

Those to Serve

(B) Calvin Burks
(FV) Mike Mehaffey
(O) Doug Pruett
(A) Michael Flores
1st prayer: Judd Wall
2nd prayer: Jorge Garza
Announcements: Jack Wall
Singing: Kevin Grant

August 30th

Noon Fellowship
September 5, 2026

Hound Supper

September 6th

Mision Sunday

September 7th

Labor Day

September 13th

Grandparent Day

Men's Business Meeting

September 22nd

Autumn Begins

Happy Anniversary

August 30th

Scotty & Crickett Miller

Happy Birthday

Jack Wall August 20th

Cindi Wall August 26th

Vernon Houts Sept. 24th

Judy Grant Sept. 28th

Judd Wall Oct. 10th

Mike Mallett Oct 21st

Prayer List:

James Lovell
Michael Payne
Valerie Garza
Virgina Lovell
Vernon & Linda Houts
Wanda Kitchens
Jorge Garza
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

Hound Supper

September 5, 2026,

You are invited to the 88th Annual "Pecan Wells Hunt Supper" Saturday September 5, 2026, 7 pm, at the home of Joy Payne at 1085 FM 2005 Hamilton, TX. The Club furnishes black pot BBQ, sock coffee, tea & bread. Guests are asked to bring a veggie, dessert or salad. Also, for your comfort, a folding chair & table.



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Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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The Boundaries of Grace

Everyone likes to talk about God's grace - and rightly so. We would have no hope without it. But many have stretched the concept far beyond what the Scriptures actually teach.

Some view grace as if it automatically overlooks every act of disobedience. Others make it so mysterious that no one can really know where he stands with God. The truth is much simpler. God's grace is wonderful beyond measure, but it operates within the conditions He has revealed.

Before we can appreciate what grace is, it helps to understand what grace is not :

- ❑ Grace is not a permission slip for sin. Some seem to think that because we are saved by grace, our conduct is no longer important. Paul addressed that very error when he asked, "Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?" His answer left no doubt: "God forbid" (Romans 6:1-2). Grace does not excuse sin; it provides the means by which our sins can be forgiven.
- ❑ Grace is not unconditional. We certainly cannot earn salvation. Paul plainly taught that we are saved by grace through faith, "not of works, lest any man should boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9). Yet God has always attached conditions to His blessings. Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord (Genesis 6:8), but he still had to build the ark exactly as God commanded (Genesis 6:22). God's grace provided the opportunity; Noah's obedient faith accepted it.
- ❑ Grace is not forced upon anyone. God offers His favor freely, but He does not remove man's ability to choose. The Scriptures warn that one can "fall from grace" (Galatians 5:4) and can receive the grace of God "in vain" (2 Corinthians 6:1). These passages would make no sense if grace could not be resisted.

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So, what does grace do ?

- ❑ First, grace teaches us. Titus 2:11-12 says that the grace of God has appeared, "teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world." Grace is more than God's favor—it is God's instruction. It teaches us how He wants us to live.
- ❑ Second, grace provides the remedy for our sin problem. All have sinned (Romans 3:23), and the wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23). Left to ourselves, we would be in a hopeless condition. Through His grace, God sent His Son to die for us, making forgiveness possible while He remains perfectly just.
- ❑ Third, grace gives us access to God. Because of Christ, we can "come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). What a tremendous blessing that is!

The bottom line is simple: Grace is God doing for us what we could never do for ourselves. But His grace never relieves us of the responsibility to do what He has commanded. May we never take God's grace for granted. Instead, let us humbly receive it, gratefully obey Him, and faithfully walk in the light of His truth. **by Greg Gwin**

Quotes & Saying

"Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us." ~ Abraham Lincoln