a community of grace

### THE BODYBUILDER

Our vision is to be a community of grace, telling the unsaved of salvation by grace, encouraging the saved to live and grow in grace, and extending grace to others.

#### The Goodness Of His Grace

March 2023

Everyone loves to hear good news regardless of its significance. It is refreshing to hear positive stories in the midst of all the negativity that drowns our newsfeeds. Just recently, we received some news that absolutely changed our lives. As most of you have already heard, we are going to be grandparents! Many of you recall the first time you heard those words and how that changed your life. I found myself wanting to tell everyone: old friends I hadn't talked to in years, my neighbors walking by, and of course family and our closest friends. News like that is hard to keep to yourself. Sometimes you just want to shout and tell the world.

As significant as our news is to us, it fails in comparison to the goodness of God's grace. As believers in Christ, our lives have been radically changed. We were destined for eternal separation from God—a life filled with darkness and death. But when we heard the good news and understood that He offered a free gift of eternal life simply on our belief in Jesus, we were made new (2 Corinthians 5:17). But it didn't stop there. His grace continues to conform us day by day as we grow in Him. We are able to experience life in abundance, not just in our future glory, but here and now.

News like that is unlike anything this world has to offer, and yet our response is sometimes a bit underwhelming. We might be thrilled at first, but that feeling soon wanes, and while we know that sharing Christ with others is important, it can lose its excitement.

How in the world does something that life-changing lose its appeal? For starters, we have an enemy that never rests. He attacks our minds with thoughts of rejection, so we become hesitant to share. He plants seeds of doubt that often cause people to question the validity of the truth they once held dear. He exploits our weaknesses and we feel unworthy. But we are not! We are trophies of God's grace and redeemed by His blood. That deserves to be shared.

So I challenge you, fellow believers. Take a moment to reflect on the truth that a great glory awaits you; an inheritance imperishable, and undefiled, and unfading, is kept in heaven for you. The best thing about this news is that it is available to others, and we need to share it. Why not tell someone today, this week, this month, your awesome news?

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## MARCH

#### **Calendar of Events**

#### Join us for these upcoming events.

- 6 Evening of Prayer, 7pm
- 13-17 BISD Spring Break
- 18 Men's Breakfast, 7:30am
- 18 Ladies' Prayer Breakfast, 7:30am
- 19 Membership Class, 12pm
- Praise the Lord for an amazing turn out at our Super Bowl Party and Chili Cook-Off. Thank you for all who participated and congratulations to Norm Atkin for his delicious winning chili!

**FAMILY UPD** 

- Pray for the many guests we have had regularly visiting BBC. Pray that we would connect well with them.
- Pray for those in our church who are sick or simply in need of God's provision in their life.





#### SPRING BREAK SCHEDULE

Mar 12 - No AWANA Club Mar 15 - No Youth activities





Join us for a great study and discussion. We are currently studying the Royal Psalms. See you there at 9:15am!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
*Birthdays			1	2 *Katie Matlack	3	4
			6:30PM Youth Group			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9:15AM Bible Classes 10:30AM Worship 4:00PM AWANA Club	7pm at BBC  Evening of PRAYER		6:30PM Youth Group			
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