister Priscilla Liao
Pastor Nick Brideson

Cherrie Lim
Joy Kong



Nursery:
0-3 y.o.; wear a
mask over 2 y.o.

- A. Cry Room** - at the back of the Sanctuary/Coleman Hall, during services
B. Kindergarten Green Room - during AM service only; enter next to GBC's back door; must have at least one parent there

Evening Worship Service – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 3, 2023

Prelude
Advent Reading
Prayer
Worship through Music
Greeting
Pastoral Prayer
Worship through Music

Offertory Prayer
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"Here I Am to Worship"

"How Great Is Our God"
"Psalm 150"
"I Want to Know You"

MaryAnn Chiu
Helina Lao/Mariajosé Carbajal
Peter Chiu, Leader

Pastor Nick Brideson
Peter Chiu, Leader

Sarah Huang

Minister Priscilla Liao
Pastor Nick Brideson

Peter Chiu, Leader
MaryAnn Chiu

Our Vision Is to Spread the Gospel

To achieve this, we aim:

- To become a house of prayer
 - Through prayer, to build the body of Christ
 - From the body, to do the work of mission in Taipei, Taiwan, and neighboring countries
- "but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;
and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,
and even to the remotest part of the earth." - Acts 1:8 (NASB)*

Sermon Topic: Genesis: The First Week

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-3; 2:1-3

Speaker: Pastor Nick Brideson

December 3, 2023

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-3; 2:1-3 (NASB)

Genesis 1:1-3 (NASB)

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

Genesis 2:1-3 (NASB)

¹ Thus the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their hosts. ² By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. ³ Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

Notes:

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting (Physical & Online)

"My house shall be called a house of prayer" (Matthew 21:13)

Let us be a church of prayer!

English prayer meeting meets 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. every Wednesday in GBC Room 301. The online prayer meeting via Zoom is also available at the same time. Please join us either in GBC or online. Send an email to ecprayerteam@gbc.org.tw if you are interested in joining the Zoom prayer meeting or if you have a prayer request.

Prayer focus for this coming Wednesday: **Caring/Healing/Families**

Happy Birthday, Jesus! Special Christmas Missions Offering

Just like the wise men from the Orient who offered precious frankincense, gold and myrrh to King Jesus, let us consider what gift we will offer in honor of His birth.

Prepare your heart to generously participate because on **December 17th**, we all will have a unique opportunity to give a gift to Jesus in support of the reason He was born, namely for the entire world to share in Jesus' love through the Gospel.



Explore the Bible Winter Session – Starts TODAY



Our adult Sunday school classes will begin *Explore the Bible* winter session from TODAY. Five *Explore the Bible* adult classes are available. Please join one of the classes directly listed on page 6.

Upcoming 70th Anniversary Events

- 12/10 (Sun) – GBC 70th Anniversary Celebration Sunday Services (AM ONLY)

**** NOTE: GBC (Chinese & English)**

**Thanksgiving Tea – 1:30 p.m. Dec. 10
Coleman Hall**

Christmas Parade – December 23 ~

Sharing Christmas Joy with the People of Taipei City

Some local government officials (Christian) have planned a Christmas parade for Saturday, Dec. 23 from 3:00-5:30 p.m. on Hsin Sheng South Road (so called "Heavenly Road"). The Taipei City Mayor will lead the parade, and people from some nearby churches will participate.

GBC has been invited to join this parade, and we hope at least 150 people from GBC will participate to help share the joy of Christmas as well as give out gifts and flyers to let people know the true meaning of Christmas and invite them to church.

We encourage you to take part in this meaningful Christian Christmas parade. Please register as soon as possible using the QR code provided (or go to our website to register, at: ec.gbc.org.tw). Deadline for registration is: **December 10**



Announcement from GBC HR Committee

GBC welcomes any constructive suggestions or recommendations with respect to its governance raised by the congregation. Please specify the matter in a letter including your name and contact information. Put the letter into the "GBC Administrative Mailbox" or email hrgroup@gbc.org.tw for GBC to follow up and respond accordingly.



