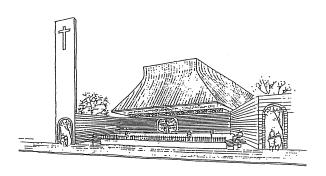
Grace Baptist Church

Sunday, December 14, 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/Prayer Meetings	Suitable for	Location
Chinese Services	6:00-7:10 p.m.	Chinese Saturday Evening Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
	8:30-9:40 a.m.	Chinese Morning Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
	11:30 a.m12:40 p.m.	Chinese Noon Service		Sanctuary/Online
	6:00-7:15 p.m.	Chinese Evening Service All		Room 401
English	10:00-11:10 a.m.	English Morning Service	All	Sanctuary/Online
Services	5:30-7:00 p.m.	English Evening Service		Coleman Hall
	10:30-11:45 a.m.	Taiwanese Service	All	Room 301
Others	11:15 a.m12:50 p.m.	Chinese Children's Service	Children (age 3-12)	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/Online
	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 14, 2025

Michael Tsai Prelude Advent Reading Gunner & Family Greeting/Prayer Armand Lim

Worship through Music "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Pastor Nick Brideson Pastoral Prayer "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" Worship through Music Armand Lim

"I Stand Amazed"

Offertory Prayer Nathan Chen Tithes and Offerings

"Holy is the Child" Special Music Hallel Singers Pray for Our Church Paul Han

Scripture Reading Matthew 4:12-17

Pastor Nick Brideson Message Invitation

Response Song "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

Welcome "Happy Birthday, Jesus!" Offering

Closing Prayer

"As the Lord Is with Us" Closing Song Armand Lim Postlude Michael Tsai



0-3 y.o.; wear a mask over 2 v.o. Cry Room - at the back of the Sanctuary/Coleman Hall, during services

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 a.m. Sunday, December 14, 2025

"Ding! Dong! Merrily on High" Prelude Sean Jackson/organ Advent Reading Elijah MacMillan & Deanna Gracia

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" Christmas Carol Michael Huang Pastor Nick Brideson

Greeting/Opening & Offertory Prayer Tithes/Offerings 'He Shall Feed His Flock''

'Joy to the World' "The First Noel" Christmas Carols Michael Huang

Matthew 1:18-23 Scripture Reading Pastor Nick Brideson

"Were You There on That Christmas Night?" Christmas Choir Adult Choir Presentation

Pastor Nick Brideson Brief Thoughts

Welcome/Announcements

"Happy Birthday, Jesus!" Offering

Benediction

"Silent Night, Holy Night" Michael Huang Closing Song "Carillon de Westminster" Sean Jackson/organ Postlude

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: Invitation Scripture: Matthew 4:12–17

Speaker: Pastor Nick Brideson AM - December 14, 2025

Scripture: Matthew 4:12–17 (NASB)

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; ¹³ and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. ¹⁴ This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet:

15 "THE LAND OF ZEBULUN AND THE LAND OF NAPHTALI,
 BY THE WAY OF THE SEA, BEYOND THE JORDAN, GALILEE OF THE GENTILES—
 16 "THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING IN DARKNESS SAW A GREAT LIGHT,
 AND THOSE WHO WERE SITTING IN THE LAND AND SHADOW OF DEATH,
 UPON THEM A LIGHT DAWNED."

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Notes:



- 1. A Great Light
- 2. Bethlehem
- 3. All Is Well
- 4. Sing We Now of Christmas
- 5. Welcome to Our World
- 6. Were You There on That Christmas Night?
- 7. Glory to the New Born King!

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>. We pray for caring & healing, church ministries, missions, the lost, and the world. 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.

AWANA Christmas Invitation - TODAY

AWANA (GBC's English Children's Sunday School) will hold a Christmas celebration called *AWANA Christmas Fair* from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. *TODAY* in Room 401 with songs, Christmas story, and special sharing by IMB missionaries. Please invite your family and friends to join directly.

