



New to gFree? Here's what to do:

1. RELAX

Welcome! We're glad you are here. Make yourself comfortable. Grab some coffee and a snack. Restrooms are down the hall on the left. A family bathroom is beyond the double doors on the right.

2. Know YOUR KIDS ARE IN GOOD HANDS

Programs for birth through 6th grade are available at both services.

This is a great place for children to learn about Jesus! Our team of volunteers have been fully screened and cleared, so you can enjoy a worry-free worship time.

- Meet our volunteers with your children at the check-in station located at end of the hall.
- You will be given a security tag.
- One of our volunteers will escort children to their classroom.
- Bring your security tag to your child's classroom to pick-up them up. We cannot release children to find you.

3. FILL OUT the CONNECTION CARD

Help us connect with you. Fill out as much as you feel comfortable sharing on your Connection Card. Drop it in an offering basket located near the exit doors of the Worship Room.

4. PICK UP YOUR GIFT!

If this is one of your first times at gFree, we want to offer you a gift. Pick up your gift from the info Desk in the Hospitality Room today. We hope you had a great time!

WHAT'S HAPPENING 08/16/2026

Guest Speaker today- Bob Selfridge

Courageous Kids - End-of-Summer Party **cancelled today** due to weather. Move-up ceremony for kids moving up is still happening today at 12:30pm in the Activities Room.

Missions Fire Night - Sunday, August 23rd at 6pm. Come out for a fire night with The Sheriff's! Hot dogs and drinks will be provided — just bring a side or dessert to share. It'll be a great evening of fellowship as we hear stories of what God is doing in Chile. Be sure to sign up on your Connection Card.

Church Picnic - Instead of Church in the Park, we will hold our regular services at 9:15 AM and 11 AM here at the church. After the second service, we'll enjoy a full church picnic together. Please bring a chair and a side dish to share. Sign up on your Connection Card.

Men's Retreat -

Join us for Friday& Saturday, Sept 18-19th at Mahaffey Camp & Conference Center for men 18 and older. The cost is \$100, which includes meals, lodging, and all weekend activities. This two-day retreat offers an opportunity for rest, connection, and spiritual renewal in a peaceful setting. Sign up on your Connection Card.

Men's Event Garage Clean-out & Brunch -

Join us Saturday, August 29th at 10am at Bud's Stiner's house. His back keeps him from organizing his garage, so we're stepping in to help. We'll help out then head out for brunch together. Sign up on your Connection Card.

Women's Event Candy Bar Bingo & Candy

Apple Bar - Join Women's Ministry on Thursday, September 3rd @ 6:30pm for Candy Bar Bingo and a Caramel Apple Bar. Please bring a full-sized candy bar. Sign up on the Connection Card to let us know you're coming.

SMALL GROUP

SIGN UP SLIP

Select a group and drop it in the offering baskets at the door.

Name: _____

Provide your contact info on your Connection Card, if you haven't already

Groups begin week of September 13th and go thru October. Meetings will be 60-90 min long. Groups are mixed unless otherwise noted.

- ☐ **Practicing the Way Course-** (8 weeks)
Sundays @ 6:30pm w/ Annette Albright

The Practicing the Way Course is a teaching, guided conversation, and spiritual exercises that build a foundation for lifelong apprenticeship to Jesus.

- ☐ **Courage to Stand** - (6 weeks)
Mondays @ 7pm w/ Olivia Beck

Join John McCarthy for a six-part journey through the book of Joshua. With powerful teaching and stunning footage, you'll be encouraged to be strong and courageous as you cling to God's Word and take your next brave step of faith.

- ☐ **Every Captive Thought** - (5 weeks)
Thursdays @ 6:30pm w/ Eileen Meyers

Kyle Idleman focuses on the battle for your mind and the renewal Romans 12:2 calls us to. You'll learn how God designed your mind and how to take every thought captive and align it with His truth.

- ☐ **Living the Lord's Prayer** - (6 weeks)
Saturdays @ 6pm w/ Ryan Parish

When Jesus taught us to pray, he was also teaching us how to think and live in the Kingdom. In this study, we'll explore the depth of his instruction and learn how to live in Jesus' vision each day.

*** All groups meet at the church ***

CONTACTS

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Connection Card

08/16/2026

I am a:

- ☐ 1st time guest
☐ 2nd time guest
☐ Regular Attendee
☐ Member

Name _____

1st time info

Email _____

or updated

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Best contact phone (____) _____

Please place this card in the offering basket.

★ By entering your cell phone, you will receive church texts about items you signed up for.

How did you hear about us?

- ☐ Friend ☐ Newspaper
☐ Facebook ☐ Website
☐ Other _____

Operation Christmas Child— We are parenting with Samaritan's Purse to bless children with Christmas gifts around the world, sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ! Please pick up your box(es) in the Welcome Room on your way out today. An info sheet is inside the box to give you packing ideas and instructions. Packed boxes need to be returned by



Sight and Sound Trip - GFree Church Life is sponsoring a bus trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA to see Joshua on October 24, 2026. Show time is 11:00.am. We will leave from the church parking lot and time to be determined. Price for the trip is \$225 per adult and \$155 per child. This includes transportation, the show, and a buffet meal at Hershey Farms. Reservations/payment due by Sept 20. Contact Jeff Baker for questions. Sign up on your Connection Card if interested.

Ladies Game Night - Join us Tuesday, August 18 at 6:00pm at Heritage Ridge Senior Living at Windy Hill, located directly behind the main building for a fun and relaxing evening with the Senior Living residents. Feel free to bring your favorite game to share. Please call or text BJ Lesko at 814-553-5185 to sign up.

Backpack Prayers - The school year is almost here! Help cover our gFree kids and youth in prayer by picking up a backpack with a student's name on it. Keep it in your home, car, or another place you'll see often as a reminder to pray for that student throughout the school year. **Pick up a student's name at the table in the Welcome Room.**

gFree Courageous Kids - IT'S BACK! Starting September 3rd! Kids in grades 4th-6th join us weekly on Thursday nights at 6pm for Courageous Kids Club! Kids will enjoy Bible lessons, hands-on activities, and prayer in a fun, welcoming environment that helps them grow in faith and friendships. For questions, contact Mindy at mindy@gfree.org.



Fall Kickoff — September 6, 12:30–3:00 PM Youth is back! Join us for a huge kickoff with a cookout, a 100-foot slip-n-slide, Water Balloon Battleship, and all kinds of water fun. Bring your friends and jump into the new season with us.



Regular youth meetings resume 9/13 from 12:30-2:00 with lunch.

Want to sign up to bring a meal? Email youth@gfree.org , scan the code or mark your Connection Card.



Prayer Requests:

Requests go to our Prayer Team. If you want it to go to Pastors only please check this box ☐

Connections

- ☐ **Men's Event** - I will attend Clean-up & Brunch on Aug 29th
- ☐ **Men's Retreat** - I am interested in attending the men's retreat Sep 18-19th
- ☐ **Sight and Sound Trip** - I am interested in attending the trip on Oct 24th.
- ☐ **Missions Night** - I will attending the Missions night on Aug 23rd
- ☐ **Church Picnic** - will attend church picnic on Aug 30th # attending _____
- ☐ **Youth Meals** - I would like to sign up to bring a meal for Youth
- ☐ **Women's Event** - I would like to attend Candy Bar Bingo on Sept. 3rd