Pray for the Nations by Flag ~ Myanmar

1. Pray that God will help different religious groups in Myanmar strive for reconciliation and end their discrimination against Christians.
2. Pray for the protection of thousands of vulnerable refugees who lost their homes due to ongoing conflicts.
3. Pray that successful training in persecution survival will bring hope, encouragement, and perseverance to local Christians.



For prayer details visit: ec.gbc.org.tw

 2023 Christmas and Year-End Events			
☆☆☆ ENGLISH SERVICES IN BOLD ☆☆☆			
Date	Time	Event	Location
Dec. 8 (Fri.)	19:45 – 21:30	Yin Qi Christmas Music Presentation (request tickets at GBC front desk)	Sanctuary
Dec. 9 (Sat.)	15:00 – 17:30	Yin Qi Christmas Music Presentation (request tickets at GBC front desk)	Sanctuary
	19:30 – 21:00	Yin Qi Christmas Music Presentation (request tickets at GBC front desk)	Sanctuary
Dec. 10 (Sun.)	14:00 – 16:00	Mabuhay Fellowship Christmas Program	B05
Dec. 16 (Sat.)	14:00 – 17:00	Front Deck Ministry – <i>Christmas Plant DIY</i>	Front Deck
	18:00 – 19:10	Saturday Night Service - Choir Presentation	Sanctuary
Dec. 17 (Sun.)	8:30 – 9:40	Christmas Choir Presentation	Sanctuary
	11:30 – 12:30	AWANA Christmas Celebration	Room 401
	11:30 – 12:40	Christmas Joint Choir Presentation	Sanctuary
	17:30 – 19:00	Choir Christmas Presentation (Evening)	Sanctuary
Dec. 23 (Sat.)	14:00 – 17:00	Front Deck Ministry – <i>Afternoon Miracle Concert</i>	Front Deck
<div>  </div> Dec. 24 (Sun.)	10:00 – 11:10	Choir Christmas Presentation (Morning)	Sanctuary
	11:15-12:50	Children's Christmas Event	Kindergarten
	11:20 – 12:30	Joint Christmas Celebration Tea (Led by Morning Tea Team; Evening Christmas Potluck combined with Morning's)	Coffee Deck
	19:30 – 21:30	Christmas Evangelical Musical – <i>Waiting for True Peace in Turmoil</i>	Sanctuary
	22:00 – 23:00	Christmas Eve Service	Coleman Hall
	22:00 – 23:00	Christmas Eve Service	Sanctuary
	23:00 – 01:00	Christmas Eve Midnight Concert	Sanctuary
Dec. 31 (Sun.)	21:00 – 22:30	Year-End Prayer Meeting	Room 401
	23:00 – 00.10	Year-End Communion Service	Colemen Hall
Jan. 6 (Sat.)	11:00 – 13:30	Indian Christmas & New Year Celebration	Coleman Hall

Mabuhay Fellowship

Today, December 3 at 2 p.m. in Basement Room B05, the Mabuhay Fellowship will continue its preparations for its December 10 Christmas gathering.

The Mabuhay Fellowship comprises Filipinos aiming to share God's love and light through worship, prayer, Bible study, fellowship, gospel sharing, and other ministries.



Mabuhay Fellowship Christmas Celebration

On **December 10** at 2 p.m. in Basement Room B05, the Mabuhay Fellowship will celebrate the birth of the Lord Jesus. We will have worship through songs, special numbers, and an inspirational talk by Dr. Shirley Ho, Professor of the Old Testament at the China Evangelical Seminary. There will be an optional exchanging of gifts; for those who want to join, each gift's cost is NT\$200 or more. You and your family and friends are all welcome!



Moana Missionary Commissioning Service

GBC will hold a Missionary Commissioning Ceremony for Moana at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, 7 January, 2024 in the Sanctuary. Moana is a cross-cultural missionary being sent by GBC. We invite you to participate in this Commissioning Ceremony with your prayers, blessings, and joyful hearts. We thereby support Moana in working with God on her missionary journey.

