



# GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

September 7, 2025

## **Trailblazers Luncheon** **September 9, Noon, Family Center**



**Join us and "GET TO KNOW" our  
Campus Minister, Charlie DeLong.  
Bring a Potluck Dish to Share**

### ***TRAILBLAZERS***

**This Ministry is for everyone 55+  
(The generation leading the way!)  
Contact Rudene Adams to help!**



### More Words To Live By

I love this quote—"It is impossible to waste your life if you live it for God." WOW!

Again, from one of my favorite daily devotionals by Esther Smith:  
Chronic Illness: Walking by Faith

"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." (1 Cor 15:58)

"No matter how tired or broken you feel, no matter how little you accomplish each day, no matter how meaningless, or mundane your weeks and years feel—be encouraged. Your labor is not in vain. One day you will be rewarded. One day all that you have done will be made into something new. It is impossible to waste your life if you live it for God." (p 80)

Many a church leader feels, at times that they are not making a difference—that way too many people just want to "attend church"—rather than be connected in community with a willingness to serve.

Many a church leader grows weary of trying to lead the unwilling from passive participation to deeper discipleship.

Many a church leader prays for strength and endurance in the face of chaos and conflict in life and church.

And the incredible thing is that God uses us anyway! Hold on to Christ with deep hope. Your labor is not in vain!

Blessings, GDK



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### Month of August 2025

Individuals	586
Families	156
Clothing	129
New Clients	17

(Numbers increased over last month)

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**Love Basket News (Dublin)  
The Love Basket Served 221 Families (8 new)  
and 713 Individuals in August**



**Basic Needs has an  
URGENT need for  
these items:  
Mac & Cheese  
Your help is  
appreciated!  
Let's Fill The Cart  
& More!**



## Sunday Morning 9:00 Adult Bible Class Schedule

**September 7: Auditorium Class** is on the Holy Spirit

**Campus Ministry Class** is in Room 109

**Marriage Enrichment Class** begins in GPS Classroom

**Doug Young's Class, "Collision or Convergence: Life, the Christian, and God's Plan,"** resumes in the Family Center.

**September 14: Auditorium Class and Campus Ministry Class** is in Room 109

**Marriage Enrichment Class** in the GPS Classroom

**Doug Young's Class, "Collision or Convergence: Life, the Christian and God's Plan"** in the Family Center.

# BABY

*Shower*

BABY GIRL STOREY IS ON THE WAY!  
JOIN US FOR A SHOWER HONORING:

ALLISON STOREY

&

BABY ALTA JEANETTE STOREY

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

ADDRESS:

TRI C BUILDING

1093 W TARLETON ST

STEPHENVILLE, TX

76401

RSVP TO MARLENA BY

AUGUST 31

254-592-4937

2:00 PM



REGISTRY:

THE STOREY FAMILY

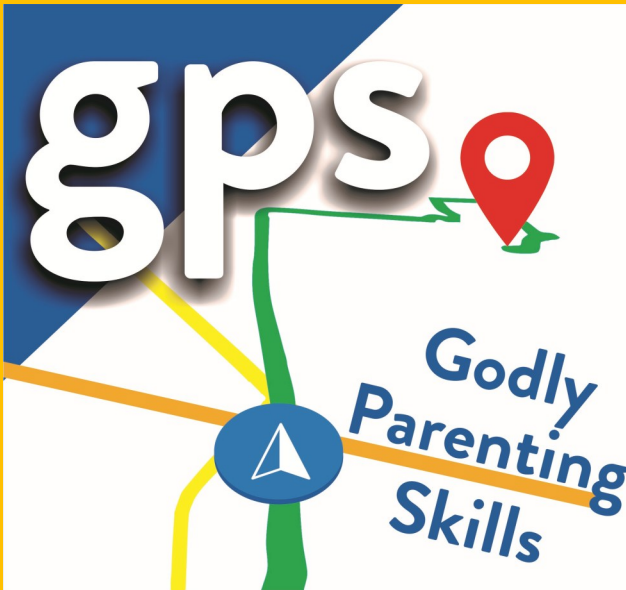
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**For the Fall Semester GPS  
will focus on**

