

# GIVING

05.17.26

General Offering	\$7,556.31
Building Fund	\$845.32
Uganda	\$2,640.00
Benevolence	\$30.00
Total	\$11,071.63
Attendance	230



Welcome to  
Grace Harvest  
Bible Church

05.24.26

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“The Christian’s armor will rust except  
it be used.”

- William Gurnall

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## VISITORS + MEMBERS

For ALL church announcements, our church calendar, ministries for serving and small groups to join, please see our Church Center app.

### SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

9:00am

Elders - 2 Samuel  
Sanctuary A

Bereans - Luke  
Upstairs C

Young Adults - 1 Corinthians  
Downstairs B, Gray Room

Surge (10 - 12 Year Olds)  
Upstairs C

Youth (13 - 18 Year Olds)  
Basement A

Children’s SS  
(Birth - 9 Year Olds)  
Downstairs C

### SUNDAY SERVICES

10:30am

Worship Service

Children's Church  
(Birth - 9 Year Olds)

### WEEKDAY EVENTS

Trail Life  
Mondays 6:30pm

Men’s Book Study  
Mondays 7pm | Fridays 6am

Women’s Book Study  
Mondays 6:30pm

Worship Team Practice  
Tuesdays 7:00pm

Awana  
Wednesdays 6:30pm

Surge (10 - 12 Year Olds)  
Wednesdays 6:30pm

Youth (13 - 18 Year Olds)  
Wednesdays 6:30pm

Men’s Alliance  
Wednesdays 7:00pm

Family Groups  
Every other Thursday  
9:00am, 6:30pm, & 7:00pm

# Pastor's Pen

Faithfulness in Every Season!

***"For God is not unrighteous so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and continuing to minister to the saints."*** Hebrews 6:10

Today we say goodbye to Wes and Michelle Parrish with both gratitude and sadness. After many years of faithful service, they are relocating to Connecticut to care for Michelle's mother.

Wes and Michelle have been part of Grace Harvest since our early days, meeting at Amelia High School in 2008, joining the church in 2010. From the outset, they have consistently been dedicated and faithful servants. They have ministered together, serving our youth. They took their own vacation time to go on week-long summer youth trips out of state. They have served in our children's ministry, teaching 5<sup>th</sup>- and 6<sup>th</sup>-graders as well as serving in children's church. They have served volunteering in AWANA for over 8 years. Michelle has faithfully served on the worship team for more than 15 years. Wes served as a deacon for three years with humility and compassion.

Their lives exemplify the faithfulness Scripture urges us to embody: ***"Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful"*** (1 Corinthians 4:2). We find reassurance in Hebrews 6:10, confident that God sees and values their loving service to the saints. Over the past 18 years, they have consistently served faithfully within the GHBC church family, often working quietly behind the scenes. Even in their departure, they demonstrate obedience. Their dedication to caring for Michelle's mother reflects the principles of 1 Timothy 5:8 and honors the Lord.

They will be deeply missed, but we rejoice that Christ continues His work in and through them. Please pray for their transition, for strength as they care for their family, and for the Lord to quickly plant them in a faithful church.

Wes and Michelle, you are dearly loved. Your faithfulness has left a lasting mark on this body.

Your shepherd, Pastor Mark

# Grace Gems

A spiritual playpen where the crying babies must be appeased!  
(Joseph Bianchi)

In the twenty-first century, we are obsessed with self-satisfaction and getting our desires met. Hence, any teaching that invades our lifestyle and tells us we must alter or discard our old habits, is usually consigned to the junk pile. In so thinking and doing, the church has been transformed into a spiritual playpen where the crying babies must be appeased with what makes them feel good.

The Evangelical world is abuzz with terms like "purpose driven church" or "seeker friendly church". What these terms really amount to is one thing: compromise.

The goal of churches should not be to see how much like the world they can be, so as to make worldly people feel comfortable. Rather, the churches should be so unlike the world, so alien to the world, that the disillusioned unbeliever will be drawn to them.

***"Do not be yoked together with unbelievers."***

***For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common?***

***Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?***

***What harmony is there between Christ and Belial?***

***What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?***

***What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols?***

***For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people." "Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." 2 Corinthians 6:14-18***