



GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rooted - Growing - Reaching

June 1, 2025



June 5th-7th (times below)

Basic Needs has closed its donation bin and is not accepting donations from the public until June 14th. That does not apply to our church family. It takes time to process everything we receive and while we are setting up it is hard to do both. Basic Needs will begin moving items from storage on Sunday, June 1st to the Family Center. Monday through Wednesday will be prep days. Any large items or furniture you wish to donate should be brought to the Family Center Wednesday June 4th from 1:00—4:00.

The Garage Sale will begin on Thursday, June 5th at 2:00-6:00pm, Friday, June 6th 8:00am-5:00pm and Saturday, June 7th 8:00am-1:00pm. At the end of the Garage Sale everything will be packed up and will need to be moved out of the Family Center. We would appreciate any help during the week of June 1 through June 7th. Volunteers are needed to display items, help with checkout, security, organization & meal prep.

There is a Basic Needs Meal Train posted for
for the 2nd - 6th at <https://takethemameal.com/YRIH9816#> .

If you can help in any of these areas it will be deeply appreciated.



God Heals

A couple of weeks ago, at 5 am while in the bathroom my blood pressure was too low and I crashed through the shower door. It shattered. Fortunately,

I only received a few cuts and bruises. I am recovering and thank God for Karen, and meds.

I say this to acknowledge that God heals through his design of the body and in collaboration with attentive caring people and medicine.

For some people, however, the body has too much to overcome, prayer is the only hope and sometimes, healing occurs and at other times, there is ultimate healing in the presence of Jesus. I do not say this in a cavalier way; long term illness and decline is difficult and exhausting to care givers.

I have shared about my health journey and how it has changed in my life. I am still healing and have been on dialysis for seventeen months. Most days, I do okay but other days I wonder if this is as good as it gets. I am not on a kidney transplant list until my sacrum wound heals, colostomy reversed, and stoma hernia repaired. My transplant team at Dallas Methodist says I am an excellent candidate, and the best-case scenario is to have a live donor. Now, we pray and wait, and I remain steadfast in the witness of Scripture that God *does heal, eventually. Healing is complex in human experience and multifaceted in Scripture*

This is the overwhelming testimony of Scripture, the ground of prayer and hope for broken lives. That would be all of us in one way or the other. One of the names of God is Jehovah *Rapha* translated in various contexts as heal, restore or health.

As believers we affirm God's healing yet live with those who have not be healed, even ourselves. We are all broken in so many ways—physical, emotional, psychological and the most profound, spiritual.
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God Heals Continued

Being human is complex and separating all the components of our humanity into cause and effect is futile. God heals out of compassion and mercy as an act of grace for we cannot heal ourselves. Suffice to say, there is mystery to healing. Yet, God heals and makes new for the sake of relationship with us. God's ultimate concern is to be in relationship with us.

In my physical weakness and limitations, it is helpful to reflect once again on healing and what God wants most is a relationship. With a relationship, there will always be ultimate healing.

"May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ." Blessings, GDK



Month of April 2025

Individuals 574

Families 148

Clothing 113

New Clients 13

16 more clients than in March

Love Basket News (Dublin)

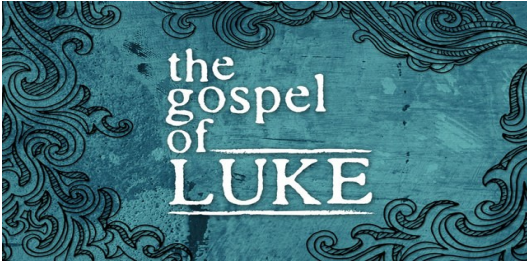
The Love Basket Served 145 Families and 412 Individuals in April



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



Adult Bible Study Opportunities



On Sunday 06/01/2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium, we will have study a different topic, led by Marion Lewis, in Hughbert Collier's absence.



Young Adult Class



GPS Class



New Bible Study Discussion Class

All these Sunday morning classes are dismissed for the summer. They will start back in September.

Everyone is invited to join the class in the auditorium for the summer.



