

Grace Notes

. our journey together



Pastor's Perspective

Grace Fellowship

March 2019

1Co 1:18-25 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

The Apostle Paul wrote first and second Corinthians to the church at Corinth, which was located in Southern Greece. The city of Corinth was an intersection point for travelers from the Aegean Sea and those traveling from the western Mediterranean Sea. Many cultures and religions were found in Corinth. It was also a destination for traveling professional orators and philosophers, and people would pay to come and hear these great orators share their wisdom and ideas.

The Apostle Paul in these opening verses of Chapter one of his first letter to the church at Corinth clearly and boldly declares that God cannot be found or discovered through human wisdom. He says that the message of the cross of Christ will dash to pieces the pride, the self-exalting, and the carnal wisdom of this world. It is amazing that God has deliberately designed His plan of salvation so that it offends human wisdom and has the appearance of utter foolishness. The message of the cross offends those wise in their own eyes, it will offend the proud and the disobedient, it will offend the unholy and irreverent, and it will offend the self-righteous. The Apostle Paul says to us who are being saved it is the power of God. The message of the cross is powerful for those who by faith kneel in repentance believing and trusting in what was done for them on that cross. The sacrifice of Christ on the cross is the greatest expression of love, goodness, and wisdom ever given to man, but it will not be discovered by man's intellect or human wisdom. The power of the message of the cross is that Christ Jesus himself, the living and resurrected Christ, can change a person's life completely because He can change a person's heart like no one or nothing else can. The power of this miracle is what the world cannot understand.

So, if the message of the cross is foolish to those of this world, then we must be fools for believing in it, and so we are. Is it not the greatest honor and privilege of our lives my brothers and sisters to be "fools" for Christ? Will you join me and gladly be a "fool" for Jesus sake, and may our "foolishness" shine brighter and brighter as we serve him, honor Him, love Him, and do good works in His name and for His glory. Till He comes, Amen, and so be it.

From my heart to yours, Pastor Ron

Prayer

On the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, there is a special time for prayer at the church, from
7 – 8 PM.

*This month:
March 6th & 20th*



Ladies Ministry

The Ladies of Grace will have their monthly brunch at the church on *Saturday, March 16th at 9:30 a.m.* This is a great way to build relationships with our Beautiful Ladies of Grace. We will have a non-baby baby shower for the PHC. A list of items needed for the center is printed out and in the main foyer.

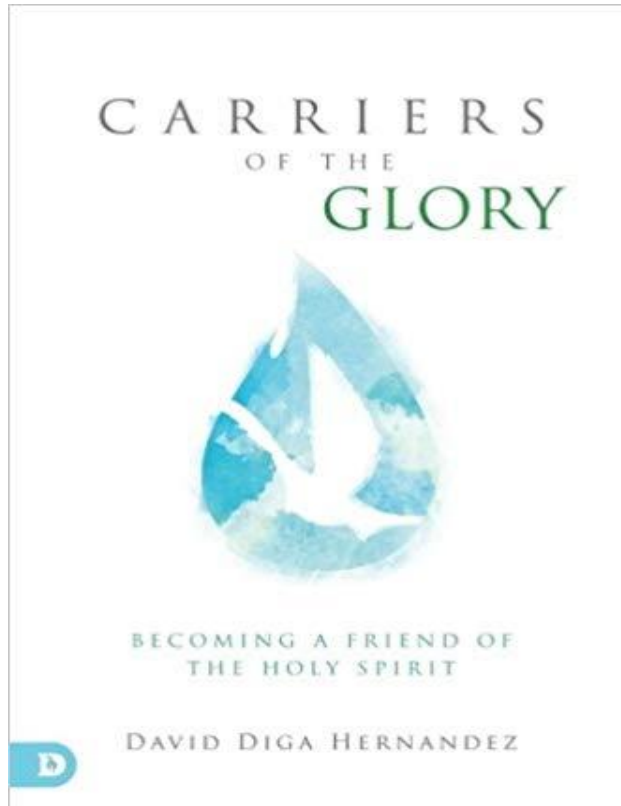
There is a Ladies Prayer time on Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Kim Neely. This time of prayer coincides with the weeks that the home groups meet. For the month of January, it will be *March 13th and March 27th.*

Bring a dish to share!



