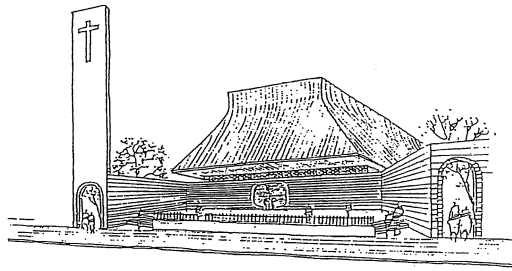


Grace Baptist Church

Sunday, December 8, 2024

Online Sermon: ec.gbc.org.tw/live-worship



LIFT UP THE HOLY BIBLE;
STAND FIRM IN THE CITIES;
REACH OUT TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

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
	6:00-7:15 p.m.	Evening Service		Room 401
English Services	10:00-11:10 a.m.	Morning Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
	5:30-7:00 p.m.	Evening Service		Coleman Hall
Others	10:00-11:15 a.m.	Taiwanese Service	All	Room 301
	11:15 a.m.-12:50 p.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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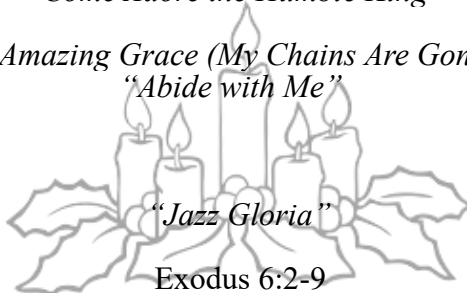
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**Welcome to Grace Baptist Church English Congregation.
Thank you for choosing to worship with us and celebrate the glory of our Lord.**

**Morning Worship Service – 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 8, 2024**

Prelude		Joy Kong
Advent Reading		Chou Family
Greeting/Prayer		Cherrie Lim
Worship through Music	<i>"Come Adore the Humble King"</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Nick Brideson
Worship through Music	<i>"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"</i>	Cherrie Lim
	<i>"Abide with Me"</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Teresa Lin
Tithes and Offerings		
Doxology		
Special Music	<i>"Jazz Gloria"</i>	Choir
Pray for Our Church		Minister Priscilla Liao
Scripture Reading	Exodus 6:2-9	
Message	God's Promise to His People	Pastor Nick Brideson
Response Song	<i>"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"</i>	
Benediction		
Welcome		
Closing Song	<i>"As the Lord Is with Us"</i>	Cherrie Lim
Postlude		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 8, 2024**

Prelude		Michael Tsai
Advent Reading		Roberts Family
Prayer		Helina Lao, Leader
Worship through Music	<i>"God Is for Us"</i>	
Greeting		
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Nick Brideson
Worship through Music	<i>"Saved My Soul"</i>	Helina Lao, Leader
	<i>"John 3:16"</i>	
	<i>"The Lord Is My Salvation"</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Vicky Kuo
Tithes and Offerings		
Pray for Our Church		Minister Priscilla Liao
Scripture Reading	Exodus 6:2-9	
Message	God's Promise to His People	Pastor Nick Brideson
Response Song	<i>"Unashamed"</i>	
Closing Prayer		
Welcome		
Closing Song	<i>"John 3:16"</i>	Helina Lao, Leader
Postlude		Michael Tsai

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: God's Promise to His People

Scripture: Exodus 6:2-9

Speaker: Pastor Nick Brideson

December 8, 2024

Scripture: Exodus 6:2-9 (NASB)

² God spoke further to Moses and said to him, "I am the LORD; ³ and I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as God Almighty, but by My name, LORD, I did not make Myself known to them. ⁴ "I also established My covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they sojourned. ⁵ "Furthermore I have heard the groaning of the sons of Israel, because the Egyptians are holding them in bondage, and I have remembered My covenant. ⁶ "Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from their bondage. I will also redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. ⁷ 'Then I will take you for My people, and I will be your God; and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸ 'I will bring you to the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and I will give it to you for a possession; I am the LORD.' " ⁹ So Moses spoke thus to the sons of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses on account of their despondency and cruel bondage.

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: **Church Ministry**

Happy Birthday, Jesus! Special Christmas Missions Offering

Don't forget, next Sunday, December 15, we will have a special opportunity to give a gift worthy of our King to the cause which brought Him to dwell among us! So, prepare your heart and your birthday present offering as we celebrate the birth of our King and anticipate the global expansion of His Kingdom of love through our gifts!