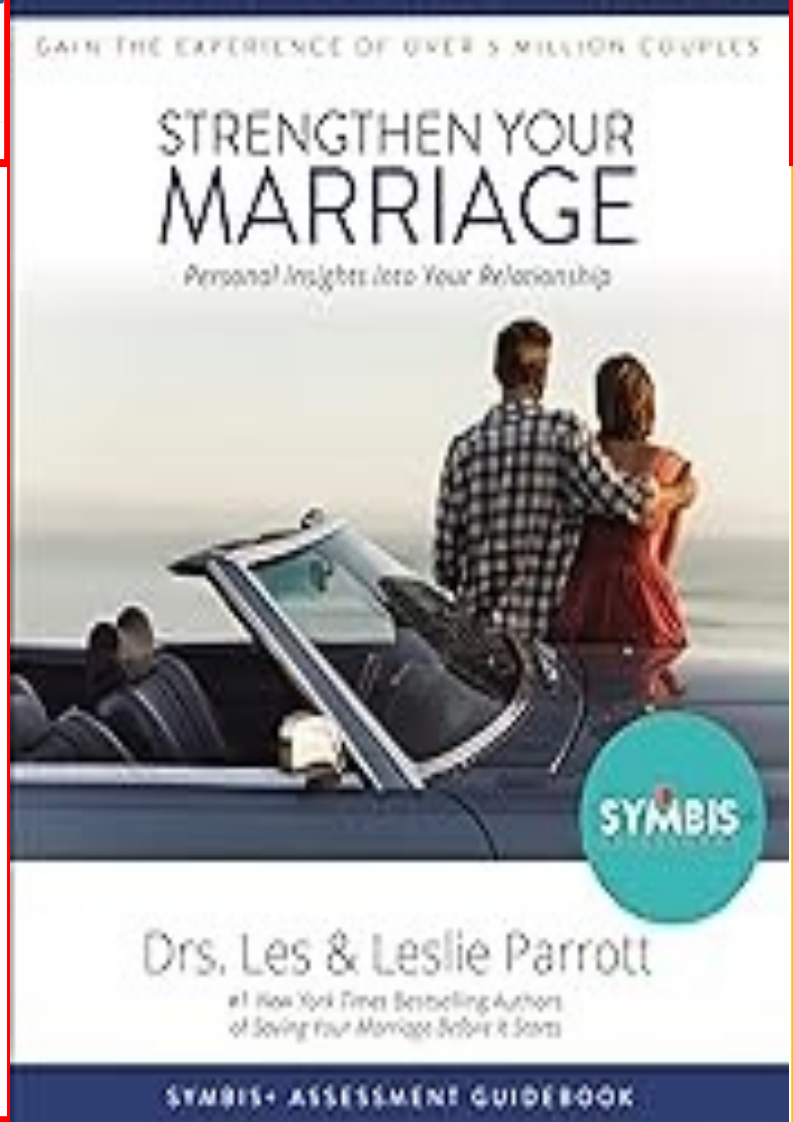
**“Strengthen Your Marriage”**

**Class begins Sept. 7**

**The SYMBIS  
Marriage  
Assessment**

**Is required for the  
class. Email David to  
sign up:**

**David@grahamstreetchurch.com**



**SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS 9:00 AM**





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### Upcoming Events

➤ Sunday, September 7th—**The Holy Spirit class** will be in the auditorium. Marion Lewis will be the teacher

➤ Sunday, September 7th—**The Texans for Christ** will meet in room 109. They will use “How To Not Study the Bible” during class.



➤ Sunday, September 7th—**The GPS Class** will meet and begin studying how to “Strengthen Marriage”. David & Vicki Bearden will be teaching the class.

➤ Sunday, September 7th, **Doug Young will begin a discussion class** in the Family Center

➤ Sunday, September 7th —**Worship Service begins at 10:00**. The sermon will be on “Introduction To A Model Church”

➤ Sunday, September 7th—**Junior Cross Connect** in Brownwood (for grades 4th—6th)

➤ Tuesday, September 9th—**The Trailblazers** (formerly Duracells) will meet in the Family Center at noon. Guest speaker, Charlie DeLong. (more information on page 1)

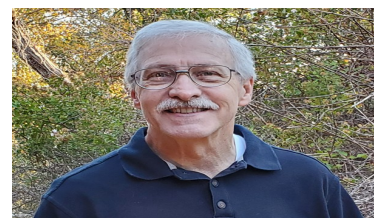
➤ Wednesday, September 10th, **5:30, Le will serve a delicious meal of Meatballs in Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert** in the Family Center (suggested price \$4.00—volunteers are needed and requested to help)



➤ Thursday, September 11th—**Soup Kitchen** in the Family Center—come before 5:30 and help set up—stay and help serve



➤ Friday, September 12th—**Matthew Stroup** begins his Let's Start Talking Journey (see Page 8 for more information)





Fred & Cathey Alvord; Billy & Linda Powell; Courtney Clayton; Ricky Caudle; Mildred Buchanan; Susie Barnes; Karen Bills; Kenneth Wylie; Chantelle Mora; Theresa Young; Jorge Espinoza, brother of Vincent Lopez; Ron Wilhite; Meldeene Elliott; Jody Caudle; Gregg Belcher; Cody Bedwell; Kelly Elston's parents; Allie Collier; Ron Brewer; Gray Canan (works at Foster's Home); Dean Lewis, son of Marion & Ann Lewis; Joan Anderson, daughter of Jerry Lindley (recovering from a stroke); Paul & Marilyn Schulze

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## Giving Update

Contribution 08/31/2025	\$ 8,505	Budget for 2025	\$ 12,900
YTD Contribution	\$ 407,102	YTD Budget for 2025	\$ 451,500

