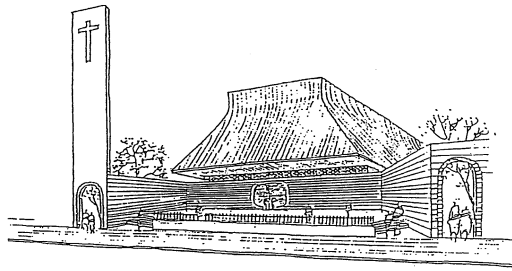


Grace Baptist Church

Sunday, December 29, 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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**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 29, 2024**

Prelude		Michael Tsai
Greeting/Prayer		Anne Tan
Worship through Music	<i>“Great Is the Lord” “Worthy of Worship”</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Nick Brideson
Worship through Music	<i>“You Are God Alone” “How Great Is Our God”</i>	Anne Tan
Offertory Prayer		Amanda Lou
Tithes and Offerings		
Doxology		
Pray for Our Church		Ming Lai
Scripture Reading	Exodus 14:5-14	
Message	God’s Power Revealed	Pastor Nick Brideson
Response Song	<i>“How Great Thou Art”</i>	
Welcome		
Closing Song	<i>“As the Lord Is with Us”</i>	Anne Tan
Postlude		Michael Tsai



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- 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 29, 2024**

Prelude		MaryAnn Chiu
Prayer		Helina Lao, Leader
Worship through Music	<i>“Rejoice”</i>	
Greeting		
Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Nick Brideson
Worship through Music	<i>“It Was Finished upon That Cross” “You Alone Can Rescue” “From Everlasting (Psalm 90)”</i>	Helina Lao, Leader
Offertory Prayer		Vicky Kuo
Pray for Our Church		Michael Huang
Scripture Reading	Exodus 14:5-14	
Message	God’s Power Revealed	Pastor Nick Brideson
Response Song	<i>“He Will Hold Me Fast”</i>	
Welcome		
Closing Prayer		
Closing Song	<i>“From Everlasting (Psalm 90)”</i>	Helina Lao, Leader
Postlude		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: God's Power Revealed

Scripture: Exodus 14:5-14

Speaker: Pastor Nick Brideson

December 29, 2024

Scripture: Exodus 14:5-14 (NASB)

⁵ When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, Pharaoh and his servants had a change of heart toward the people, and they said, "What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us?" ⁶ So he made his chariot ready and took his people with him; ⁷ and he took six hundred select chariots, and all the other chariots of Egypt with officers over all of them. ⁸ The LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and he chased after the sons of Israel as the sons of Israel were going out boldly. ⁹ Then the Egyptians chased after them with all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, his horsemen and his army, and they overtook them camping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, in front of Baal-zephon.

¹⁰ As Pharaoh drew near, the sons of Israel looked, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they became very frightened; so the sons of Israel cried out to the LORD. ¹¹ Then they said to Moses, "Is it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have you dealt with us in this way, bringing us out of Egypt? ¹² "Is this not the word that we spoke to you in Egypt, saying, 'Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness."

¹³ But Moses said to the people, "Do not fear! Stand by and see the salvation of the LORD which He will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you have seen today, you will never see them again forever. ¹⁴ "The LORD will fight for you while you keep silent."

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.

Note: January 1 Wednesday Prayer Meeting cancelled due to Year-End Prayer Meeting. (Wednesday Prayer Meetings, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in Room 301 and online, will resume from January 8.)

AWANA and Pre-school Schedule Update

Parents of elementary school age children and under, please note AWANA and Pre-school schedule changes below:

TODAY: Cancelled for Year-End Holiday

January 5, 12, and 19: Regular program

January 26 & February 2: Cancelled for Lunar New Year Holiday

February 9: Back to school

For related information or future registrations, please contact the leaders: Teacher Ming for elementary school (minglai88@gmail.com) and Teacher Joanna for preschool (joanna1285@hotmail.com).



AWANA program welcomes children - GBC membership required. Please ask teachers for details.

Thank You All!

All Glory to God for brothers and sisters who attended our Sunday services last Sunday. We would like to thank everyone for making the Christmas Potlucks such a success. It was a great time for us to get together as a church family.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the set-up or cleanup, and those who brought food. You all helped to make this year's Christmas Potlucks a special time together.

