

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see our events table at the back of the Sanctuary for flyers, handouts, and info regarding these upcoming events at GBC.

Sunday Mornings	9:00am	Quest — Youth Breakfast and Bible Study Meets in the Downstairs 'Quest' Room
Monday Evenings	6:30pm	Bible Study & Prayer Meeting (Multipurpose room)
Wednesday Mornings	10:00am	Bible Study & Prayer Meeting (Multipurpose room)
Wednesday Nights	6:15pm	AWANA (off until January)
Wednesday Nights	8:00pm	GBC Ensemble Rehearsal (postponed until January)
Tuesday December 24th	6:30pm	Christmas Eve 'Candle' light Service
Tuesday December 31st	4:30pm - 7:30pm	GBC's Fantastic Family Fun Fair (see flyer on Events Table for more info)
Tuesday January 14,	11:45am	Ladies' Monthly Luncheon Courtyard Grill @ 2 Dunlop Drive
Sunday January 26th	6:30pm	Henley Concert with <i>Michael Booth</i> and <i>The Torchmen Quartet</i>

Notice from the Board of Glenridge Bible Church

The Board has established a Nominating Committee for the purpose of proposing a slate of nominees to fill Board vacancies for the year 2025.

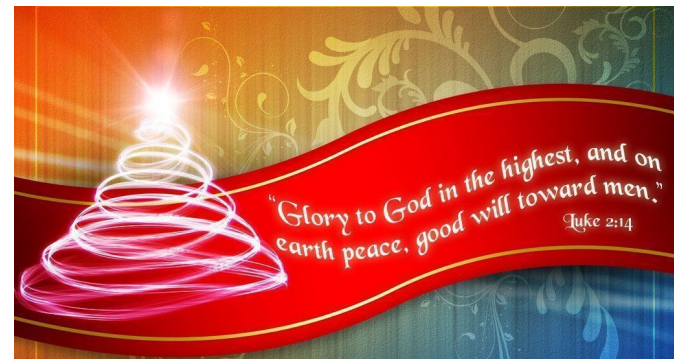
The members of the Nominating Committee are:

George Warkentin, Pastor Bobby Halek, Dominic Mastrocola
Ursula Savoie, Stan Piggott

If you are interested in serving on the Board of GBC, or would like to submit a nomination, please make submissions to a member of the committee no later than Sunday, December 29, 2024.

Details regarding submissions are provided in a copy of our Bylaws at the back of the Sanctuary and can be found in Bylaw 9.03(a).

Duties and Responsibilities of Elders, Deacons, and Director of Finance can be found in your copy of the GBC Bylaws, or through the Church Office.



Welcome to our 4th Advent Service this Lord's Day



December 22nd, 2024

Pastor Bobby Halek
"The Birth of Immanuel"
Luke 2 : 1-20

**A Bible-Based Community, united by God's love
and grace, that worships Him, serves others,
and proclaims the message of Christ.**



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(Search for GlenridgeBibleChurch)

Today at Glenridge Bible Church

But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Galatians 4 : 4-5

Order of Service

Announcements

Opening Hymn

#137 "What Child is This?"

Key Verse & Invocational Prayer

Musical Praise—Dove

"Do You Hear What I Hear?"

"Go Tell It On the Mountain"

"Mary's Boy Child"

Worship Through Tithing

DiscipleLand Segment—Advent Wreath

Special Music—Connie Kingston

"Love Has Come"

Scripture Reading

Luke 2 : 1-20

Message—Pastor Bobby

Advent (part 4) - "The Birth of Immanuel"

Closing Hymn

#127 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

Benediction

Update From our Finance Committee:

Fundraising:	\$ 299.00
Coffee Fellowship:	\$ 9.15
General Offerings December 15th, 2024:	\$ 5,308.00
Estate Gift:	\$ 2,000.00
Average General Offerings YTD:	\$ 6,086.82

With only 2 Sundays left in 2024,
Weekly Offerings Required to Meet Budget by year-end
\$ 9,329.61

Thank you to all who were willing and able to participate.

Note: New Offering Envelopes for 2025 are available and you can find them in your church mailboxes. If you have any outstanding 2024 receipts/invoices for church expenses, please submit them to the Church office by next Sunday (at the latest).

Our FUNdraising team has a limited supply of



Small Apple Pies
\$5 each — 400° for 1 hour

Looking for a small Christmas gift for a neighbor? Paper Boy? Teacher?

These homemade delights are available for \$20 per box.

They come in a nice display box and make a great last-minute gift for someone special this Christmas!



So far this year, with your generous help, we've been able to raise \$4,597.00!

This year, the funds raised are going towards the repair costs after a bad summer storm flooded a portion of our basement.

Scripture Reading — Luke 2 : 1-20

Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. ²This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city. ⁴Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, ⁵in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child. ⁶While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

⁸In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; ¹¹for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴*"Glory to God in the highest,*

And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased."

¹⁵When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the Shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger.

¹⁷When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. ¹⁸And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.

Sermon Notes:

1. Caesar's decree was a sovereign fulfillment of what prophecy?
_____.
2. What reasons would Mary have had to join Joseph?
- _____, - _____, - _____.
3. Greatness in the Kingdom of Heaven isn't _____,
but in the values of _____, _____, and _____.
4. The Angelic announcement of a Savior's birth was intended for both _____, and _____.
5. The birth of Christ declared that God is _____, and _____.
6. Often the traditions and celebration of Christmas can distract us from the amazing _____.



Thanks to all of the wonderful volunteers that helped make our GBC Christmas Banquet such a success, and to all those that brought delicious food to add to our buffet tables.

Special recognition to Mark Yap and Richard Biega for their incredible work in the kitchen!

Thanks also to the Halek, Kersten, and Harder families for helping to set up tables, chairs, bringing up all the table settings by hand since the elevator was down. Thanks also to Derek, Stan, and Rick for helping with coffee and maintaining the food tables. Also many thanks for all the folks helping with cleanup afterwards. These events don't happen without all your incredible help and hard work!



GBC has an urgent need for more nursery workers!

We are operating in faith that God will bring more children and we want to be ready to receive them!

If you are interest, please contact Angela Kersten a.s.a.p.

HENLEY

CHRISTIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

presents



MICHAEL BOOTH

TORCHMEN QUARTET

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025

6:30pm

Honouring Mike Moran's
Music Ministry
(1969 - 2024)



No tickets or registration required
Freewill Offering will be taken
Doors open at 5:30pm * Seating at 6:00pm
Fully accessible facility

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2024 GBC & AWANA FANTASTIC FAMILY FUN FAIR

Join our family event on
Tuesday, Dec 31st!
4:30pm - 7:30pm

For all GBC folks and AWANA families!
Come, play, eat, socialize, and laugh with
friends while playing fun games!
Come celebrate our church community and
participate however you like!

Here at
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**Pizza & Drinks
provided**

**Please bring
along a snack to
share**

- * Fun Music Playing
- * Early Enough to not be cranky the next day
- * For the Young and... less young!

No Grinches Allowed!

QUEST

Pursuing Faith, Wisdom,
and Maturity in Christ...Together

An 8-week study in Esther

Come for breakfast!
Bring your Bible
Friends welcome
Youth Grades 7+

GBC
Quest Room
Sunday Mornings 9am
Beginning Jan 5

For more information call the office at 905-937-1326
or email GlenridgeBC@gmail.com



**GLENRIDGE
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Christmas Eve

**Candle-Light
Service**

TUESDAY | **24
DEC** | AT 6:30 PM

(FAMILY-FRIENDLY ARTIFICIAL CANDLES)

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