



# GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

**June 22, 2025**

**Thursday, June 26, 2025**

## Casseroles



**Night of Casseroles is Thursday—Casseroles are needed! Drop yours off by 4:45 at the Family Center—stay and help distribute them**



## STEPHENVILLE COMMUNITY PANTRY

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

**Moved Due to Juneteenth—  
Thursday, 6/26/2025**

Be Still

And Know

*Huckabay Church of Christ  
Ladies Night*

**Saturday June 28, 2025**

**5pm to 7pm**

Speakers:

Angela Harvey Archibald, of  
Southside Church of Christ  
Fort Worth, Tx  
and Kelijon Nance of  
Huckabay Church of Christ

join us for wonderful fellowship,  
singing, prayer; great food,  
and a deep dive into the confidence and peace we have  
in our relationship with our Lord  
in times of joy and stress

**Psalms 46:10**



## Congregational Ministry

**Congregational ministry is not for the faint hearted and is all consuming—mind, body, soul, and spirit.** This is why the jokes about only working two days a week is absurd.

But no one likes a complaining minister—an oxymoron for servants of Jesus Christ. So, I will give voice to some of their realities because I have *'been there, done that!'*

**It's nothing new. A young evangelist named Timothy knows.** Raised by his grandmother and mother, mentored by the Apostle Paul and living in a large urban center—Ephesus. 1 & 2 Timothy describe his reality. In many ways, Timothy's ministry is to rescue a troubled congregation with doctrinal and ethical maladies— to address an unhealthy culture inconsistent with the gospel.

**Reading Paul's letters to Timothy prompts some questions.**

1. Where are the mature older members? Yes, there are elders and older members, but some of them are more of a hindrance than a help. What happened to the elders in Ephesus who were instructed to shepherd the flock and had such a meaningful relationship with Paul?
2. Why would the gospel not supersede an obsession with the Law, cultural myths, and traditions?
3. Why would congregants be influenced by those whose character is in question?

These are some of the dynamics Timothy is called to address. It is the same today and there is a price to pay to engage in this kind of gospel centered ministry. If popularity and "go along to get along" is the focus ministry integrity is lost. It is no wonder that Paul closes his correspondence to Timothy with *"The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you"* (2 Tim 4.22). *Every minister I know needs a good helping of grace rather than judgment from those they serve.*

Timothy needed a word of encouragement and guidance from Paul. So do the Timothy's today. God's call to ministry doesn't have to reach the point of "Enough." May the Lord be with your spirit and those whose wounds are deep and hurtful.

**Blessings, GDK**



**Schreiber Foods made a \$1,000 donation to Basic Needs. Most Thursdays, there are several volunteers from Schreiber that come and help with the Food Pantry.**



### Month of May 2025

<b>Individuals</b>	<b>595</b>
<b>Families</b>	<b>157</b>
<b>Clothing</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>New Clients</b>	<b>14</b>

**80 more clients than in January**

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**Love Basket News (Dublin)  
The Love Basket Served 149 Families (11 new)  
and 423 Individuals in May**



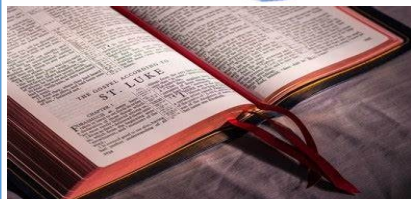
**Basic Needs has an URGENT need for these items:  
TOILETRIES, Your help is appreciated!  
Let's Fill The Cart & More!**



### Adult Bible Study Opportunities



**Marion Lewis will start teaching a Bible Class this Sunday on “The Holy Spirit” in Room 109.**



**Hughbert Collier will continue teaching from the Gospel of Luke in the auditorium.**

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#### Ladies' & Men's Wednesday Night Bible Class

The Men's & Women's Bible Class will meet on Wednesday, 06/25/2025, at 6:30. These are both discussion classes. The women will meet in Room 109 & are studying the book of James. Men will meet in the auditorium and discuss the “Reaching Church” material.

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.



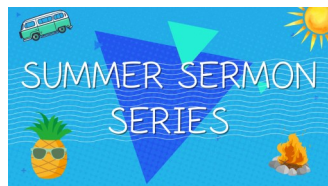
#### VBS Sign Up

**Journey To The Promised Land—VBS sign-ups**

**July 27-30**

**6:00-8:00 (3 years old—6th grade)**

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**Update to Our 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 began a new sermon series for the summer on June 1st, 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 are looking at 6 principles of outreach by the “Acts Church” that surfaced in the first few chapters of Acts while the church remained 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

Your assignment is to read the book of Acts looking for these principles. With the study of each principle, we will see how the Holy Spirit empowered them. Then we will look at the church at Ephesus, adding Paul’s letter to the Ephesians as a case study of the church application of 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 the summer, so I encourage 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 26: Community Food Pantry**—come before 5:00 and help set up—stay and help distribute groceries (in the First Baptist Church parking lot—moved due to Junetenth Federal Holiday)

➤ **June 26: Night Of Casseroles**—Drop off your casseroles at the Family Center by 4:45—stay and help distribute them starting at 5:00 until they are all gone.



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**Charlie DeLong will be here Sunday morning, 6/22/2025, and he will be leading singing.**



Fred & Cathey Alvord; Billy & Linda Powell; Courtney Clayton; Ricky Caudle; Mildred Buchanan; Susie Barnes; Karen Bills; Kenneth Wylie; Chantelle Mora; Theresa Young; Pam Clayton; Jorge Espinoza, brother of Vincent Lopez; Ron Wilhite; Bobby Robertson, father of Lisa Rose; Meldeene Elliott; Jody Caudle

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**Giving Update**

<b>Contribution 06/08/2025</b>	<b>\$ 9,414</b>	<b>Budget for 2025</b>	<b>\$ 12,900</b>
<b>06/15/2025</b>	<b>\$ 7,938</b>		
<b>YTD Contribution</b>	<b>\$ 281,698</b>	<b>YTD Budget for 2025</b>	<b>\$ 309,600</b>
<b>Percentage of YTD Contribution Budget 90.9%</b>			

**Texans For Christ Campus Ministry**

**Graduating Seniors:**

Kylea Duvall, Kyle & Kaitlyn Blount, Zimrie Goen, Luke Malone, Britta Robertson, Reese Young, Allissa Lane, Hanna Bowers

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**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\*



## SENIOR TRIP

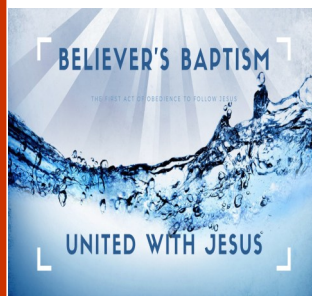
2025 High School Senior Trip:  
July 14—July 18

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### Children's Bible Lessons

6/22 Sunday Morning at 9:00



Micah Bowers was baptized on 6/17/2025. You can write Micah to send blessings at: 649 Bluebonnet, Stephenville 76401



There Will **NOT** Be Children's Church  
06/22/2025

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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.

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### 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

Phone 254-965-4510

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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.