Mabuhay Fellowship Christmas Celebration

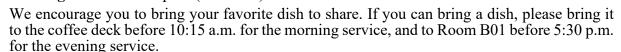
Today, December 14, the Mabuhay
Fellowship will celebrate the birth of the
Lord Jesus. We will have worship through
songs, fellowship, and an inspirational talk
by Prof. Shirley Ho on "Balikbayan
Boxes" (Filipino Care/Gift Boxes)." All are welcome to
ioin us in our Christmas celebration.

On December 21, MF will have a Tagalog prayer meeting. All Tagalog-speaking nationals are welcome. All MF activities are held at 2 p.m. in Basement Room B05.

December 21 Christmas Potlucks

We will have Christmas Potlucks for both the morning and evening services next Sunday <u>December 21</u>:

Morning – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Coffee Deck) **Evening** – 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. (B01-B05)



Helpers Needed:

If you can help prepare for the event. please email Teresa Lin at fmlin660909@gmail.com (for the morning) and SueJenny at suejenny@gbc.org.tw (for the evening).

Reminders:

- Morning Sunday school cancelled; Afternoon classes decided by the teachers.
- Lower your voice after 11:30 a.m. when the Chinese service will start in the Sanctuary.
- Please bring your own tableware to help reduce waste (Please wash it at home.)
- Please clean up after yourself and be available to help.

Holiday Schedule Changes

December 24:

Christmas Eve Service is held on December 24 from 10:00 to 11:00 p.m. in Colman Hall. (GBC will be closed from 3:00 to 9:30 p.m. due to preparation and setup for the Chinese Christmas Eve Evangelical Musical. If you drive, please use other parking lots around GBC. The Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting on December 24 will be cancelled.)

December 31:

- Year-End Prayer Meeting will be on December 31 from 9:00 to 10:30 p.m. in Room 401.
- **Year-End Celebration Service** will be held on December 31 from 11:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in Coleman Hall. (Wednesday night prayer meetings will resume as usual, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in Room 301 and online, starting from January 7.)

Happy Birthday, Jesus! Special Christmas Missions Offering

TODAY, we will have a special opportunity to give a gift worthy of our King to the cause which brought Him to dwell among us! Please prepare your heart and your birthday gift offering, represented by the specially prepared envelopes, as we celebrate the birth of our King and anticipate the global expansion of His Kingdom of love through our gifts!



GBC 2025 Christmas Events * * * ENGLISH SERVICES IN BOLD * * *					
Date	Time	Event	Location		
Dec. 14 (Sun.)	11:30 – 12:40	Joint Christmas Choir Presentation	Sanctuary		
A P*	11:30 - 13:00	AWANA Christmas Fair	401		
	14:00 – 16:00	Mabuhay Fellowship Christmas Program	B05		
	17:30 – 19:00	Christmas Choir Presentation	Sanctuary		
	10:00 - 11:10	Christmas Choir Presentation	Sanctuary		
D 21 (C)	11:30 – 12:30	AM Christmas Potluck	Coffee Deck		
Dec. 21 (Sun.)	17:30- 19:00	Evening Service	Coleman Hall		
	19:00 – 20:30	PM Christmas Potluck	B01-B04		
	19:30 – 21:30	Christmas Musical Evangelism	Sanctuary		
Dec 24 (Wed)	22:00 - 23:00	Christmas Eve Service	Coleman Hall		
Dec. 24 (Wed.)	22:00 – 23:00	Christmas Eve Service	Sanctuary		
	23:30 - 01:30	Christmas Eve Midnight Concert	Sanctuary		
Dec. 27 (Sat.)	10:30 - 14:00	Indian Christmas Celebration	Coleman Hall		

GBC Parking Notice

GBC will do construction work in the parking lot from January 5 to March 31, 2026, to meet government church building parking space requirements and improve safety and convenience. The construction covers the entire basement parking area, including

entrances, exits, driveways, and related facilities. During this time, GBC parking lot will be closed.



The updated parking arrangements will be announced later. Please allow extra travel time to avoid delays and consider using public transportation or nearby parking lots.

Indian Community Christmas Celebration

The Indian Bible Study Fellowship (IBSF) will celebrate Christmas with the Indian community in Taipei on

Saturday, <u>December 27</u>, from 10:30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. in Coleman Hall.

