Welcome To Grace Fellowship

We are glad you chose to visit us. Our desire is for you to be blessed in the Lord through Spirit-led worship and ministry of the Word. Our desire is to see believers fulfilled in Christian life through a strong foundation, fellowship and the furtherance of the Gospel.

There are many areas of ministry offered at GFC which will bless the whole family and help lead to spiritual maturity. This pamphlet is designed to give you a brief overview of our purpose, beliefs and the ministries offered at GFC. If you are visiting and are looking for a church home, we invite you to attend again and pray about becoming part of GFC. Again, thank you for visiting and we look forward to meeting you.

Our Purpose

One of Jesus' last instructions was to go into all the world and preach and teach the Gospel (good news), Mark 16:15-18, Matt. 28:20. We're fulfilling that commission locally at GFC.

We emphasize and demonstrate prayer, worship, individual study of the Scriptures and obedience to God. We comfort and encourage believers in their personal walk with the Lord. We support the family and biblical values through the Christian education of adults, teenagers, and children. We instruct, train, organize, and provide opportunities for believers to do the work of the ministry.

In short, the church is people helping people....sharing Christ with the love of God.



Our Beliefs

- ⊕ There is one God manifesting Himself in three Persons: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit (Matt. 3:16-17; 1 Peter 1:2)
- The Bible is the Word of God written by inspiration of the Holy Spirit (II Tim. 3:16; II Thess. 2:13)
- ⊕ God created man in His own image and likeness, but through sin, man became separated from God and has lived in conditions of physical and emotional sickness, poverty and spiritual depravity to this day. (Gen. 1:27; Rom. 3:10-12, 16)
- ⊕ Through the sinless life and shedding of blood on the cross by Jesus Christ, His Son, God offered to man eternal life. (Heb. 9:14; I Peter 2:24)
- ♥ Salvation is by faith in this sacrifice and is to be received personally by anyone desiring eternal life. (John 3:16; Rom. 10:9-10)
- ⊕ Believers are called out of the world by God to form His church; they are sent into the world to be salt, light and a comfort to all people in it. (I Peter 2:9; II Cor. 5:20)
- む Every believer is to be water baptized. (Mt. 28:19; Rom. 6:4)

- 母 Jesus sits at the right hand of God the Father with all dominion and authority over all created things in heaven, earth and hell. (Eph. 1:20-22; Col. 1:16)
- ₽ Each believer is seated together with Jesus and rules and reigns in His stead on the earth. (Eph. 2:5-6; Mark 16:17-18)
- There is coming the return of Jesus Christ for His church, and we promote a lifestyle that seeks to please God and edify others. (I Thess. 4:16-17; Col. 1:10)
- ♣ Regular features of our private and corporate life are worship, prayer, study of the Bible, building of the body

- and evangelism of the lost. (Acts 2:42, 46, 47; Eph. 4:11-12)
- Tithing and seed giving are Scriptural responses to the goodness of God in our lives. (Mal. 3:10; II Cor. 9:10-11)

Believers are to behave responsibly in their personal and family life, in their work and social duties, and to always exemplify the highest standards of diligence and integrity for themselves in the community. (I Tim. 5:8; II Peter 1:5-8; Col. 3:17)

Our Ministries

Sunday Morning Service

Foundation Builders - Prior to our worship service on Sunday mornings, we offer a Foundation Builders class from 9 to 9:45. The topic varies, but the purpose of the class is to develop a strong foundation for Christian living.

Worship Service - Our Sunday morning service begins at



10:15 a.m. We begin with a wonderful time of anointed praise and worship, followed by the teaching of the Word.

Following the praise and worship, the children are dismissed to attend their classe. We offer Children's Church for children 4 years through 6th grade. Our nursery is also available for children from birth up through age 3.

Wednesday Night - 7 p.m.

Wednesday night is "Family Night" because we offer ministry for the whole family. Everyone (except nursery children) begins in the sanctuary for a great time of praise and worship. After P&W, the adult's remain upstairs for a teaching from the Word of God by Pastor Gary. Spotlight Youth (7th through 12th graders) and children (4 year olds through 6th graders) are dismissed to go to their respective classes. Nursery is provided for kids birth through 3 yrs. old and children may be checked in at the beginning of service.

Live It Youth and Children's Ministry



Our teenagers are faced with challenging situations on a daily basis. At Live It Youth, we strive to prepare our

youth to face these challenges armed with the word of God and the power of the Holy Spirit. We do this by having activities that minister to youth on a spiritual level and on a social level.



The Children's Ministry is a very important part of "building up the body" here at GFC. We have many dedicated volunteers who combine fun with active learning to impart God's Word into the hearts of our children.

Our nursery is for the youngest of the church, and is also staffed by dedicated volunteers who have a heart for children. Our children's and youth workers all wear badges with their pictures and the logo to the left on it indicating they are certified workers.

Friendship Plus



On the last Wednesday of each month we have Friendship Plus. We break into smaller groups, usually between men and women, and, as a group, we have an outline with a different topic each time. A leader is chosen to facilitate the discussion and people are encouraged to offer their thoughts and personal knowledge regarding the subject. These smaller groups offer a great opportunity to build relationships.

Each session incorporates prayer, the Word of God and fellowship. The aim is to minister to everyone and to have everyone become a minister.

Weekly Services

Sunday:

"Foundation Builders" for adults - 9 a.m. Worship Service - 10:15 a.m. Includes: Sunday School for 4 yr. olds - 6th Graders; Nursery for birth thru 3 yr. olds.

Wednesday:

Family Night - 7 p.m. Includes: Adult Bible Study; Spotlight Youth - 7th thru 12th Graders; Children's Church - 4 yr. olds thru 6th Graders; Nursery - birth up thru 3 year olds.

Weekly Prayer Times:

Mon. & Tue. at 9 a.m.; Wed. at 6:30 p.m.; Sat. at 7 a.m.; Sun. 8-9 a.m. & 9:45 a.m. (All times held in the sanctuary except Wed. which is in the Conference Room)

About The Pastor Rev. Gary A. Miller

Pastor Gary has been pastor of Grace Fellowship since August of 1992. He and his wife Robin are originally from Illinois and moved to Broken Arrow, OK in 1988 where he attended and graduated from RHEMA Bible Training Center in 1990. Pastor Gary is dedicated to the vision of meeting the needs of people and building



strong families who will reach fulfillment through foundation, fellowship and the furtherance of the Gospel". Pastor Gary and Robin have a son, Ross and a daughter, Kelli, daughter-in-law Amber and 2 grandsons, Henry & August.

Grace Fellowship Church

People Helping People...
Sharing Christ With the Love of God



Fulfillment through: Foundation, Fellowship and the Furtherance of the Gospel

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