Mabuhay Fellowship Christmas Celebration



Today, December 8, at 2:00 p.m. in Basement Room B05, the Mabuhay Fellowship will have a celebration of the Lord Jesus' birth with worship through songs,

an inspirational talk, special numbers, and an optional exchanging of gifts (gift cost is at least NT\$300). Dr. Winston H. Chiu (Associate Professor of Missiology/Mission, Cross-Cultural Ministry at China Evangelical Seminary) will share the message, entitled "*Pass on a Passage of Destiny*," based on Psalm 73. We will also have special numbers and fellowship.

All are welcome to join us in this celebration. Bring your family and friends. See you later!

AWANA Christmas Invitation

AWANA is GBC's English Children's Sunday School. It will hold a



Christmas celebration called *AWANA Christmas Show* from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on December 15 (next Sunday) in Room 401 with songs, Christmas story, and special sharing by Pastor Nick. Please invite your family and friends to join directly.

Indian Community Christmas Celebration

The Indian Bible Study Fellowship Group (IBSF) will celebrate Christmas with the Indian community in Taipei on Saturday, December 21st, from 10:30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. in Coleman Hall.

We will celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus through singing, dancing, testimony sharing, video, and a message from Pastor Nick. This will be followed by lunch.

You are invited to share in the joy and celebration by joining directly then! If you have questions, please contact the Indian Bible Study Fellowship group (IBSF) leader, Timothy Meesala, at his email: yedukondaluster@gmail.com.





GBC 2024 Christmas and Year-End Events

☆☆☆ *ENGLISH SERVICES IN BOLD* ☆☆☆

Date	Time	Event	Location
Dec. 8 (Sun.)	14:00 – 16:00	Mabuhay Fellowship Christmas Program	B05
Dec. 13 (Fri.)	19:30 – 21:00	YMCA Music Concert - Messiah	Sanctuary
Dec. 14 (Sat.)	18:00 – 19:10	Saturday Night Service - Choir Presentation	Sanctuary
	8:30 – 9:40	Christmas Choir Presentation	Sanctuary
	10:00 – 11:10	Moring Service	Sanctuary
	11:30 – 12:40	Joint Christmas Choir Presentation	Sanctuary
	11:30 – 13:30	AWANA Christmas Show	401
	17:30 – 19:00	Christmas Hallel Singers Presentation	Sanctuary
Dec. 20 (Fri.)	19:30 – 21:00	Joint BTUs Christmas Event	Front Deck
Dec. 21 (Sat.)	10:30 – 14:00	Indian Christmas Celebration	Coleman Hall
Dec. 22 (Sun.)	10:00 – 11:10	Christmas Hallel Singers Presentation	Sanctuary
	11:30 – 12:30	AM Christmas Potluck	Coffee Deck
	17:30- 19:00	Evening Service	Coleman Hall
	19:00 – 20:30	PM Christmas Potluck	B01-B04
Dec. 24 (Tue.)	19:30 – 21:30	Christmas Musical Evangelism	Sanctuary
	22:00 – 23:00	Christmas Eve Service	Coleman Hall
	22:00 – 23:00	Christmas Eve Service	Sanctuary
	23:30 – 01:30	Christmas Eve Midnight Concert	Sanctuary
Dec. 31 (Tue.)	21:00 – 22:30	Year-End Prayer Meeting (<i>January 1 Wednesday Prayer Meeting cancelled</i>)	Room 401
	23:00 – 00:10	Year End Celebration/Communion Service	Coleman Hall

Scholarship/Grant Results

Twenty two people from the English Congregation have received scholarships/grants. May the Lord bless their study and guide them through their education.

The receivers' names are (in alphabetical order):

Ashebir Dingeto, Bright Mbuya, Cecilia Lujan, Chimdessa Gashu, Desalegn Aweke, Dilebo Woldesenbet, Eyasu Anjulo, Fikiru Tafase, Getachew Nadew, Habtamu Tesfaye, Hermela Birhanu, Jorge Alberto, Kirubel Teshome, Lammi Terefe, Mandy Chu, Margaret Wanjiru, Maria Jose Carbajal, Nebiyu Chali, Nelson Naboth, Netsanet Kebede, Samuel Chiu, and Saranya Seenuvasan



December 22 Christmas Potlucks

We will have Christmas Potlucks for both the morning and evening services on **December 22**:

- **Morning – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Coffee Deck)**
- **Evening – 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. (B01-B05)**



We encourage you to bring your favorite dish to share. If you can bring a dish, please bring it to the coffee deck before 10:15 a.m. for the morning service, and to Room B01 before 5:30 p.m. for the evening service. (Morning Sunday school cancelled; Afternoon classes decided by the teachers).

Helpers Needed: Please email **Teresa Lin** at fmlin660909@gmail.com (for the morning) and Michelle Cheng at yealincheng@yahoo.com (for the evening) if you can help prepare the event.