Ladies' & Men's Wednesday Night Bible Class

The Men's & Women's Bible Class will meet on Wednesday, 06/04/2025, at 6:30. These are both discussion classes. The women will meet in Room 109 & are studying the book of James. **The men will meet upstairs in room 222 in the education wing for this week only.**

On Wednesday, June 4th, come at 6:30 to the auditorium and hear about our summer preview & upcoming VBS. Once that has been concluded, go to the GPS room for pizza! (5:30 meals in the Family Center are suspended for the summer.) **The Wednesday Night Summer Children's Classes will be taught with 4 "Stations". Teachers are needed for the Wednesday Night Summer Schedule. If you can help, please contact Megan Becker.**



SUMMER SERMON SERIES

"A Reaching Church"

How the "Acts Church" was a "Reaching Church," and how this applies to the Graham Street Church of Christ

I will begin a new sermon series for the summer June 1, which continues to look at Luke's account of the ministry of Jesus moving from the Gospel of Luke to the study of Jesus' ministry in the book of Acts through the Holy Spirit's work in the Church. We will look at 6 important principles of outreach by the "Acts Church" that surfaced in the first few chapters of Acts while the church remained only in the city of Jerusalem and then follow these principles through the whole book of Acts as the Church expands throughout the world. The 6 principles are captured in these words that all begin with the letter P:

1. Prayer
2. Proclamation
3. Popularity
4. Persecution
5. Problems
6. Place

I will begin by introducing all six June 1, and each week following we will look at them individually. Your assignment is to read the book of Acts looking for these principles. As we dig in deeper, we will begin making applications to our congregation, and your assignment will be to commit to them in prayer. I am very excited about this journey together. I know it is difficult to be here every Sunday during this summer, so I encouraged you to take advantage of the recordings that are posted online when you are not able to be here in person. Let's all commit together to study the principles that will help us to be the "Rooted, Growing, Reaching Church" the Lord has called us to be!

David Bearden

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1—June 7—**Basic Needs Garage Sale**. The work will begin on Sunday, moving the items from storage to the Family Center. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will be the days used to set up the Garage Sale. The actual sale starts on Thursday and ends early Saturday afternoon. Please come help if you can. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

June 12: **Soup Kitchen**—Come before 5:00 and help set up—stay and help serve



June 19: **Community Food Pantry**—come before 5:00 and help set up—stay and help distribute groceries (in the First Baptist Church parking lot)



June 23—June 26: **Kidz Kamp** (sign up if you haven't already)

<https://forms.gle/qQ5gvPFvym68CNbg8>



Fred & Cathey Alvord; Billy & Linda Powell; Courtney Clayton; Ricky Caudle; Mildred Buchanan; Susie Barnes; Karen Bills; Kenneth Wylie; Chantelle Mora; Peggy Rice; Mary Havens; Theresa Young; Pam Clayton; Jorge Espinoza, brother of Vincent Lopez; Ron Wilhite; the family of Pat Lovell

Giving Update

Contribution 05.25/2025 \$ 9,564 **Budget for 2025** \$ 12,900

YTD Contribution \$ 248,660 **YTD Budget for 2025** \$ 270,900

Percentage of YTD Contribution Budget 91.79%

Texans For Christ Campus Ministry

Graduating Seniors:

Kylea Duvall, Kyle & Kaitlyn Blount, Zimrie Goen, Luke Malone,
Britta Robertson, Reese Young,
Allissa Lane, Masters in Speech Therapy
Hanna Bowers, graduated from Concordia University in Nebraska



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

For any Hurt, Habit or Hangup

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

5/25 Sunday Morning at 9:00



There Will Be Children's Church
06/04/2025



June 8 VBS Meeting immediately following
worship service in Room 109

VBS Work Day, Sunday, July 20th following
worship service

VBS Work Time, Wednesday, July 23rd,
starting at 6:30 during Bible Class Time

Megan Becker will be the coordinator.

Graduating Seniors:

Caroline Baughn, Kinley Bedwell, Emma
Forehand, Seth Gilley, Kylar Harcourt, Laura
Haynes, Madi Rust, Jack Butchee, Katie Arnold

Camps for 2025:

June 1-5 Lake Cisco Christian Camp

June 8-13 Camp Encounter (Lubbock)

June 15—21 Bandina Christian Youth Camp

Meeting Times Sunday

Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Meal 5:30

Wednesday Class 6:30

Church Office Hours

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

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