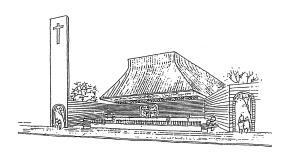
# **Grace Baptist Church**

Sunday, May 25, 2025

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	
	6:00-7:10 p.m.	Saturday Night Service	All	Sanctuary/Online	
	8:30-9:40 a.m.	Morning Service	All	Sanctuary/Online	
Chinese Services	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Students' Service	All / Students	Coleman Hall	
	11:30 a.m12:40 p.m.	Noon Service		Sanctuary/Online	
	6:00-7:15 p.m.	Evening Service	All	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	
	10:00-11:15 a.m.	Taiwanese Service	All	Room 301	
Others	11:15 a.m12:50 p.m.	Children's Service	Children (age 7-12)	Kindergarten	
	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Bilingual Service		Sanctuary/Online	
Prayer Meetings	Wed. 7:00-8:15 p.m.	Chinese Prayer Meeting	All	Room 401	
	Wed. 7:30-9:00 p.m.	<b>English Prayer Meeting</b>		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, May 25, 2025

Prelude Joy Kong Greeting/Prayer Michael Huang

Worship through Music "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

"Sanctuary"

Pastor Nick Brideson Pastoral Prayer

Worship through Music "Knowing You (One I Held Dear)" Michael Huang Abide with Me"

Offertory Prayer Maria Sagita

Tithes and Offerings

Doxology Special Music "Let the Church Arise"

Hallel Singers Pray for Our Church Michael Dellinger

Scripture Reading 2 Peter 3:1-10 Pastor Nick Brideson Message Be Encouraged

Response Song "Close to Thee" Welcome

"As the Lord Is with Us" Closing Song Michael Huang Postlude Joy Kong



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**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, May 25, 2025**

Prelude Dwayne Reinaldy Helina Lao, Leader Praver

Worship through Music "Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord"

Greeting

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Nick Brideson

Worship through Music "Endless Hallelujah" Helina Lao, Leader

"I Want to Know You" "Speak, O Lord"

Offertory Prayer Menzi Nhlengethwa

Tithes and Offerings

Pray for Our Church Cesar Gonzalez Scripture Reading 2 Peter 3:1-10

Pastor Nick Brideson

Message Be Encouraged

Response Song "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" Welcome

Closing Song "From Everlasting (Psalm 90)" Helina Lao, Leader Postlude Dwayne Reinaldy

#### 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: Be Encouraged Scripture: 2 Peter 3:1-10

Speaker: Pastor Nick Brideson May 25, 2025

#### Scripture: 2 Peter 3:1-10 (NASB)

<sup>1</sup> This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, <sup>2</sup> that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior spoken by your apostles. <sup>3</sup> Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts, <sup>4</sup> and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation." <sup>5</sup> For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water, <sup>6</sup> through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water. <sup>7</sup> But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

<sup>8</sup> But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

<sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.

#### **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 <u>Room 301</u>. 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 <a href="mailto:ecprayerteam@gbc.org.tw">ecprayerteam@gbc.org.tw</a> if you are interested in joining the Zoom prayer meeting or if you have a prayer request.

Prayer focus for this coming Wednesday:

1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Caring/Healing/Families	Church Ministry	Missions	The Lost	The World

#### Thank You for Serving on Mission Conference (May 17-18)

GBC's leading pastors would like to thank everyone who helped make the Mission activities such a great success. They especially thank those who prepared and served in Mission Explorer, carried the national flags in the flag procession, planned and served in AWANA Mission Sunday Service, and took the videos/pictures.



They also thank those who were involved in the seminars, both in preparation and attending them. Your service and attendance are greatly appreciated and will work toward building God's house and God's people.

#### **Mabuhay Fellowship**

Today, May 25, at 2:00 p.m. in Basement Room B05, Mabuhay Fellowship will have worship through songs and an inspirational talk by Brother Morris Huang, member of GBC's Morning PowerPoint Team and Baptism Support Team. His talk is entitled "I'll Praise You No Matter What Comes My Way," based on Psalm 138:6-8. All are welcome.

# Philippine Independence Day Commemoration

On June 15 at 2:00 p.m. in Basement Room B05, the Mabuhay Fellowship



will have a post-127<sup>th</sup> Philippine Independence Day commemoration. Please set aside the time to join. *All are welcome*.

# **Evening Fellowship Meal TODAY**

We will have Evening Fellowship Meal TODAY after the evening service. The leader, Michelle Cheng, will prepare spaghetti, salads, fruits, etc. for the fellowship.





Evening Service participants, please join our Fellowship in B01 after the service.