Also especially thank you to everyone (singers, musicians, PPT, ushers....) who took part in the Hallel Singers Presentation. Finally thank you for your generous giving to the "Happy Birthday, Jesus!" offering. May the Lord bless what you have done for His name.



GBC Special Services

GBC sends birthday cards and yearly offering receipts to GBC members and donation givers. If your information has changed, such as a new phone number or new address, or for information on GBC special services (below), please contact SueJenny at suejenny@gbc.org.tw, or 2362-5321 ext. 136.

- **Baptism:** GBC holds baptism services in the Sanctuary during the Evening Service from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. The baptism dates in 2025 are: February 23, June 22, and November 30.
- **Child Dedication:** Held each year on Mothers' Day during the Morning Service
- **Marriage-Related Services:** GBC provides marriage-related services for registered members (pre-marital counseling, weddings, counseling on marriage problems or questions).
- **Funerals:** If a loved one leaves this world, GBC can advise on a Christian funeral home as well as help with the funeral.

Year-End Events and Schedule Changes

As the year 2024 ends and 2025 begins, let us get together with our Lord and with each other as a church family.

Year-End Prayer Meeting:

- December 31, 9:00-10:30 p.m. in Room 401 (physical prayer meeting only)
- To give thanks for the events of 2024 & pray for 2025



Year End Celebration/Communion Service:

- December 31, 11:00 p.m. to 00.10 a.m. in Coleman Hall
- Songs of worship, testimonies of God's grace, video of remembrance, Pastor Nick's message, and taking communion as the body of Christ

Let us end 2024 with worship & begin 2025 sharing the Lord's Supper together. Everyone is welcome!

Welcome New Members!

Today we welcome new members to our church family. May the Lord bless them as we grow in Christ together here at GBC.



- ★ Baptism – 6 new members:
Flora Lai, Cecilia Lujan Ruiz Gomez, Janine Lin, Baru Debtera Bejena, Andrew Taylor, and Hans Wong
- ★ Membership Transfer – 15 new members:
Janice Chiang, Matthew Chu, Catherine Liu, Wayne Chen, Hoe Seng Ooi, Rose Huang, Catherine Ngao, Meta Goro, Ramata Mosissa, Pearce Roberts, Meghan Roberts, Zoe Pi, Ruth Fakudze, Gary Wu, and Chrisa Hua

If you feel called to be baptized or to join our GBC church family by baptism and membership transfer, please contact SueJenny at suejenny@gbc.org.tw for information.

Mabuhay Fellowship

Today, December 29, the Mabuhay Fellowship will distribute tracts.

On January 5, we will have a Tagalog prayer meeting. All Tagalog-speaking nationals are welcome.

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



English Foundations Restarts January 9

English Foundations Group provides a comfortable environment for English conversation and discussion.



If you want to practice English with a focus on life issues in an ever-changing world, please come to GBC Room 405 every Thursday 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. from January 9.

Please join the class directly.

EC Family Sharing Corner

“In everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus” 1 Thessalonians 5:18

We have a special column in this bulletin on the first Sunday of the month, “EC Family Sharing Corner”, for GBC members to express their gratitude for God’s leading, provision, and sustaining in their Christian journey.



By sharing the important events of our lives (weddings, births, graduations, retiring, passing of loved ones, answered prayers, etc.) that happened in the previous month, or will happen in the coming month, we acknowledge God’s faithfulness as we care and pray for each other.

Please include the who, when, and what of the event. Space is limited, so we will edit and possibly shorten your sharing. Send it to SueJenny at suejenny@gbc.org.tw by the last Sunday of each month (by TODAY for January).

