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Otis Idlebird Jr.
Jason Moseley

Ministers

John Bradshaw Jr.	Pulpit
Shelton Gibbs IV	Pulpit
Patrick Worthey Jr.	Pulpit
Tyrone Jones	Associate
Ben Myers	Associate

Resident Retired Minister
Shelton Gibbs III

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

“Do not speak against one another, brothers and sisters. The one who speaks against a brother or sister, or judges his brother or sister, speaks against the law and judges the law; but if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge of it. There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the One who is able to save and to destroy; but who are you, judging your neighbor?”
James 4:11-12(NASB)

Sunday, January 28, 2024

The GACC Gazette

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THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

“Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; *I am* God, and there is no one like Me,”
Isaiah 46:9 (NASB)

"Dou can do anything you want if you just put your mind to it." I've heard that said often, but is it true? Are the successes and failures of our lives simply a matter of self-determination?

This sounds logical, but unfortunately, we cannot rely on our logic. Consider the words of Solomon, arguably one of the wisest men ever to live: "There is a way *which seems* right to a person, But its end is the way of death." (Proverbs 16:25). The way of self-determination feels right to us, but Solomon tells us otherwise.

Solomon expands on this truth in Proverbs 16:9: "The mind of a person plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps." We can plan to go a certain way and do certain things, but God ultimately determines our steps.

I admit that this is not an easy truth to accept. My own heart struggles with the breadth of God's sovereignty. But there is unspeakable joy in accepting that I am the clay and He is the Potter. This truth sets us free from the burden of self-determination.



Looking forward to studying with
you in Bible Class!

**Week 9: Making Known What We
Know of God (Psalms 101-106)**



Announcements for the Gazette are due by Tuesday, January 30, to be included
Sunday, February 4. All events must be Leadership-approved.
Visit GACoC.org to submit your request electronically.

Order of Worship

Unifying

Congregational Singing

Welcome

Responsive Reading

Prayer

Honoring

Congregational Singing

Scripture Reading

Prayer

Remembering

Congregational Singing

Communion

Congregational Singing

Encouraging

Morning Message

Invitation & Responses

Congregational Song

Gleaning

Collection

Announcements

Final Song

Final Prayer

Living Faithfully



Worship & Bible Class Schedule

Sunday AM

Worship 8:00

Bible Class 9:30

Worship 10:30

Sunday PM

Worship 4:00

Wednesday PM

Bible Class 7:00

Thursday AM

Bible Class 11:00, (via Zoom)

A wide variety of classes is available for all ages, from 2 to 102. Pick up a copy of the Education Department Newsletter and review the selections.

Bible Classes in Session

Bible class is where foundations are laid and strengthened. Guard your faith by joining us every Wednesday at 7 PM. Classes for all ages are presented on Sunday mornings and there's a ZOOM class ready for you on Thursday mornings from 11 to NOON. What are you waiting for?



GACC's Mission

To uphold (*maintain, endorse, encourage*) the sound preaching and teaching of the gospel of Christ, to expose (*bring to light, reveal*) God's plan for salvation to lost souls, and to assist (*help, support*) and encourage (*reassure, inspire, nurture*) individuals to live fully in accordance to the will of God while glorifying Him in all aspects of life, including at home, work, and in the community. (Matthew 28:19-20/Ephesians 4:12-15)

GACC's Vision: The Four Gs

GAINING: Each member is to be actively involved in seeking to save the lost through daily examples and behavior, extending invitations to others to worship services, conducting Bible classes and correspondence courses, as well as the support of, and participation in other soul-winning efforts.

GROUNDING: Each member is to be an active participant in a ministry according to their interests and abilities. Additionally, each member should home in on their responsibility to help build up the body of Christ through the development of meaningful, spiritual relationships.

GROWING: Each member is to grow in knowledge by continued participation in existing Bible classes and available workshops and seminars to enhance understanding and skill in the teaching and application of God's word.

GLORIFYING GOD: Each member should see their efforts and lives as a means of giving glory and honor to God. Each individual should present to God their best effort in worship, ministry, and life. Furthermore, each member should seek to further glorify God by loving, serving, and supporting one another.

Today . . .

"We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed."

2 Corinthians 4:8

Coming Up . . .

