

# GRACE NOTES

Grace Bible Fellowship

Gunter, Texas

July 2014

*Hey, church Fam. Thought I'd share an excerpt from a great book I've been reading, Bringing Up Girls, by Dr. James Dobson. As a dad of 3 girls I need all the help I can get, but I'd recommend this book for anybody with girls in their life, which is all of us. The following really spoke to the importance of communication and listening to our girls. Something a lot of us men struggle with. Not only because we are made different as males, but because the increasing demands on our time. See below. --Pastor Roy*

"It is impossible to overstate the importance of talking in the lives of girls and women. Though estimates vary, it appears, that males use about seven thousand words per day; and females, twenty thousand. Women not only talk more, but their enjoyment in conversation is far more intense. Connecting through talking activates the pleasure centers of a girl's brain, providing a huge emotional reward for her. It is why teen girls are obsessed with text messaging...It also explains why one of the most common sources of disappointment women express about married life is that the guys won't talk to them. Show me a husband who keeps his thoughts to himself, and I will show you a frustrated wife...Little and not so little girls need to talk too, especially about what they are feeling. Let me speak directly to the busy mom and dad who are too exhausted at the end of the day to get your kids talking, either at the dinner table or in those intimate few minutes before bedtime: you may be making a serious mistake. You need to know what your children are thinking, and they need the pleasure of telling you about it. There will come a time when they will be talking primarily to their peers, and the missed opportunities for understanding and intimacy today will be costly down the road.

This is why we should engage our kids in activities that encourage conversation, including eating together as a family, playing table games, inviting friends with kids to dinner, cooking together, building things, adopting a lovable dog or cat, cultivating mutual interests, or learning a sport such as skiing or tennis as a family. Remember how your daughter is made, and seek invitations into that private world. You won't regret it." (James Dobson, Bringing Up Girls, p. 33-35)

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.*

Proverbs 3:5-6

More picture are included on page 6 and see the video:

<https://vimeo.com/99437148>



**How do I join  
Grace Bible Fellowship?  
What are the requirements?**

Visitors are encouraged to attend a GBF101 class, which is a session where those interested in joining our fellowship can learn more about our church.

**GBF 101**

**Sunday, July 27**

**9:00 am**

**Register online: [www.thegbf.com](http://www.thegbf.com)**

*Welcome New Members!*

*Barrett and Lacy Dupler*

*David and Lisa Whitfield*

*Mark and Shannon Parker*

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

**will not meet during the  
month of July and resume  
in August.**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

*How People Change*

**Tuesdays, 6:30 pm**

**704 N. 8th Street (Hwy 289)**

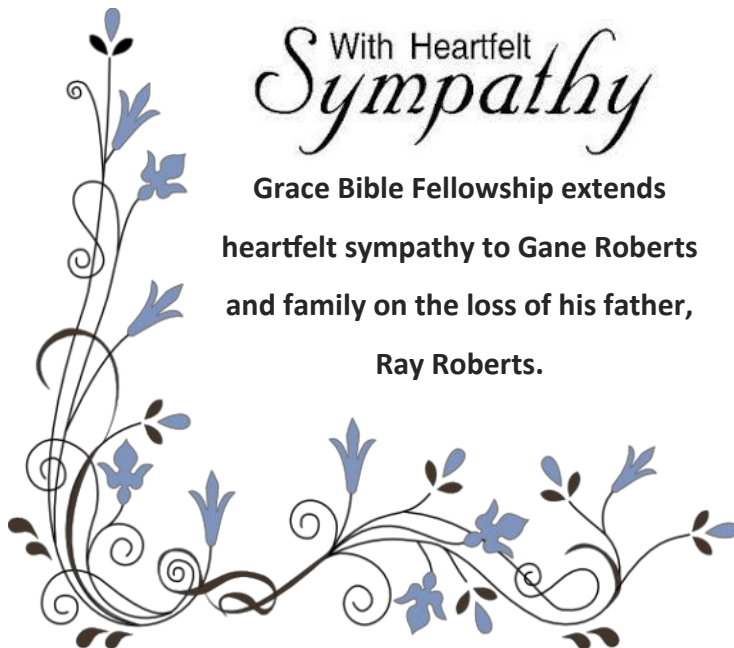
**Contact Tinna Hood for more info:  
903.815.0562**



**KEEP  
CALM  
and  
MAKE  
COFFEE**

Volunteers are still needed to make coffee before Sunday worship. Please prayerfully consider serving our congregation in this way!

