

Welcome to Grace Bible Fellowship

THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 19

9:00am Discipleship Hour-
Classes for Preschool – Adult
Adult class- Fireside Room

10:15am Worship Service

6:30pm PrayerWorks

Join us as we gather together to pray for the church family and the ministries of the church.

Wednesday, August 22

6:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast

Breakfast & a time of prayer for the needs of the GBF family members.

7:00am Women's Prayer Meeting

Breakfast & a time of prayer for the needs of the GBF family members.

6:30– 10:00pm Youth Group: Dinner & Movie



Join us at the Perlenfein's for dinner & a movie. The movie will be outdoors, so bring a lawn chair and/or blanket.

Saturday, August 25

9 – 10am Evangelism Class

Pastor Tom will teach tips, techniques & principles for evangelism.

10am – 2pm Church Picnic @ GBF

If you plan on attending the picnic please pick up, and fill out, the form from the foyer. **Inflatable & lawn games-Hamburgers, hot dogs & corn provided.** Families: Please bring a salad & dessert. Couple/Singles: Please bring a salad OR a dessert.

Ray Allen Message

Office hours: Mon 10am – 3pm; Tues—Thurs, 9am—3 pm

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Upcoming Events

August 29

The **Youth Group** will not be meeting.

September 3

Labor Day – The church Office will be closed.

September 7 – 9 **Men's Roundup @ Camp Tadmor,**



If you are interested in attending **Men's Roundup** you can sign up in the foyer. For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact Dean Flaming.

A big THANK YOU to GBF from Love, INC for your generous donations of school supplies and backpacks for to the School Backpack Giveaway.

Please check the cart in the Coffee Connection Room for any items that might belong to you.



There are devices for the hearing impaired available for use during the morning service. Please ask an usher or someone in the sound booth. if you need assistance.



The morning message is available through podcast at <http://gbfalbany.com/sidebar/resources/> or you can request a CD copy at the information center in the foyer.

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GBF Elders: Info and Updates

Occasional postings throughout the year featuring a biographical sketch of a GBF elder; and/or a current emphasis of our elder team.

Ron Burch



Ron was born March 27, 1949 in Albany, Oregon. His father was killed in a railroad accident when he was a year-and-a-half old, leaving his mother, older brother, Mike, and soon to be brother, Gary, in the care of relatives. His mother remarried several years later and they moved to Shedd, Oregon. The family grew to seven children.

Ron graduated from Central Linn High School in 1967 and attended Oregon College of Education. Upon earning his degree in Speech, Drama and English in 1972 he began teaching at Calapooia Middle School in Albany, Oregon where he met his wife, Ardiss Jean Kennel, a Home-Ec teacher. They were married August 12 of 1973, and built a home on the family farm in Monmouth. A son, Jordan Levi, was born in 1977 and a second son, Justin Joel, was born in 1979. Several years later, Ardiss went on to teach at Santiam Christian High School where their children also attended. Ron was a Board Member for 4 years and sports announcer for 30 years at SCHS.

The foundation for Ron's Christian walk began with Summer Bible School at Plainview Mennonite Church and the Youth Group at Shedd Methodist Church. He became a Christian in March of 1972. Ron and Ardiss helped to found Prince of Peace Mennonite Church, in Adair Village where Ron served as Sunday School teacher, Church Chairman, and later, as Elder. The church has since become a community church. Ron and Ardiss began attending Grace Bible Fellowship in 2004.

Their older son, Jordan, is married to Kristin and they have two grandsons, Tommy and Peyton. Their younger son, Justin, is married to Mellissa and they have a granddaughter, Maren, and two grandsons, Owen and Josiah. On July 16 of 2017 Ardiss died of renal cancer.

In addition to serving as an elder; Ron, for several years, taught an adult class on the Old Testament, now carried forward by Dean Flaming.