Prayer with Purpose, followed by *Did You Know?*, Thursdays at 7 PM, sponsored by the Evangelism ministry

Prayer for Audelia Creek Elementary School (PTA) THURSDAYS at NOON, endorsed by the Education, Evangelism and Family Life ministries

Congregational Meeting, on Wednesday, 01.31.24 at 7 PM

2024 1st Quarter Kickoff, on Sunday, 02.11.24 at 8 & 10:30 AM

Additional details are forthcoming

EVENT REGISTRATION: GACOC.ORG

HARSH WINTRY WEATHER PROTOCOL

The Greenville Avenue Church of Christ office and the Greenville Avenue Child Development Center will follow winter weather closings according to the Richardson Independent School District's schedule. In case of inclement weather and treacherous travel conditions, classes and events will be canceled. Please tune in to your local weather report for the up-to-date status.

*His will.
His way.
My Faith.*

JEREMIAH 29:11

PRAYER REQUESTS

THE GACC FAMILY OFFERS SYMPATHY TO:

Please pray for and reach out to these members during their time of bereavement.

HOSPITALIZED:

RECUPERATING:

CONFINED @ HOME:

know you care. | Please pray for a full restoration of our members' health and let them

RESPONSES

Repentance:

Special Prayer:

NEW MEMBERS

BAPTISM:

PLACED MEMBERSHIP:

Please join us in **ORIENTATION** to learn more about your new family. Orientation is held every Sunday at 9:30 AM in Room 311. *The leadership asks that you attend a one-time session; we're glad*





The
**Greenville Avenue
Church of Christ**
Gaining. Grounding. Growing. Glorifying God.

SAVE THE DATES!

An Inspiring String of Events Is Just Ahead!

CONGREGATIONAL

MEETING

Wednesday
01/31/24
7 pm

 Supper from
5:30-6:45 pm

Audelia Creek
Elementary

PRAYER
DAY
(PTA)
Thursdays
NOON



Benevolence
Ministry

BLANKET
DRIVE
through
02/10/24



2024
1ST QTR
KICKOFF

Sunday
02/11/24
8 & 10:30 am



Health Care
Ministry
CPR
TRAINING
02/17/24
\$25
plus handling fee





Personal Evangelism Corner



Hello GACC Personal Evangelist,

We have a special ask of all teachers who have taught the Good News to someone who then obeyed the Gospel. We must ensure that all new converts are fully and appropriately taught about the church of Christ at Greenville Avenue. We would appreciate your help, GACC, in ensuring that the new convert has attended Orientation and been introduced to the New Convert Class on Sunday morning and Wednesday night.

Teaching someone the Plan of Salvation is not enough to cultivate their spiritual growth. We need to confirm that the new convert has the opportunity to establish relationships with other members of the body. This step will help GACC's Leadership embrace these brothers and sisters and assist them in building a stable foundation as they continue to grow and develop in their Christian walk.

Once they have been baptized, I recommend you guide and direct them onto the pathway of righteousness. Leading a person to water is insufficient, and there is no contingency plan to ensure the new convert has been given a solid foundational study. Once your **student** has completed the Open Bible Study (OBS) and obeyed the Gospel, you should begin teaching the **new convert**.

Again, if you have instructed someone using only the Plan of Salvation, that's not enough. As the tutor who taught the person, your added responsibility is to assist them in becoming disciples, who will then go and make more disciples. Our supplemental study, The New Christian, will ensure that the new convert has a lifeline, someone who will continue to be by their side, thus eliminating the possibility of **FALLING AWAY**. If you want a copy, I will provide one for you and the new convert; please let me know.

Finally, not only do we want to save lost souls, but we also want to provide a foundation that will keep them saved. Let's utilize the four Gs: **G**aining, **G**rounding, **G**rowing, and **G**lorifying God.

Thank you all for your perseverance and tenacity in this great work. If you need assistance setting up an OBS to share the Gospel and desire resources to assist you in the process, please contact Tyrone Jones at TJones@GACoC.org or call 469.471.5704.



GACC SINGLES & EMERGING ADULTS MINISTRY

STRIKE & REEL **FELLOWSHIP**

 **SUNDAY** | JANUARY 28TH | 6:00 PM



Tickets are \$25 per person. Please send money by Friday, 1/26, either by cash in the atrium or send funds to the CashApp handle below:



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STRIKE & REEL



5902 N President George Bush Hwy,
Garland, TX 75044



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WINTER BLANKET

GIVE AWAY*

LET'S HELP OTHERS STAY WARM
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DURING THE BENEVOLENCE
MINISTRY'S BLANKET AND QUILT
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COLLECTION BINS IN THE
NORTH PARKING LOT.