English Congregation Leaders

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Pastor Nick Brideson		Minister Priscilla Liao	
<p>Adult Education Pastor Nick Brideson nick@gbc.org.tw</p> <p>Youth (Grades 7 to 12) Ethan & Sarah Chow Michael Dellinger michaieldondellinger@gmail.com</p> <p>Foreign Mission: - Medical/Dental Team Armand Lim rmanlim@gmail.com - Leadership Training Pastor Nick Brideson nick@gbc.org.tw</p> <p>Orphanage Ministry Julie Chen yuling0914@gmail.com Dave Gerich davegerich@gmail.com</p> <p>Mabuhay Fellowship Ava Zamora avazam13@gmail.com</p> <p>Indian Fellowship Timothy Meesala yedukondaluster@gmail.com</p> <p>Small Groups - English Foundations - Ethiopian Students Group - HsinChu Bible Study Group - Salt & Light - Thursday Night Bible Study Group</p>	<p>Morning Music Worship Cherrie Gow Lim cvgow@yahoo.com</p> <p>Morning Multimedia Paul Han singleoo@gmail.com</p> <p>Morning Greeters Arjun Puvvala nagarjuna.chemist@gmail.com Alltrin Dhana Raja Gopal alltrin.chim99@gmail.com</p> <p>Adult Choir Juliet Jao lenyinjao@gmail.com</p> <p>Hallel Singers Cherrie Gow Lim cvgow@yahoo.com</p> <p>Evening Greeters Vicky Kuo asiaglobe999@gmail.com</p> <p>Evening Fellowship Meal /Baptism Celebration Fellowship Michelle Cheng yealincheng@yahoo.com</p> <p>Baptism Support Michael Dellinger michaieldondellinger@gmail.com</p>	<p>Morning Visitors Ministry Amanda Lou lou.amanda@gmail.com</p> <p>Morning Fellowship Tea Teresa Lin fmllin660909@gmail.com</p> <p>Cry Room Children’s Care priscilla@gbc.org.tw</p> <p>Green Room Children’s Care Sandra Hsu coihsu@gmail.com</p> <p>AWANA T&T Group Ming Lai minglai88@gmail.com</p> <p>AWANA Spark Group Crystal Turner elisayeh@yahoo.com</p> <p>Preschool Joanna Peng joanna6135@gmail.com</p> <p>Prayer Ministry Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw Amanda Lou (Zoom) lou.amanda@gmail.com</p>	<p>Evening Music Team Helina Lao/Peter Chiu gbcworshipteam@gmail.com</p> <p>Evening Multimedia Menzi Nhlengethwa menzinhlenge@gmail.com</p> <p>Small Groups - International Students Group - NTU Conversation Group - Parenting Group - Young Adults - Village</p> <p>Transformation Group Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw</p> <p>Taiwan Mission: Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw</p> <p>Foreign Mission: - VBS Team Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw</p>
		<p>Deacon Paul Han singleoo@gmail.com</p>	<p>Alternate Deacon Armand Lim rmanlim@gmail.com</p>
		<p>Secretarial staff SueJenny Hsu suejenny@gbc.org.tw Stella Chen (part-time) stella@gbc.org.tw</p>	

★ 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

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

Six classes 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 B04 (Roy Treurnicht) WanFu 22 (Kevin Hartman) Mount of Olives (Maria Sagita)	Room 305 (Rod Syverson)	Room 303 (Andrea Valle)

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Jan. 12

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 (Filipino)	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	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	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 (25 – 45 y.o.)	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

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English Congregation Participation & GBC Staff Information

2024.12.22 (Online & in Person)		Attendance	Offerings	<u>GBC Staff Contacts</u>
Service – Weekly Views		489	* 50,192	Peter Wu Senior Pastor
Morning Service		352	255,454	Ivory Chung Director of Administration Office (02) 2362-5321 #113
Evening Service		88	13,086	Samuel Huang Audiovisual Support samuel@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #119
Wednesday Prayer Meeting		GBC English Staff Contacts Nick Brideson English Leading Pastor nick@gbc.org.tw Priscilla Liao English Minister priscilla@gbc.org.tw Sue Jenny 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	...	...
	Children	...	...
	Youth	...	...
	Adult	11	...	
Transformation Group		...	...
Small Groups		50	...	
Music	Choir	...	...
	Hallel Singers	21	...	
Indian Fellowship Christmas Celebration		357	...	
Mabuhay Fellowship		14	...	

** These offerings are GBC overall online/weekly donations.*

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

Visitor Form / Prayer Request

December 29, 2024

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 (✓)? 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: Young Adults Mabuhay (Philippines) Indians

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