Contact Kris Freeny @ 903 - 815 - 8859.





Dear friends,  
 since God so loved us,  
 we also ought to love  
 one another.  
 1 John 4:11

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

- July 2: Camp KIDJAM Youth Leadership Meeting (6:30 at GBF)
- July 6: GraceKids
- July 7: Meeting with Volunteers for Sport Camp, 5 pm - 6 pm  
 Playground Registration Party, 6 pm - 8 pm  
 (Water Slides, Bounce House, and Hot Dogs)
- July 8-10: GBF Sports Camp, 5:30 pm - 8 pm
- July 13: GraceKids
- July 16: Camp KIDJAM Adult Leaders and Dorm Dad Meeting, 6:30 pm @GBF
- July 20: GraceKids
- July 20: Camp KIDJAM Parent Meeting Immediately after Church (paperwork due).
- July 22-25 Camp KIDJAM
- July 27: No GraceKids
- Aug. 3: No GraceKids
- Aug. 10: GraceKids
- Aug. 17: GraceKids
- Aug. 27: PROMOTION SUNDAY





**PARENT MEETING after church on July 20 - all paperwork due.**

- Final Payments and Track Selections are due!
- Health Forms and a list of what to bring can be found at our website: [thegbf.com](http://thegbf.com), Click on Children's Ministry, Click on Camp KIDJAM tab.

**CAMP KIDJAM LEADERS:**

- Youth Intern Meeting on July 2 at GBF, approximately 6:30 pm.
- Adult Leader and Dorm Dads Meeting on July 16, 6:30 pm at GBF.



# Opportunities to Serve

As the school year comes to an end and summer programs and camps are just around the corner, it's also that time of the year that our ministries have holes to fill. From teaching, to loving on babies, to coaching, to cooking, to organizing and cleaning...**there is a place for you.** Take a look below at some of the opportunities to serve in the children's ministry.



**GRACEKIDS** meets most Sundays following the “singing” portion of Family Worship. Volunteers are needed to lead small group activities and to police small groups while we are meeting in large groups.

**SUMMER TIME GRACEKIDS-** Looking for some random fill ins for the summer? Would you be available to help a few times this summer in the months of June and July?



With our growing church and growing families, there is always a need for more volunteers to help in the **nursery and preschool area**. Nursery ages are from birth thru 2.5 years. Preschool ages are 2.5 years-Pre K.

- Volunteers are to serve once every 5 - 7weeks.
- Bethany Devore is the Early Childhood Director: [bethany@thegbf.com](mailto:bethany@thegbf.com), 903-815-0770



**GBF's SPORTS CAMP! An easy to lead sports ministry for elementary kids!** Anyone and everyone has a place to serve: coaching, huddle leaders (aka small group leaders), music and/or sound booth, team competitions, kitchen help, food donations, and much more!

**JULY 7-10 5:00 - 8:30 pm GBF**



Interested in being Leader at Camp?  
**July 22-25** at TWU in Denton, Texas

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If you are interested in any of the above ministry opportunities, please contact Mandy Turner or see her at the back of the sanctuary on Sunday. 903-818-7722, [mandy@thegbf.com](mailto:mandy@thegbf.com)



**Volunteers are needed in all areas: There is a place for everyone to serve (even if you can only serve part-time) in the kitchen, as small group leaders, coaches/referees, music leaders, minute to win organizers, set up and clean up crew, and more.**

## Camp Details

- **Ages: Incoming Kindergarten thru 6th Grade students**
- **7th-12th Graders are welcome to help and have their own "playtime".**
- **Registration and Playground Party on July 7, 6 pm - 8 pm.**
- **SPORTS CAMP July 8-10 5:30 pm - 8pm.**
  - ◆ **Meals included**
  - ◆ **Bring your own sports equipment (basketball, football, soccer shin guards and ball, etc)**
  - ◆ **Bring Water Bottle (can be refilled at the church)**
  - ◆ **Concession Stand opened every evening for fun snacks!**

*From Mandy:* This year we will be taking on a new approach to the camp.....after feedback from the kids, the kids want MORE PLAY TIME! Therefore, we will have more play time with more scrimmaging and other skilled games and competitions! We will also have some recess/PE favorites - like dodge ball or water games; and of course, some *Minute to Win It* competitions to top it off!