01.21.24-02.10.24

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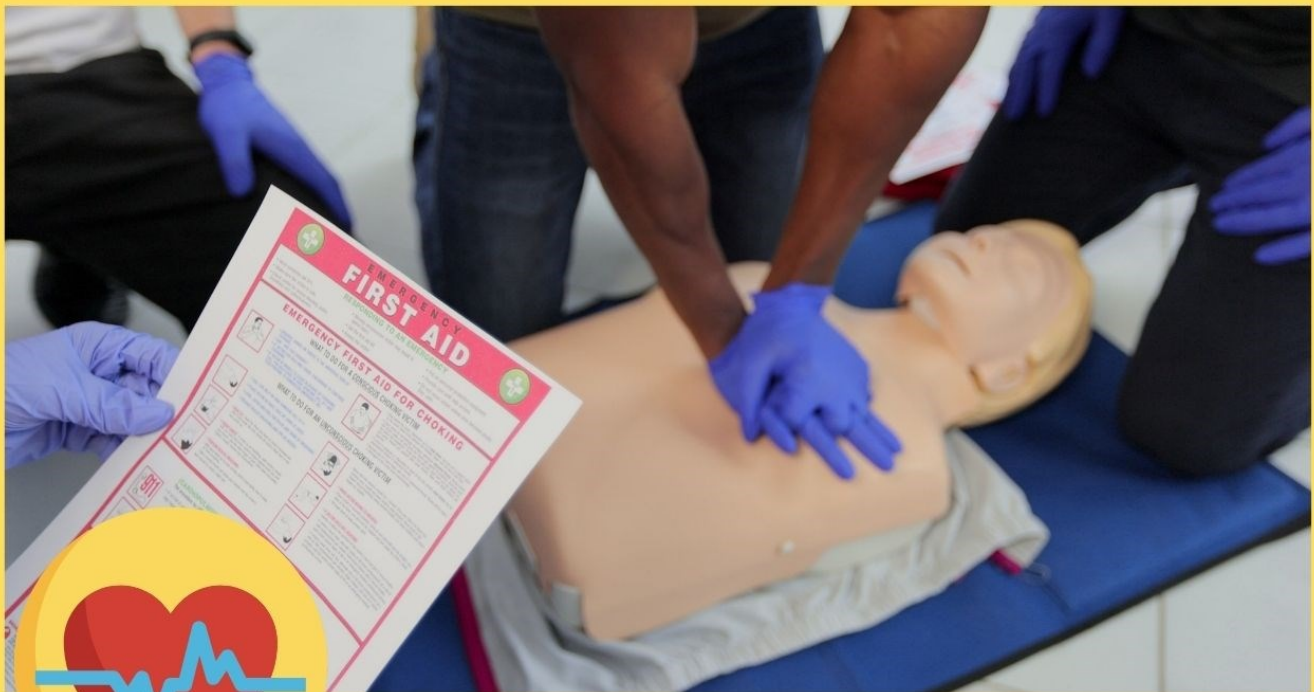


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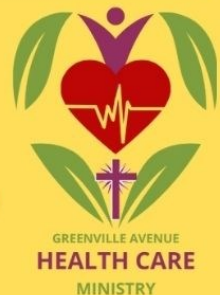
PTA @ 12 pm!

**Prayer Thursday for
Audelia Creek Elem at
NOON every Thursday.**

**Please lift the students,
Principal, teachers, staff, and
parents up to God.**



CPR TRAINING



CPR administered **immediately after** a cardiac arrest **can double or triple** someone's **chance of survival.**

YOU CAN SAVE A LIFE!

Register today for the **Texas CPR Training** on **Saturday, February 17, 2024, 10 AM-Noon** in the GACC Family Life Center; the cost is \$25 plus a small Eventbrite processing fee.



**Scan to
Register**



BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM



The Black History Program
Committee is seeking HBCU alums.
If you attended an HBCU, please
complete a two-minute survey.



Building My Faith Journal



Greenville Avenue
Church of Christ

WATCH GOD WORK IN YOUR LIFE

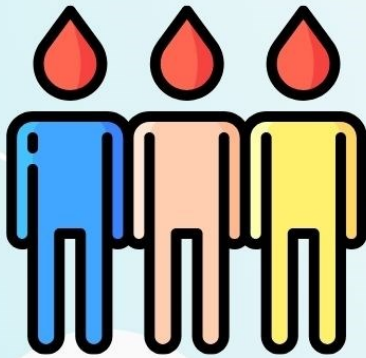
If you've been journaling in your "Building My Faith" spiral book, you have witnessed how your life has been providentially guided, changed, and blessed over the past 11 months.

If you have yet to make an entry, it's not too late. Until the 2024 theme is revealed you can continue to shape your faith and document the transformations you have and will witness due to God's grace.

