



GRAHAM STREET  
CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

January 11, 2026

**GOD CAUSES  
ALL THINGS  
TO WORK  
TOGETHER**  
*for the good  
OF THOSE WHO  
love Him*





## Time

It's cliche' but so true—"Time marches on." The beginning of this new year has me pondering my life timeline.

It is humbling to know that I have more time behind me rather than ahead. To be human is to have aches and pains, limitations and at times, groanings. We are in good company since all creation groans waiting for its redemption (See Romans 8.18f).

In my youth I thought that I would be strong in mind, body and spirit for a long time. Two out of three is not too bad now. . My body has its limitations but as long as possible I will cultivate my mind and be vibrant in spirit. Over the past couple of years so many people have said, "God is not done with you. You still have work to do." Most days, I feel it and wake up with a sense of purpose in spite of my compromised health.

What I do know is that so many things just don't matter. Giving myself to what it means to finishing well does matter. Finishing well, for me, is holding on to Christ, no matter what, loving more fully, being with family, and serving others anyway I can.

As my teacher, the late Paul Faulkner prayed so often—"Lord, in a world of needy others, help me do what I need to do rather than want to do and like it."

And of course, Psalm 71.18 has been my prayer for years. Time marches on. Cliche? Yes. Truth? Absolutely!

## Basic Needs

Basic Needs is back on their regular schedule. The donation bin is open. The Food and Clothing Pantries are both open on Thursday mornings from 9:00 to noon.

Over **6,400** people were given assistance from Basic Needs in 2025, (see all totals below)

This would not be possible without the volunteers and countless donations during the year. Thank you to everyone who helped Basic Needs.



### Totals for 2025

Individuals	6,471
Families	1,706
Clothing	1,207
New Clients	147

(YTD Numbers increased over same period 2024)

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**Love Basket News (Dublin)**

The Love Basket Served 308 Families (8 new) and 973 Individuals in December



### Fill The Pantry!

Basic Needs has an URGENT need for these items:  
**Canned Chicken**



### Upcoming Events

- Sunday, January 11th—There will be a class in the auditorium on “**Some Important Figures in Different Religions**”, taught by Matthew Stroup.
- Sunday, January 11th —**The Texans for Christ** will start back meeting in room 109 today.
- Sunday, January 11th—**The GPS Class** will meet and study how to “**Strengthen Your Marriage.**” David & Vicki Bearden are the teachers.
- Sunday, January 11th—the “**Collision or Convergence: Life, The Christian, and God’s Plan**”, is in the Family Center, Doug Young is the teacher.
- Sunday, January 11th —**Worship Service begins at 10:00**. The lesson will be given by David Bearden on “Working Together to Show God’s Love”.
- Wednesday, January 14th—Le Jones will be serving a delicious meal of **Chicken/Sausage/Rice, Peas & Carrots**, plus a **Dessert**.  
(Suggested price is \$4.00)



ERATH COUNTY  
**United Way**

# STEPHENVILLE COMMUNITY PANTRY

Third Thursday of every month  
5-6:30 PM  
First Baptist Church Parking Lot  
334 W. Green St.

The Third Thursday of every month is the

Community Food Pantry

It is in the First Baptist Church Parking Lot.

This month, it falls on January 15th.

Arrive by 4:30 to help set up.

Stay starting at 5:00 to help distribute groceries.

Help is always needed.



Tony Territo; Lani Rust; Jessie Teague, daughter of Jim & Cindy Holt; Fred & Cathey Alvord; Billy & Linda Powell; Mildred Buchanan; Karen Bills; Kenneth Wylie; Theresa Young; Ron Wilhite; Meldeene Elliott; Paul & Marilyn Schulze; Gregg Belcher; Grady King; Gloria Scott; Mary Havens; Vincent Lopez; Please remember the families who recently lost a loved one and continue to keep them in prayer

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### Giving Update

Contribution 01/04/2026	\$ 10,109	Budget for 2026	\$ Pending
2025 YTD Contribution	\$ 670,800	YTD Budget for 2025	\$ 670,800

Percentage of 2025 YTD Contribution Budget 100%

Tri-C Parsonage Remodel Budget = \$75,000 \$19,900 Collected Percentage: 26.5%

## Texans For Christ Campus Ministry

**Sunday Morning Class Starting 1/11/2025 in Room 109 (studying Hebrews)**

- Sunday evenings—8:00 p.m. Bible Study (studying Acts)*
- Tuesday evenings—8:00 p.m. Worship Night*
- Tuesday Meals Start on 1/20/2026*



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



### Celebrate Recovery

**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**





## Trailblazers Luncheon

### January 13, Noon, Family Center



#### “GETTING TO KNOW YOU”

Join us and  
Bring a Potluck Dish to Share  
Soup, Sandwiches, Cornbread, or a Dessert

**TRAILBLAZERS**

**This Ministry is for everyone 55+  
(The generation leading the way!)**

**Contact Rudene Adams to help!**



*Heart | Soul | Mind | Strength*  
**Graham Street Youth Group**

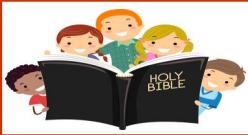


## **TEENS**

### **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 01/11/2026

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



**CHILDREN'S  
ministry  
NEWS**

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The next Children's Ministry Meeting will be on Sunday, May 3rd, immediately following worship service in Room 109.

#### **Tentative Family Event Dates:**

**January 30th—Family Movie Night**

**February 27th—Father/Daughter Night**

Any tentative dates will be confirmed in the very near future.

**LTC is 4/3 through 4/5**

### **Youth Group News**

- Jan 16—Jan 18—Winterfest, Arlington
- Jan 25th—Cross Connect in Early
- Feb 15th—Cross Connect in Brownwood
- Feb 22nd—Jr Cross Connect—Lake Cisco
- March 1st—Cross Connect, Graham St.

#### **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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