*Game Plan:* "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you." Jeremiah 29:11 -12, NIV

### Student Ministry JULY Schedule

7/2	Hawaiian Falls 9:30 a.m.-6:30 pm	7/13	Youth @ the Layman's, 7-8:30 pm
7/2	MS girls sleepover @ the Waligura's	7/20	Youth @ the Whitley's, 7-8:30 pm
7/6	Youth @ the Layman's, 7-8:30 pm	7/27	Youth @ the Waligura's, 7-8:30 pm



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**Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!  
The Lord looks down from heaven;  
he sees all the children of man;  
from where he sits enthroned he looks out  
on all the inhabitants of the earth,  
he who fashions the hearts of them all  
and observes all their deeds. Psalms 33: 12 - 15**

## ***Lifeline Groups***

Sign up at church or contact one of the leaders below if you are interested in joining this opportunity for authentic community and spiritual growth.

### All groups meet on Sundays

*Jeff & Amy Crelia* 214.566.8539  
Adult Bible Study & Family Outings  
235 Green Meadow Ct., Gunter 5 pm: Bi-monthly

*John & Lee Ann Stovall* 469.323.2393  
Experiencing God's Dream for Your Marriage  
107 Arrowhead Dr. Gunter - Twice a Month

*Justin & Keelie Ferguson* 903.818.4555  
Sharing the Gospel & Life Together: 1 Thess. 2:8  
10434 St. Hwy 289, Gunter at 5pm: Weekly

*Roy & Casey Layman* 903.818.1359  
Bring your Bible!  
107 E. Main St., Gunter at 5-6:30 pm: Bi-monthly

*Jarod & Lara Martin* 903.815.7123  
Young Adults Growing in Christ!  
259 Bost Rd., Howe at 5pm: Weekly

*Keith & Renee Belcher, Gane & Kris Roberts*  
"The Most Awesome Group!" 903.815.1128 (Kris)  
515 Kerfoot, Gunter.



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- GBF Satellite Student Ministry

If you would like to be included in the distribution list for the newsletter, please send your email and/or phone number to Lara Martin, 903-433-1732 or [lara@thegbf.com](mailto:lara@thegbf.com).

## **Contact Us**

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Brent Wilkens, Jeff Crelia  
Theron Whitley, Roy Layman

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> How People Change, 6:30 pm	<b>2</b> Hawaiian Falls, 9:30 - 6:30  MS girls Sleepover @ Waligura's.  KIDJAM Youth Leaders, 6:30 pm	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  4th of July in the Park, 6 - 10 pm	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> FAMILY WORSHIP 10:45 am  Youth @ the Laymans, 7 pm	<b>7</b> SPORTS CAMP volunteers mtg, 5-6 pm  SPORTS CAMP Registration 6-8 pm	<b>8</b> How People Change, 6:30 pm  SPORTS CAMP 5:30 - 8 pm thru 7/10	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> FAMILY WORSHIP 10:45 am  Youth @ the Laymans, 7 pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> How People Change, 6:30 pm	<b>16</b> KIDJAM Leaders Meeting, 6:30 pm, GBF	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> FAMILY WORSHIP 10:45 am  KIDJAM Parent Meeting after church  Youth @ the Whitleys, 7 pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> How People Change, 6:30 pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
		← Camp KIDJAM in Denton →				
<b>27</b> FAMILY WORSHIP 10:45 am  <b>GBF 101, 9 am</b>  No GraceKids  Youth @ the Waliguras, 7 pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> How People Change, 6:30 pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>