Invitation by GBC Church Missions Department



English Congregation Leaders

English Leading Pastor: Nick Brideson

Pastor Nick Brideson		Minister Priscilla Liao	
Adult Education Pastor Nick Brideson nick@gbc.org.tw Youth (Grades 7 to 12) Ethan & Sarah Chow Michael Dellinger michael@dondellinger@gmail.com Foreign Mission: - Medical/Dental Team Armand Lim rmanlim@gmail.com - Leadership Training Pastor Nick Brideson nick@gbc.org.tw Orphanage Ministry Julie Chen yuling0914@gmail.com Mabuhay Fellowship Ava Zamora avazam13@gmail.com Small Groups - English Foundations - Ethiopian Students Group - HsinChu Bible Study Group - Indian Bible Study Fellowship - International Students Group - Salt & Light - Thursday Night Bible Study Group	Morning Greeters Arjun Puvvala nagarjuna.chemist@gmail.com Alltrin Dhana Raja Gopal alltrin.chim99@gmail.com Morning Fellowship Tea Yuri Shih Yuchen_phone@hotmail.com Evening Greeters Vicky Kuo asiaglobe999@gmail.com Evening Fellowship Tea/Baptism Celebration Fellowship Michelle Cheng yealincheng@yahoo.com Baptism Support Michael Dellinger michael@dondellinger@gmail.com Morning Music Worship Cherrie Gow Lim cvgow@yahoo.com Morning Multimedia Vicky Lin gbcmorningmedia@gmail.com Evening Music Team Helina Lao/Praise Tan/Peter Chiu gbcworshipteam@gmail.com Evening Multimedia Grant Burgess grantburgess@live.co.za	Morning Visitors Ministry Tim Chilton xiangfu@hotmail.com Cry Room Children's Care Green Room Children's Care Sandra Hsu coihsu@gmail.com Preschool Joanna Peng Joanna1285@gmail.com AWANA Spark Group Crystal Turner elisayeh@yahoo.com AWANA T&T Group Ming Lai minglai88@gmail.com Prayer Ministry Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw Amanda Lou (Zoom) lou.amanda@gmail.com Hospital Visitation Amanda Lou lou.amanda@gmail.com Deacon Yuri Shih yuchen_phone@hotmail.com	Adult Choir Juliet Jao lenyinjao@gmail.com Hallel Singers Cherrie Gow Lim cvgow@yahoo.com Young Adults Fellowship Atli Locklear locklear.atli@gmail.com Kristen Montgomery KLMontgomery@me.com Small Groups - Hospital Visitation Group - Mission Caring Group - NTU Conversation Group - Parenting Group Transformation Group Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw Taiwan Mission: - TaiTung Team Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw Foreign Mission: - VBS Team Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw Alternate Deacon Paul Han singleoo@gmail.com
		Secretarial staff <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> SueJenny Hsu suejenny@gbc.org.tw Stella Chen (part-time) stella@gbc.org.tw </div>	

★ Sunday School Information – Join the class directly★		
** Beginning Christian Life		
Christianity 101 - required for baptism (Yuri Shih)	11:30 a.m.	Mount of Olives (also online) Yuchen_phone@hotmail.com
** Maturing Christians – “Explore the Bible”		
Five classes available at two times for this Sunday school study: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <u>11:30 a.m.</u> WanFu 22 (Kevin Hartman) Room B03 (Maria Sagita) Room B04 (Roy Treurnicht) Room B05 (Ava Zamora) </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <u>2:30 p.m.</u> Room 305 (Rod Syverson) </div> </div> <div style="margin-left: 150px; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Indonesian Friendly</div>		
** Youth: Grade 7 and above		
(Leading teacher: Michael Dellinger)	11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Room 405
** Children		
Nursery - Age 3 and under	9:50 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Kindergarten Green Room
Preschool - Age 3 to 5	11:40 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.	Room 403
AWANA – Kindergarten (大班) to Grade 6	11:20 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Rooms 401/404

★ Fellowships – Join a fellowship directly ★		
Fellowship	Time	Location
Mabuhay	Sundays 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	B05
Young Adults (20 - 35 y.o.)	1 st & 3 rd Saturdays 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.	WanFu 22

