

February 8, 2026



# Welcome to Fellowship!

Thank you for joining us for worship today! If you are a first-time visitor, please visit our Welcome Desk in the foyer or scan the QR code at right to complete a Guest Connect form.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun. Feb. 8 Spanish Bible Study
- Sun. Feb. 8 Foundations Class
- Tues. Feb. 10 Adult Bible Studies
- Wed. Feb. 11 Adult Bible Studies
- Wed. Feb. 11 GriefShare
- Wed. Feb. 11 Fellowship Kids Ministry
- Wed. Feb. 11 Student-Reach
- Thur. Feb. 12 MomLIFE
- Thur. Feb. 12 ForeRunner's Lunch
- Fri. Feb. 13 Date Night

### Need Assistance?

Visit the South Foyer Welcome Desk and our friendly Welcome Team will be glad to answer any questions or help you find the information you're looking for!

### Need Coffee?

Visit our Café in the North Foyer. Our Hospitality Team is ready to serve you!

### Need Prayer?

If you would like someone to pray with you, our Prayer Team is available at the back of the Worship Center after each service.



Scan to register for the Date Night on Feb. 13!

*For complete event details and registration, visit our website: [fellowshipwaco.org/events](http://fellowshipwaco.org/events) or scan the QR code at right.*



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When life feels like a high-speed roller coaster of uncertainty, loss, and change, where can we find steady ground? In 1 Peter 1:6–9, God shows us how to hold on to lasting hope and deep joy even in the middle of suffering. Today, we will learn how to experience God’s hope in hard times.

Grant Kaul, Senior Pastor

## Hope in Hard Times

### 1 Peter 1:6-9

How do we experience God’s hope in hard times?

**1. Rejoice in the privileges of salvation** **1:6a**

What is the “living hope” God gives to His people?

God gives new life in Christ **1:3**

God gives a new future in heaven **1:4**

God gives a new confidence in the present **1:5**

#### 4 Ways to Give



**In Service**

*Boxes in Worship Center*



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## 2. Remember the purpose of trials

1:6b-7

- Trials are temporary (v. 6)
- Trials are necessary (v. 6)
- Trials are difficult (v. 6)
- Trials are varied (v. 6)
- Trials are revealing (v. 7)
- Trials are purifying (v. 7)

## 3. Renew yourself in the Person of Christ

1:8-9

*Focusing our hearts on Jesus is how we experience  
hope in hard times.*

### Take Next Steps



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Small Groups

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## ***My personal application of this passage:***

### **Questions for individual study, small group Bible studies, and LIFE Groups:**

1. What current trial in your life is hardest for you to trust with God? What might it look like to believe that God is using it for your spiritual good?
2. How do you usually respond when suffering comes - by drawing closer to Christ and His word or by pulling away? How can this passage help your heart and guide your approach?
3. In what ways have past difficulties strengthened or refined your faith? How can remembering God's past faithfulness encourage you today?
4. In hard seasons, what habits help you stay connected to Jesus?
5. Who around you is walking through a difficult season right now, and how can you walk alongside them with Christlike compassion this week?