Orphanage Visit TODAY

GBC Orphanage Visitation Ministry sends big brothers/sisters to an orphanage to help orphans build their relationship with God and guide the children to trust Christ as Lord and Savior. They sing Bible songs and teach Bible stories to children. You are welcome to join this visit if you are a **GBC registered member**. We meet in GBC at the front door and leave at 2:00 p.m. **TODAY**. No training is required.

Parenting Group TODAY

GBC Parenting Group welcomes parents (including single parents) with kids of any age. We study various principles about parenting as well as enjoying fellowship with each other. The group meets at 11:30 a.m. on 2nd and 4th Sundays in Room 402. You can join the group directly **TODAY**.

2024 Christmas Festival (December 14)

The Taipei City Government will hold a Christmas Festival in Da-An Park on **December 14**. This is a one day event. Many churches in Taipei will serve in this event to celebrate Christmas. GBC English Congregation has prepared food from different cultures for lunch, dessert, and dinner. You are welcome to join the activities and please invite your friends (especially non-believers).

Alpha Course

Alpha is a 12-week course that explores the questions of life to lead people to an understanding of what it means to be a Christian. The class will discuss topics such as: Who is Jesus? How can I be sure of my faith? And why and how should I pray? Each class will start with a short video and then break into discussion groups.



This class is especially suitable for non-Christians, but anyone who wants to know more about Christianity is welcome. Please invite your non-Christian friends and family members to talk about the meaning of life.

Date/Time: Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Calvary Room (Take the stairs by the front desk, 2.5th floor)

Join Village!

What is Village? Village is a group of people who are seeking to grow in faith, community, and the mission of God! Expect good snacks, good conversation, and good community! Please join us Sundays from 2:30 p.m. in Room 402



Join directly or scan the QR Code to attend.



★ Sunday School – Join the class directly, or go to the room for information★

**** Beginning Christian Life**

Alpha – new and non-Christians (Pearce & Meghan)	11:30 a.m.	Calvary Room
Christianity 101 - required for baptism (Doug Gilmartin)	11:30 a.m.	B05

**** Maturing Christians – “Explore the Bible”**

Six classes are available at three times for this Sunday school study:

11:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.
Room B03 (Ava Zamora)	Room 305 (Rod Syverson)	Room 303 (Andrea Valle)
Room B04 (Roy Treurnicht)		
WanFu 22 (Kevin Hartman)		
Mount of Olives (Maria Sagita)	Indonesian Friendly	

**** Youth: Grade 7 and above**

(Leading teacher: Michael Dellinger)	11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Room 405
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**** 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	11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.	Rooms 401/404

★ Fellowships – Join a fellowship directly or email the leader to join★

Fellowship	Time	Location/Contact email
Mabuhay	Sundays 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	B05
Indian Fellowship	Sundays 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	WanFu 22 yedukondaluster@gmail.com

★ Transformation Group (Friday 7:15-8:45 p.m.) – New group from March 7, 2025 ★

★ Small Groups – Contact the leader to join ★

Type	Name	Day/Time	Location/Contact Emails
English Conversation	English Foundations	Thursday 7:00 – 8:30 pm	On break
Students	NTU Friday English Conversation Group	Friday 12:20 - 1:10 pm	NTU priscilla@gbc.org.tw
	International Students Group	Friday 7:30 - 9:30 pm	WanFu 22A gbcinternationalsg@gmail.com
Language/Nationality	Ethiopian Students Group	Sunday 7:00 - 9:00 pm	Room 307 bayisukiya@gmail.com
Family	Parenting Group	2 nd & 4 th Sunday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	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
	Young Adults Group	1 st & 3 rd Saturday 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	KLMontgomery@me.com
	Salt & Light	Sunday 1:30 - 3:00 pm	Mount of Olives Room 123456789nc@gmail.com
	Village	Sunday 2:30 - 4:00 pm	Room 402 pearce.roberts07@gmail.com

English Congregation Participation & GBC Staff Information

2024.12.01 (Online & in Person)		Attendance	Offerings	<u>GBC Staff Contacts</u>
Service – Weekly Views		272	*234,313	Peter Wu Senior Pastor Ivory Chung Director of Administration Office (02) 2362-5321 #113 Samuel Huang Audiovisual Support samuel@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #119
Morning Service		320	433,439	
Evening Service		83	22,198	
Wednesday Prayer Meeting		23	...	
Sunday School Classes	Preschool	13	154	GBC English Staff Contacts 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
	Children	55		
	Youth	23	...	
	Adult	80	...	
Transformation Group		
Small Groups		119	...	
Music	Choir	14	...	
	Hallel Singers	18	...	
Indian Fellowship		13	...	
Mabuhay Fellowship		12	...	

* These offerings are GBC overall online/weekly donations.

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

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