Percentage of YTD Contribution Budget 91.5%

Tri-C Parsonage Remodel Budget = \$75,000 \$200 Collected Percentage Raised: .003%

## Texans For Christ Campus Ministry

- Sun., Sept 7—Class 'How Not to Read the Bible' 9:00 a.m.
- Sun., Sept 7—Bible Study 8:00 at the Tri-C
- Tues., Sept 9—Worship at 8:00 at the Tri-C
- Sat., Sept 13—Out-of-Towners visit Dinosaur Valley State Park
- Sat., Oct 18—T4C Alumni BBQ on Homecoming Saturday



CareFlite Insurance is Still Available  
\$75.00 covers your entire family for 5 years  
Enrollment Forms are in the Church Office



**Celebrate Recovery**  
Monday Evenings, 6:30 p.m.  
Family Center

If you are New or Visiting? Connect with Us! Use your phone camera to scan this QR Code and fill out a Connection form online!

QR Code to access Connection Form





Heart | Soul | Mind | Strength  
Graham Street Youth Group



## TEENS

### Children's Ministry



For ages 3—1st Grade  
\*Volunteers See  
Courtney McGuire \*



Children's Bible Lessons in  
their usual locations at  
9:00 a.m.



There **WILL BE** Children's Church 09/07/2025

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Children's Church Teachers Needed! See  
Courtney McGuire or Whitney Oliver if you  
can help!



Jr. Cross Connect on Sunday, 9/7  
(in Brownwood)

Ages 4th—6th Grade

Contact Megan Becker with any questions

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Next Children's Ministry Meeting is Sunday,  
October 5, 2025, immediately following  
worship service in Room 109

### Youth Group News



- Cross Connect on Sunday, 9/14 in Eastland
- Youth Devo on Sunday, 9/21 from 5:00 to 7:00 at the home of Bob & Darla Doty
- Six Flags Tentative Date, 10/11
- Youth Devo on Sunday, 10/19
- Progressive Dinner on 11/16

### Meeting Times Sunday

Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Class 6:30

Church Office Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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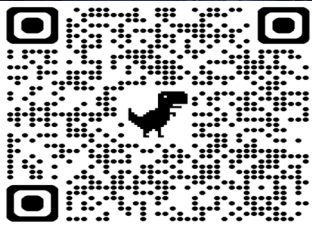
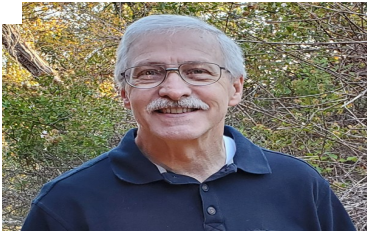
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Stephenville, TX 76401



**Matthew Stroup Will be Traveling to Argentina with Let's Start Talking  
(Here is Matthew's story & how you can help)**



In 2019, I was blessed to be able to travel to Beijing, China with Let's Start Talking (LST) and help people learn better English by using the Bible. In just two weeks, we formed bonds with several Readers, and I am still talking with them on a weekly basis! LST equips hundreds of people each year to share Jesus and share their lives with international friends through English, friendship, and faith, [www.lst.org](http://www.lst.org).

I'm now in a different chapter in my life, and am looking forward to another trip to work with the Church in Buenos Aires, Argentina from September 12-27.

This Church hosts up to 4 LST teams a year that help people read the Bible. I've been reading over the internet with a Reader, Gabriel, for over a year, and am excited to be able to meet him in person!

I've created a website that will help you follow the daily activities:

<https://sites.google.com/view/matthew-stroup-lst-trip/home>

First and foremost is a request for prayers that God will use me to help others in their spiritual journey. If you are able, please feel free to donate directly to LST through the link:

<https://lst.app.neoncrm.com/MatthewStroup2025>, or give me a check payable to LST.

Should you have any questions about LST or the trip, please do not hesitate to visit with me in person, send me an email, [mrstroup1977@gmail.com](mailto:mrstroup1977@gmail.com), or call me, (817) -705-3703. With your prayers and financial gift, together we'll be generating life-changing conversations with new friends who might not know God, yet, or want to know more.

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**Article in the Christian Chronicle about Zimbabwe**

Harare—Prisons in the southern African nation overflow with souls hungry for the Gospel.

In the past year, two ministers for Churches of Christ reported nearly 900 baptisms through the New Life Behavior International curriculum.

Stanley Shereni and Eric Mangisi visit 19 prisons and teach nearly 9,000 prisoners and prison staffers each month, said Mike Biggers, president of New Life Behavior. The ministers work in partnership with the Graham Street Church of Christ in Stephenville, Texas.

A recent "Family Week" at the prisons allowed relatives and ministers to visit inmates who aren't otherwise allowed to have visitors. Shereni and Mangisi, along with Christians Donivert & Josephine Khata, counseled the inmates and provided supplies including toiletries and blankets.

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**The Mission Committee purchased 800 Shona Bibles for Stanley Shereni  
to distribute in Zimbabwe.**