★ Transformation Groups (Friday 7:15-8:45 p.m.) – Contact Minister Priscilla for details ★

★ Small Groups – Contact the leader to join ★			
Type	Name	Day/Time	Location/Contact Emails
English Conversation	English Foundations	Thursday 7:00 – 8:30 pm	Room 405 roytreur@gmail.com
Students	NTU Friday English Conversation Group	Friday 12:20 - 1:10 pm	NTU priscilla@gbc.org.tw
	International Students Group	Sunday 7:45 - 9:45 pm	WanFu 22A cesaledro57@gmail.com
Language/Nationality	Ethiopian Students Group	Sunday 7:00 - 9:00 pm	Room 307 tarenefo2015@gmail.com
Family	Parenting Group	2 nd & 4 th Sunday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	GBC Room 402 rod_syverson@hotmail.com
General	Thursday Night Bible Study Group	Thursday 7:30 - 9:00 pm	Online rod_syverson@hotmail.com
	HsinChu Bible Study Group	Friday 7:30 - 8:45 pm	HsinChu rmanlim@gmail.com
	Salt & Light	Sunday 1:30 - 3:00 pm	GBC Mount of Olives Room 123456789nc@gmail.com
	Indian Bible Study Fellowship Group	Sunday 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.	WanFu yedukondaluster@gmail.com
Ministry	Hospital Visitation Group	Thursday 1:30 - 2:30 pm	Near GBC lou.amanda@gmail.com
	Mission Caring Group	Flexible	Online dreamgirls0702@hotmail.com

On break

English Congregation Participation & GBC Staff Information

2023.11.26 (Online & in Person)		Attendance	Offerings	<u>GBC Staff Contacts</u>
Service – Weekly Views		534	* 75,780	Peter Wu Senior Pastor
Morning Service		301	122,485	David Kong Assistant Senior Pastor
Evening Service		100	19,652	Hsiao Yen Shen Director of Administration Office (02) 2362-5321 #113
Wednesday Prayer Meeting		21	...	<u>GBC English Staff Contacts</u> Nick Brideson English Leading Pastor nick@gbc.org.tw Priscilla Liao English Minister priscilla@gbc.org.tw SueJenny Hsu English Secretary suejenny@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #136 Stella Chen English Part-time Secretary stella@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #132
Sunday School Classes	Preschool	85	...	
	Children			
	Youth	22	...	
	Adult	65	...	
Transformation Groups		21	...	
Small Groups		85	...	
Music	Choir	16	...	
	Hallel Singers	18	...	
Young Adults Fellowship		
Mabuhay Fellowship		6	...	

* These offerings are GBC overall online/weekly donations.

~ For information on other GBC participation and staff, see Chinese bulletin ~

Visitor Form / Prayer Request

December 3, 2023

Check (✓): ☐ AM service ☐ PM service

Welcome! We are glad you are here! This Visitor Form is for you!

If you didn't get the Visitor Card, please take a moment and fill this out. Please tear out the form and give it to an usher or the front desk or place it in the offering bag. Thank you!

Name: _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Single ☐ Married

Nationality: _____ **E-mail :** _____

Age (✓): ☐ Under 18 ☐ 18-25 ☐ 26-40 ☐ 41-55 ☐ 56-70 ☐ 71+

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ **Best day/time to call:** _____

How did you hear about GBC(✓)? ☐ Newspaper ☐ Friend ☐ GBC website ☐ Other _____

What you first noticed about Grace Baptist Church's English Congregation: _____

I'd like information on:

- ☐ Sunday School classes ☐ Youth Ministry ☐ Music Ministry
☐ Children's Ministry ☐ Prayer Ministry ☐ Weekday class

Fellowships: ☐ Mabuhay (Philippines) ☐ Young Adults

Small groups: ☐ Students ☐ General ☐ Nationality/Language: _____

☐ Other: _____

I'm willing to:

- ☐ Accept Christ ☐ Be baptized ☐ Become a church member ☐ Serve
☐ Please schedule a time for me to meet a pastor/minister