They 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 the joy and celebration by joining directly then! If you have questions, please contact the Indian Bible Study Fellowship leader, Timothy Meesala, at his email: yedukondaluster@gmail.com.

Reminders from GBC

- Turn your cell phone to silent mode or airplane mode during worship so as not to disturb the worship service.
- Do not: 1) eat or drink in either the Sanctuary or Coleman Hall; 2) put things on top of the church piano; 3) toss used toilet paper or trash into the toilet. (GBC's building is old, and the pipes can easily become clogged.)
- Pink offering envelopes: The envelopes are for people who need an offering receipt (and are not required if you don't need a receipt. You can put your offering into the offering bag directly.) Please write your Chinese name on the envelope if you are an ROC citizen, so GBC can correctly issue an official receipt.
- > Breastfeeding location available: If nursing mothers in our congregation need a place for breastfeeding, the Kindergarten Green Room is available on Sundays. Please ask the staff or GBC front desk about where the Green Room is.
- > Instagram & Facebook pictures/videos shooting: GBC Social Media Outreach Ministry is to increase our online presence and reach out to people through social media. Samuel Huang, a GBC staff member, is leading this ministry and has created EC



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Instagram and Facebook accounts for this purpose. He has been 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, suejenny@gbc.org.tw)



We encourage you to follow and stay connected, as well as share with others. To follow, please scan the QR codes.

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- English Foundations Ethiopian Students HsinChu Bible Study Salt & Light

- Thursday Night Bible Study

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- Students English Conversation
- Parenting

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★ Sunday School – Join the class directly, or go to the room for information				
** Beginning Christian Life **				
Christianity 101	Morning Class (Doug Gilmartin)	11:30 a.m.	B05	
- required for baptism	Afternoon Class (Kristen Montgomery)	4:00 p.m.	Room 302	

** 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)

** Youth: Grade 7 and above **		
(Leading teacher: Jorge Valle)	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

★ 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 1:45 - 4:00 p.m.	WanFu 22 yedukondaluster@gmail.com	

★ Transformation Group (Friday 7:15 - 8:45 p.m.) → Restarts March 6, 2026

★ 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	Students English Conversation Group	Friday 12:20 - 1:10 pm	Room 401 Restart March	
	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 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	
	Alpha	Thursday 7:30 - 9:00 pm	Room 301 Restarts in 2026	
	HsinChu Bible Study Group	Friday 7:30 - 8:45 pm	HsinChu rmanlim@gmail.com	
	Salt & Light	Sunday 1:30 - 3:00 pm	Mount of Olives Room 123456789nc@gmail.com	
	Men's Group	Sunday 4:00 - 5:20 pm	Room 306 cesaledro57@gmail.com	
Ministry	Prison Visitation		roytreur@gmail.com	

English Congregation Participation & GBC Staff Information				
2025.12.07 (Online & in Person)		Attendance	Offerings	GBC Staff Contacts
Service – Weekly Views		302	*408,570	Tsen-Jen Wu Senior Pastor
Morning Service		285	462,178	Ivory Chung
Evening Service		101	21,315	Director of Administration Office (02) 2362-5321 #113
Wednesday Prayer Meeting		36	•••	Samuel Huang Audiovisual Support
	Preschool	12	700	samuel@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #119
Sunday School	Children	60	722	GBC English Staff Contacts
Classes	Youth	32	•••	Nick Brideson English Leading Pastor
	Adult	59	•••	nick@gbc.org.tw
Small Groups		111	•••	Priscilla Liao English Minister
Transformation		•••	•••	priscilla@gbc.org.tw SueJenny Hsu
Music	Choir	32	• • •	English Secretary
	Hallel Singers	16	•••	suejenny@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #136 Stella Chen
Indian Fellowship		13	•••	English Part-time Secretary
Mabuhay Fellowship		14	•••	stella@gbc.org.tw (02) 2362-5321 #132

^{*} 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 December 14, 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 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!						
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Fellowships: □ Young Adults □ Mabuhay (Philippines) □ Indians						
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m willing to:						
□ Accept Christ □ Be baptized □ Become a church member						
□ Please schedule a time for me to meet a pastor/minister						