Finally, suppose you want to summarize your perspective after your final entries and share it with the G.A.C.C. family. In that case, space will be available in an upcoming edition of the H.O.M.E. magazine. Please send your entry to Communications@GACoC.org when you're ready.

JANUARY Is National Blood Donor Month

WHY Donate Blood?



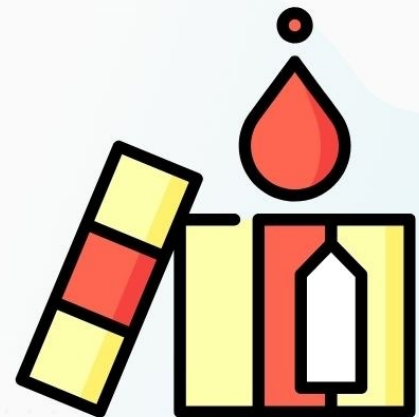
ONE BLOOD
DONATION CAN
SAVE THREE LIVES.

Blood Transfusion Is Needed

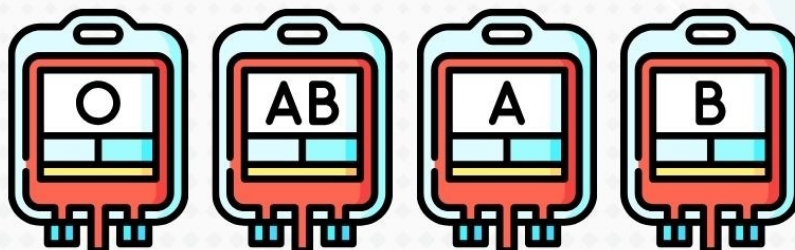
- Every 10 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood, according to the American Red Cross.
- Blood donations are used for accident victims with severe trauma, women with pregnancy complications, as well as patients needing complex medical procedures, including cancer care, organ transplants, and other surgeries.

Benefits of Donating Blood

- Black blood donors play a critical role in helping people with sickle cell disease, the most common genetic blood disease in the U.S. Patients with this disease may require regular blood transfusions throughout their lives to help prevent sickle cell complications.
- Blood donation is an opportunity to contribute to someone else's good health
- Receive a mini-health check-up for blood pressure, hemoglobin, and cholesterol



THERE IS NO
SUBSTITUTE FOR
HUMAN BLOOD.



No matter what type of blood you have,
a patient somewhere needs it.





GRATITUDE!

Thank you, Greenville Ave. family, the church, and all the prayer partners that have offered up prayers on my family's behalf during the loss of our Aunt.

With sincere thoughts,

Thank you for your loving heart and helping hands.

To my dear GACoC members

We just want to take the time to say thank you for our encouraging words, prayers, texts, and phone calls on behalf of my family, especially my daughter, . Please continue prayer for her. We really appreciate the time you took on our behalf. Asking God to bless each of you and continue to provide all your needs. God loves you and so do I.

Sister

& Family

With Heartfelt Appreciation during such a difficult time your kindness meant so much.

Thank you for all your thoughtfulness and caring.

Thank you for your prayers, cards, flowers, and encouragement shown to me on the loss of my sister,

. I could never say Thank You enough for your ways of encouragement. Heartfelt love, and appreciation to the GACoC Leadership and Congregation.

Love, Sis

& Bro.

We appreciate the many acts of kindness shown during the passing of our mom, . Your prayers increased our faith, your words encouraged our hearts, and your presence during the winter storm gave us strength. May God continue to bless us all.

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In Christian love,
& Family

AMONG THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST

Prestoncrest (Dallas): 2nd Annual 'Telling the Story' Conference on Evangelism and Church Growth; 02/23-02/25; www.Prestoncrest.org/story; incredible speakers from across the brotherhood



Airport Freeway (Eules): **KID'S RALLY**—Road Trip: Out of Egypt (1-day VBS); Sat., 02/03; \$10 (lunch, snacks, t-shirt) for grades 2-6; register by Mon., 01/22; AFCoC.org

Grand Way (Marshall): **Ladies Day**—"The Blessings of Living God's Way vs My Way"; Sat., 02/03; Speaker: Edith Brown (Arlington CoC); Breakfast 8 A, Program 9 A; 903.927.1335

Russell Road (Shreveport): **Men's Day Seminar**—"Finding Our Way Back Home"; Sat., 02/24; Speakers: Mike Williams, Jerry Houston, Randall Tucker; Breakfast 8:15 A, Program 9 A-1 P, includes lunch; CoCRR.org

