



GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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May 10, 2020 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

➤ **TARGET DATE** for returning to worship at the building is **Sunday, May 17** (while resuming COVID-19 health precautions). If you have not yet completed the survey, please do so as soon as possible!

➤ **WE ARE STILL THE CHURCH - We are still involved in missions:**

"Night of 100 Casseroles": was a **BIG** Success! 65 families were served! Our next Night of 100 Casseroles will be **Thursday, 5/28/2020**, and will repeat on the 4th Thursday of each month. Drop off of casseroles will be 4:00 to 5:00 at the Family Center. Distribution is from 5:00 until 7:00 (or when the food is all gone!)

Prison Ministry "For Such A Time As This": To my Graham Street Church Family, I would like to say "thank you" for supporting the Jail and Prison Ministry. You are to be commended for your love, compassion and generous gifts which are making this Ministry possible.

In addition to our Prison Ministry here, we are supporting a Prison Ministry in Zimbabwe where New Life Behavior curriculum is being taught. There are fourteen courses designed to help individuals to be reconciled to God, family, and society. The Bible is used as the guide to teach desired changes in thinking, attitudes and behaviors. The curriculum is approved by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

We are blessed to be part of a congregation whose leadership saw the need for Celebrate Recovery in our community. In addition to the weekly meetings at the Family Center, we started Celebrate Recovery classes at the local jail each week for men and women. As interest in studying the Bible grew, we introduced New Life Behavior Courses. We could never have imagined that from this beginning, we would be mailing these "little brown leather Bibles" and New Life Behavior Courses to men and women all over the states of Texas and Arkansas, as well as other states as far off as Wisconsin.

Currently, we have mailed a total of 800 Bibles and are sharing New Life Behavior lessons with as many as 300 men and women. This number grows daily as we receive requests for Bibles and the New Life Behavior Courses. For those who are participating in this Ministry, we are blessed and would like to visit with any of you who may be praying to God to "enlarge your territory". You never know where His Spirit especially when we are living in "such a time as this".

God bless to everyone...just wanted to provide the update. In Christian Love, Jan Alderfer

➤ **Please remember to keep your contribution current.**

Although we are not meeting at the church building each week, your continued support of our missions, ministries, and church expenses are still needed. Some ways you can contribute:

1. **Mail a Check to the Church Office** (P.O. Box 6, Stephenville, TX 76401)
2. **Bank Auto-Pay**
3. **On-Line Donation via grahamstreetchurch.com**



OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER:

Sunday Morning Worship: <https://www.facebook.com/grahamstreetchurch/>

House Church Resources: <https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com>

Graham Street Grill: (Live Question & Answer Bible Study 7:00pm on Monday) Watch for special Bible scholar guest <https://www.facebook.com/grahamstreetchurch/>

GPS Class will not meet until classes resume at the building.

Ladies Class 7:00pm Wednesday Evening: Led by Sherri Caraway on Zoom. A new link is posted weekly on the private Facebook Group or you can call the office for the link:

[Graham St C of C Womens Ministry. H.U.G.S. Hearts United in God's Service](#)

Chronological Bible Reading: <https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-reading-plan/chronological.html>

NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Deacons Meeting: Saturday, May 16, 2020, 10:00 am at Family Center. Other volunteers are welcome to help with logistics for the returning to the building for worship on Sunday, May 17, 2020.

Thank you, Graham Street, for participating in the National Day of Prayer - 24 Hours of Prayer Vigil. You may enjoy watching the live on location prayer video on the Stephenville Minister's Alliance Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/stephenvilleministersalliance/videos/256776525441798/>

We are about to begin a new phase of our building improvement – new roof over office area and some new air conditioners. The building upgrades continue, even though we have been away. Your continued support for the Building Fund is greatly appreciated.

SENIOR SUNDAY: Sunday, May 17th we will honor our high school seniors. **SENIORS AND FAMILY, PLEASE PLAN TO BE AVAILABLE ON MAY 17TH. See Page 3 for details.**

High School Graduates:

Colton Bradberry Ethan Davis Carson Elston Avery Forehand
Callan Gibbons Caroline Gilley Guthri Jenschke Evan McLeroy

T4C GRADUATES: Due to current social restrictions caused by COVID-19, Taylor is working on a plan to honor our Tarleton May graduates with a special tribute online. If you would like to send gifts to any of our graduates, please contact Taylor or Whitney for information on how you can get it to them.

May T4C Graduates:

Averill Dupree Jordan McCain Amber (Holland) Nabors Trevor Sewell



Larry Knowles; Mike DeMott; Denise Powell; Paula Busby, Paula Oliver; Micaela Moore; Kenneth Gaines; Tabitha McClellan; Jody Caudle; James Young; Jordan Harper, son-in-law of Mark & Leah Wilson; Karen Bills; Debbie Christian; Kimberly Richardson O'Dea; Cynthia Price; Steve Ham; Gloria Scott; Denise Kribbs.



Senior Sunday – May 17th

Due to the current COVID-19 crisis, we are adapting our previously planned Senior Sunday Celebration. We still want to recognize the accomplishment of our seniors and give our Graham Street Family the opportunity to show their love and support as we honor our high school graduates.

In order to adhere to local ordinances, regulations and recommendations, we will host a...

Senior Sunday Drive-Thru Celebration **Sunday, May 17th** **3:00-3:30pm** **Graham Street Family Center Parking Lot.**

SENIORS (and families):

On Sunday, May 17, we ask all Graham Street high school seniors, and their immediate family, arrive at the Graham Street Family Center parking lot at 2:30pm.

Upon arrival, Seniors and their family will find a pre-designated parking area specifically for them. You are encouraged to bring lawn/camping chairs to set up and be comfortable, *but please remain in your designated area*. Refreshments for each Senior and their family will be provided at your designated space.

That's all you have to do! Graham Street will take care of the rest.

GRAHAM STREET CHURCH - WE WANT YOUR PARTICIPATION!

You may begin driving through the designated route at 3:00pm on Sunday, May 17. If you choose to participate, you must remain in your vehicle and follow the instructions on how to drive through.

The Drive-Thru will conclude at 3:30pm.

As our graduating seniors are being showcased in the Family Center parking lot, please take the opportunity to shower them with our love and congratulations (wave, honk, shout, make signs/posters, dress up, etc.)!

There will be a box/basket at the end of each Senior's space where cards, candy, treats, posters or other gifts may be placed.

After the final car has driven through, Seniors and their families may collect their things and return home.

******All activities are weather permitting******



Upcoming Showers:

Baby shower for **Janell Bierman** on **Saturday, June 6th** (more details TBA!). She is registered at Target, Walmart & Buy Buy Baby. (A comprehensive list is also available on Babylist). She will also be registered at 4 Kids Only in a few weeks. **Contact Whitney Holt** with questions.

Bridal shower honoring **Kelcee Jones**, bride elect of Andrew Heflin, daughter of **Troy & Pam Jones**, granddaughter of **Don & Patty Jones**. Although we cannot celebrate in person, we can still show our love and shower the Bride-To-Be! Please send cards, gift cards and gifts to: 972 Meadowlark Lane, Stephenville, Texas 76401. Kelcee and Andrew are registered at Target, Bed, Bath & Beyond and Ace The HomePlace.