Adult Christian Education

Sundays at 9:30 AM



If you want to discover your Identity as a Carrier of God's Presence, Power, and Glory! Join us for this study as we discuss the book Carriers of the Glory.

If you desire to know God in a deeper and more intimate way, if you want your soul to be set ablaze with a passionate love for Him, if you want to walk in the fullness of all that He has created for you, then this book is for you!

If you don't have a copy of the book, you can order it from [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com).

God is building His Church one living stone at a time



1 Peter 2:5 you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Grace Fellowship Church please contact the Church Office and let us know. Pastor Ron would like to meet with you asap.

A new member Sunday is scheduled for March 17. A fellowship meal will follow the service.

Hymn Sing-Along

The monthly Hymn Sing Along at the Mariposa Apartment Homes, 121 River Bend Dr. will be on **February 23rd at 2:00 PM**. The residents of Mariposa are blessed by the hymns and old-time singing, led by Pastor Jack. You are invited to come on out to join in the singing and fellowship with the Mariposa residents. Refreshments will be served!



Home Fellowship Groups

Our home fellowship groups are an important part of our church life, providing growth, care, affection and mutual edification



Mike Milton's home group will meet on *Feb. 13th and Feb. 27th at 6:30 PM* at his home. Pastor Ron's group will meet at their home on *Feb. 13th at 6:30 PM* and *Feb. 27th at 5:30 PM* for a meal. Contact Cindy about menu ideas.



The Friday home fellowship group is scheduled to meet at *7:00 PM on Mar. 1st* at the home of Sam & Susan Nijmeh, 304 W. Sequoia Spur, Georgetown and at Bob & Kim Neely's home at 2601 Bob White Ln., Georgetown FM 3405 in Liberty Hill, *Mar. 15th at 7:00 PM.*



Fellowship Group

**Adult Singles meeting on 2nd and 4th Sundays
for lunch.**

***Contact Julie Dominguez for details & location
(512) 632-9752***



Let's Celebrate our Church Family

March Birthdays

Annie Galindo 20th
Claire Johnson 23rd
Rob Milton 27th
Ken Lynn 31st

March Anniversaries

Sam & Susan Nijmeh 9th



Men's Ministry

Monthly Breakfast: Regularly scheduled for 2nd Saturday of each month at 8:30. Men, come enjoy fellowship, encouragement and sharing from the Word PLUS a hot cooked breakfast. This month: *on the 12th.*

Weekly Breakfast: Regularly scheduled every Tuesday at **8:30 AM** at I-Hop. Feel free to stop in for a cup of coffee or breakfast. Begin the day with fellowship, encouragement and sharing.



Regular Schedule of Meetings

Sunday

9:30 – 10:15 AM	Christian Education
10:30 – 12:00 noon	Worship & Preaching
11:15 – 12:00 noon	Children's Church Program
Lunch after church	"Single with "Grace" fellowship group meets on the 2 nd & 4 th Sundays of the month. (Check with Julie Dominguez 512-632-9752 for location.)

Communion: 1st Sunday of Each Quarter

Tuesday

8:30 – 9:30 AM	Men's weekly breakfast & share group (IHOP)
4:30 – 6:00 PM	Grace Girls, ages 7 – 12

Wednesday

2:00 PM	Ladies' Prayer Time (in conjunction with Home Group meetings, held at the home of Kim Neely.)
Call group leader for time & location	Two home fellowship groups meet on the 2 nd & 4 th Wednesday of each month. (Check with Pastor Ron and Mike Milton for times and location.)
7:00 PM	Prayer at the Church (1 st & 3 rd Wednesday of each month)

Friday

7:00 PM	Home fellowship group meets on the 1 st & 3 rd weeks of each month. (Check with Sam Nijmeh 512-508-5087 for location.)
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Saturday

8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast on 2 nd Saturday
9:30 AM	Ladies' Brunch on 3 rd Saturday

Church office is closed on Monday's. Tuesday-Friday office hours are 9:00 AM-1:00 PM.

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