Bryan (Bryan): **Women's Wellness Mind, Body & Soul Workshop**—"Be Renewed in the Spirit of Your Mind"; Sat., 03/02; Speakers: Annette Williams, LPC, RPT; Victoria Jackson; Breakfast 9:15 A, Program 10 A-2 P, includes lunch; BryanChurchofChrist.com--

Wylie (Wylie): **Mighty Men's Mentoring Conference**—"UNCOMFORTABLE"; Sat., 02/03; Speakers: Matt Vega, Reed Swindle, Willie B. Williams; Southfork Ranch, Parker, TX; WylieChurchofChrist.org



East Third Street (Chattanooga, TN): **Annual Singles Retreat**—"Building Up the Body of Christ as Christian Singles"; Fri., 04/12-Sun., 04/14; \$80 thru 02/04; \$95 02/05-03/08 (no checks); lodging at Embassy Suites (\$159/night); **Contact**-Yolanda Johnson—YolandaJohnson6492@Gmail.com, ChattCoCSM22@Gmail.com or 423.645.9550; EastThird-Street.org/Live; hotel deadline 03/05 800.362.2779; semi-formal banquet Sat night; Guest Speakers: Trey Carrion (Stonecrest CoC), Kenya Parmes (Camp Creek CoC)



Service Group Locator ZIP Code Table

1 James & Sandra Wright | 469.600.4783

North Dallas	75202	75204	75205	75206	75207	75209
	75214	75216	75218	75219	75220	75221
	75222	75225	75226	75229	75230	75231
	75235	75238	75240	75243	75246	75251
	75354	75355	75374	75380	75382	

3 David & Delores Myers | 241.577.7342

Addison, Aubrey, Carrollton, Commerce, Coppell, Corinth, Dallas, Denton, Farmers Branch, Flower Mound, Grapevine, Justin, Lake Dallas, Lewisville, Little Elm, Oak Point, Roanoke, Savannah, Southlake, The Colony	75001	75006	75007	75008	75010	75011
	75019	75022	75028	75029	75034	75056
	75059	75065	75067	75068	75077	75084
	75093	75210	75234	75244	75245	75248
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	75442	75650	76023	76025	76051	76065
	76071	76201	76205	76208	76210	76226
	76227	76247	76262			

4 Ira & Andrea Hall | 214.606.0296

Caddo Mills, Fate, Josephine, Lavon, Point, Quinlan, Rockwall, Royce City, Rowlett, Sachse, St. Paul, Wythe	75032	75037	75048	75087	75088	75089
	75098	75135	75182	75189	75472	75474

5 Bernard & Vernita Aikens | 214.732.3330

Garland	75040	75041	75042	75043	75044	75045
	75046	75049				

6 Tim Shields | 972.567.8038

Murphy, Richardson	75080	75081	75082	75083	75085	75094
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8 Shelby & Karen Reese | 972.709.1786

Arlington, Bedford, Cedar Hill, Corsicana, DeSoto, Duncanville, Dallas, Edgewood, Ennis, Euless	75038	75039	75050	75051	75052	75054
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Forest Hill, Fort Worth, Glenn Heights, Grand Prairie, Harker Heights, Hurst, Hutchins, Irving, Keller, Lake Worth, Lancaster, Las Colinas, Mansfield, Midlothian, North Richland Hills, Ovilla, Red Oak	75208	75210	75211	75212	75215	75216
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9 Robert & Beverly Dunman | 469.826.6361

Allen, Anna, Celina, Denison, Fairview, Farmersville, Frisco, Grapevine, Greenville, Lavon, Lucas, McKinney, Melissa, Parker, Plano, Princeton, Prosper, Sherman, Van Alstyne	75002	75009	75013	75020	75023	75024
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10 Autavius & Tangela Hobbs | 469.328.8958

Dallas, West Mesquite	75147	75149	75150	75185	75227	
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12 Dwayne & Ella George | 214.729.6517

Baich Springs, Crandall, Dallas, Forney, East Mesquite, Heartland, Heath, Kaufman, Seagoville, Sunnyvale, Terrell	75114	75117	75126	75142	75159	75160
	75180	75181	75182	75217	75223	75228
	75253					

11 Fred & Linda Green | 972.296.5360

Young at Heart: Members age 60 and up, all ZIP Codes						
14 Jeromé & Erinn Travis 972.835.6955						
Children, Adolescents, Teens to age 17, all ZIP Codes						
15 Patrick & LaShonda Worthey 469.454.5080						
Singles, Unmarried, Widowed Members, all ZIP Codes						

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We provide three meals: breakfast, lunch, and a p.m. snack.

E-mail the Center at GACDCFAMILY@GACoC.org

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