### **2025 Graduation Worship Service (in Chinese)**

This year's Graduation Service (in Chinese) will be held on Saturday <u>June 14</u>, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in Coleman Hall. It is to bless students who will be graduating this year from elementary/junior high/high school, college, and graduate school and provide a special memory for them as they enter this next stage of life. Registration by <u>June 7</u> (at the front desk or through the Chinese bulletin) is required for gift-giving and other preparations.



# EC New Ministry — Social Media Outreach

The GBC English Congregation is launching a new ministry to increase our online presence and reach out to people through social media. Samuel Huang, a GBC staff member, will lead this ministry and has created an EC Instagram account for this purpose. Please be aware that he will be taking videos and photos of our services and church activities to share online.



(If you prefer NOT to be shown in pictures or videos, please send an email to let SueJenny know, at: suejenny@gbc.org.tw)

More details will be provided before we begin posting so that you can follow and stay connected, as well as share with others.

#### **Alpha Class**

Alpha is an 11-week class designed for non-Christians who are interested in learning more about Christianity. Each week we will watch a video and have discussion about topics such as: Is there more to life than this? Why should I pray or read the Bible? Who is Jesus? Alpha class members are encouraged to ask questions as they explore these important life questions.



Alpha meets each Sunday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. in Room 302. You can join the class directly. For more information, please email the leaders, Ninian Chang and Catherine Ngao, at ninipatrickball@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you!

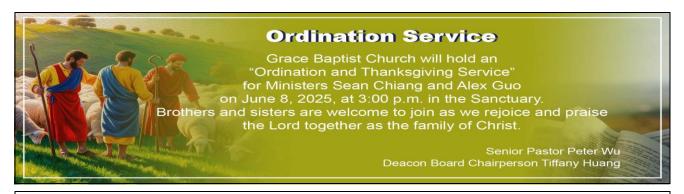
# **Explore the Bible Summer Season - Adult Sunday Classes**

Six *Explore the Bible* adult Sunday classes are available as shown on the table. Please join one of the classes directly.

Time	Room	Leader
	Mount of Olives	Maria Sagita
11:30 a.m.	Room B04	Roy Treurnicht
11.50 a.iii.	WanFu 22 C	Kevin Hartman
	Room B03	Ava Zamora
2:30 p.m.	Room 305	Rod Syverson
4:00 p.m.	Room 303	Andrea Valle

#### **GBC** Bookstand

GBC has a bookstand on the front deck, 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month, to serve brothers and sisters. Bibles, gifts, books, and spiritual materials are available for purchase. The next bookstand is *June 1*.



#### **GBC Prison Visitation Group**

*I was in prison and you came to me.* (Matthew 25:36)

GBC's Prison Visitation Group visits the Taipei Men's Prison (Guishan, Taoyuan) every 2 months in cooperation with TFICA (Taiwan Foreign Inmate Care Association). Visits consist of:

- worship service translated into five languages: English, Chinese, Thai, Indonesian, and Vietnamese
- group discussion in which visitors interact with inmates regarding the sermon

#### **Visitors joining the group must:**

a. be GBC members

-HsinChu Bible Study

Thursday Night Bible Study

Salt & Light

- b. attend a short training session (explaining rules and guidelines)
- c. register in advance (The number of visitors is limited.)

**Baptism Support** 

Michael Dellinger

michaeleldondellinger@gmail.com

The next Five Language Worship Service is June 12. Please contact Roy Treurnicht

( <u>roytreur@gmail.com</u> ) before <u>May 28</u> if you would like to attend.					
English Congregation Leaders					
Pastor Ni	ck Brideson		Minister Priscilla Liao		
Adult Education Pastor Nick Brideson nick@gbc.org.tw  Youth (Grades 7 to 12) Ethan & Sarah Chow Michael Dellinger michaeleldondellinger@gmail.com  Foreign Mission: - Medical/Dental Team Armand Lim rmanlim@gmail.com - Leadership Training Pastor Nick Brideson nick@gbc.org.tw  Harmony Home Ministry Julie Chen yuling0914@gmail.com  Mabuhay Fellowship Ava Zamora avazam13@gmail.com	Morning Music Worship Cherrie Gow Lim cvgow@yahoo.com  Morning Multimedia Liang Lai llai0619@gmail.com  Social Media Ministry Samuel Huang samuel@gbc.org.tw  Morning Greeters Arjun Puvvala nagarjuna.chemist@gmail.com Alltrin Dhana Raja Gopal alltrin.chim99@gmail.com  Adult Choir Juliet Jao lenyinjao@gmail.com  Hallel Singers Cherrie Gow Lim cvgow@yahoo.com  Evening Greeters	Morning Visitors Ministry Amanda Lou lou.amanda@gmail.com  Morning Fellowship Tea Teresa Lin fmlin660909@gmail.com  Cry Room Children's Care priscilla@gbc.org.tw  Green Room Children's Care Sandra Hsu coihsu@gmail.com  AWANA T&T Group Ming Lai minglai88@gmail.com  AWANA Spark Group Crystal Turner elisayeh@yahoo.com  Preschool Joanna Peng joanna6135@gmail.com  Prayer Ministry Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw	Evening Music Team Helina Lao/Peter Chiu gbceworshipteam@gmail.com  Evening Multimedia Menzi Nhlengethwa menzinhlenge@gmail.com  Small Groups International Students NTU English Conversation Parenting Young Adults  Transformation Group Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw  Taiwan Mission: Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw  Foreign Mission: VBS Team Minister Priscilla Liao priscilla@gbc.org.tw		
Indian Fellowship Timothy Meesala yedukondaluster@gmail.com	Vicky Kuo asiaglobe999@gmail.com	Amanda Lou (Zoom) lou.amanda@gmail.com			
Small Groups -English Foundations -Ethiopian Students	Evening Fellowship Meal /Baptism Celebration Fellowship Michelle Cheng yealincheng@yahoo.com	<b>Deacon</b> Paul Han singleoo@gmail.com	Alternate Deacon Armand Lim rmanlim@gmail.com		

