

Pastor's Pen

"Sow the Seed, Trust the Lord"

"The soil produces crops by itself; first the blade, then the head, then the mature grain in the head."

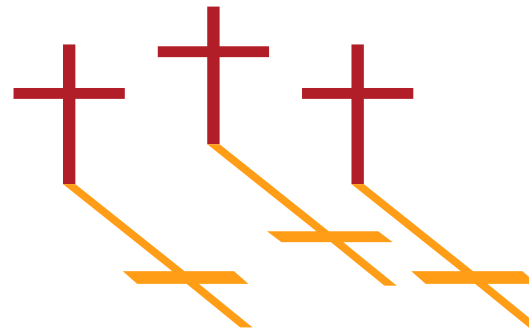
Mark 4:28

There's a deep peace that comes from knowing God is in control of everything—even our salvation—and that peace is a gift He gives to all who believe. In the Gospel of Mark 4:26-29 we find the parable of the Seed Growing.

Jesus tells us that the farmer throws out the seed and then goes on with life, sleeping, waking up, and doing his daily routine. He has no idea how the seed grows. But somehow, it does. Slowly and steadily, something begins to happen. First a little sprout, then a stalk, and eventually a full head of grain. It's quiet, it's gradual, and most of the time, it's happening where no one can see. However, it's real and in the right season, the harvest shows up.

That's what Jesus is getting at in this parable. It's a picture of how God works. He is the one who builds His kingdom, both in the world and in our hearts. Maybe you've been sharing the gospel with your kids, praying for someone you love, or showing up week after week to serve, and you're wondering if any of it's making a difference. Don't lose heart. God sees it. You're planting a seed, and He's the one growing it. Even if you can't see the results yet, trust that He's working in ways you don't yet understand. Your effort is never wasted. Your faithfulness matters.

Your shepherd,
Pastor Mark



Quote of the Week



"The sovereignty of God is the pillow upon which the child of God rests his head at night, giving perfect peace."

-Charles Spurgeon

Grace Gems

Valley Of Vision Devotional

Thou Maker and Sustainer of All Things

Day and night are thine; heaven and earth declare thy glory. But I, a creature of thy power and bounty, have sinned against thee by resisting the dictates of conscience, the demands of thy law, and the calls of thy gospel. Yet, I live under the dispensation of a given hope.

Deliver me from worldly dispositions, for I am born from above and bound for glory. May I view and long after holiness as the beauty and dignity of the soul. Let me never slumber, never lose my assurance, never fail to wear armour when passing through enemy land.

Fit me for every scene and circumstance. Stay my mind upon thee, and turn my trials into blessings, that they may draw out my gratitude and praise as I see their design and effects. Render my obedience to thy will holy, natural, and delightful. Rectify all my principles by clear, consistent, and influential views of divine truth.

Let me never undervalue or neglect any part of thy revealed will. May I duly regard the doctrine and practice of the gospel, prizing its commands as well as its promises. Sanctify me in every relation, office, transaction, and condition of life—that if I prosper, I may not be unduly exalted; and if I suffer, I may not be over-sorrowful.

Balance my mind in all varying circumstances, and help me to cultivate a disposition that renders every duty a spiritual privilege. Thus may I be content, be a glory to thee, and an example to others.

Weekly Gatherings



Sunday Bible Classes

Elders- Old Testament (Sanctuary A)
Bereans- New Testament (Sanctuary B)
Ladies- (Downstairs B, Gray Room)
Young Adults- (Downstairs B, Red Rm.)
Youth and Surge (5th-6th)- (Upstairs C)
Children & Nursery (Downstairs C)



Weekday Meetings



Family Groups

All Family Groups on hiatus until September



Build the Body Teams

If you would like to serve on a BtB Team and need to sign up, please contact the team leader at the appropriate email address on the back of this bulletin.



Youth Study

Wednesdays @6:30PM
Youth Study & Surge!



Service Times

Sunday School 9:00AM
Children's Church 10:30AM
Sunday Services 10:30AM

Giving from service on 08/03/2025

General Offering	\$9,013.70
Building Fund	\$3,324.50
Uganda	\$200.00
Benevolence	\$95.00

Total.....\$12,633.20
Attendance..... 235

Build the Body Ministries

Women's Ministry-women@ghbcva.org
AWANA-awana@ghbcva.org
Outreach Ministry-outreach@ghbcva.org
Worship Ministry-worship@ghbcva.org
Men's Ministry-men@ghbcva.org
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Welcome