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SueJenny Hsu

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# ★ Sunday School - Join the class directly, or go to the room for information ★ \*\* Beginning Christian Life \*\* Alpha - new and non-Christians (Ninian & Catherine) 3:00 p.m. Room 302 Christianity 101 - required for baptism (Doug Gilmartin) 11:30 a.m. Resumes July 13

# \*\* 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 305 (Rod Syverson)
 Room 303 (Andrea Valle)

Room B04 (Roy Treurnicht) WanFu 22C (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		
** Children **				
Nursery - Age 3 and under	9:50 a.m 11:15 a.m.	Cry Room & 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		

<b>★</b> Fellowships – Join a fellowship directly or email the leader to join★				
Fellowship Time Location/Contact em				
Mabuhay (Filipino)	Sundays 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	B05		
Indian Fellowship	Sundays 1:45 - 3:00 p.m.	WanFu 22 yedukondaluster@gmail.com		

## **★** Transformation Group (Friday 7:15 - 8:45 p.m.) **★**

★ 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 English Conversation Group	Friday 12:20 - 1:10 pm		ımmer eak
Students	International Students Group	Saturday 7:00 - 9:00 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 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Room 402 rod_syverson@hotmail.com	
	Thursday Night Bible Study Group	Thursday 7:30 - 9:00 pm	Online rod_syverson@hotmail.com	
General	HsinChu Bible Study Group	Friday 7:30 - 8:45 pm	HsinChu rmanlim@gmail.com	
General	Young Adults Group (25 – 45 y.o.)	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	K I Wionidomervialme com S	sumes gust 2
	Salt & Light	Sunday 1:30 - 3:00 pm	Mount of Olives Room 123456789nc@gmail.com	

English Congregation Participation & GBC Staff Information				
2025.05.18 (On	line & in Person)	Attendance	Offerings	GBC Staff Contacts
Servic	e – Weekly Views	421	* 98,341	<b>Peter Wu</b> Senior Pastor
	Morning Service	329	96,053	Ivory Chung
	Evening Service	96	23,359	Director of Administration Office (02) 2362-5321 #113
Wednesda	ay Prayer Meeting	27	•••	<b>Samuel Huang</b> Audiovisual Support
	Preschool	14	1,444	samuel@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #119
Sunday School	Children	80	1,444	GBC English Staff Contacts
Classes	Youth	26	•••	<b>Nick Brideson</b> English Leading Pastor
	Adult	33		nick@gbc.org.tw
Small Groups		68	•••	<b>Priscilla Liao</b> English Minister
Transformation		18	•••	priscilla@gbc.org.tw SueJenny Hsu
Music	Choir	19	•••	English Secretary
	Hallel Singers	17	•••	suejenny@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #136
Indian Fellowship		•••	•••	Stella Chen English Part-time Secretary
Mabuhay Fellowship			•••	stella@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #132

<sup>\*</sup> These offerings are GBC overall online/weekly donations.

 $\sim$  For information on other GBC participation and staff, see Chinese bulletin  $\sim$ 

Visitor Form / Prayer Request May 25, 2025 Check (✓): □ AM service □ PM service					
Welcome! We are glad you are here! This Visitor Form is for you!					
If you didn't get the <u>Visitor Card</u> , please take a form and give it to an usher or the front desk or					
Name: □ M	ale □ Female □ Single □ Married				
Nationality: E-n	ail :				
<b>Age</b> (✓): □ Under 18 □ 18-25 □ 26-40 □					
Address:					
Phone number:1	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 □ Prayer Ministry □ Weekday c	stry   Children's Ministry  lass				
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					
□ Please schedule a time for me to meet a pastor/minister					