

**DB's Dabblings: "SUMMER PLANS"** 

What a wonderful Senior Sunday worship service last week! Wes did a great job balancing the honoring our seniors with the opportunity to worship together in praise to God. Congratulations to Adrian Fletcher, Dylan Jones, Megan Prescott, Jade Wilson, and Aby Young! Wes' lesson was a great charge, not only to the seniors, but also to all of us. It was also a blessing to hear our Shepherds pray for specific needs and challenges that the seniors are facing in this transition of their lives.

This Sunday will be very exciting! Jacob and Savanna Bautista will be with us! Not only is Jacob going to be preaching, but he and Savanna are going to do a special activity with the children's ministry about missions, and then teach the Teens' Class about missions. There will be a luncheon in the Family Center after the worship service. The chicken will be provided, but please bring the side dishes and desserts! It will be great to see them again.

Wednesday night, May 26, will kickoff the "LIVING FAITH" fellowship program for Wednesday nights this summer (see the schedule on page 7 in this bulletin). This program is designed to help us get the whole congregation together in cross-generational fellowship and service.

I am hosting a special memorial service Sunday afternoon May 30 at 2:00 in the Family Center. This service is for anyone who would like to attend. The purpose is to help us deal with the grief from the large number of deaths during COVID in 2020-21. During COVID so many families had to deal with broken hearts over loved ones who were hospitalized and died during a time when it was almost impossible to visit and have normal funerals. We will take about thirty minutes to remember these families and their loved ones in a special worship and prayer time.

Robert Oglesby, the director of the Center for Youth and Family Ministry at Abilene Christian University, will be with us June 6 as a special guest in our GPS Class to share information about how Youth Ministry has changed and best practices in the ministry for the future. He will also preach in our worship service on family spiritual formation. (Continued on page 2)

#### Summer Plans continued

We will not have Sunday night services during the summer months (June – August), but we will be having fellowship luncheons after the morning worship services on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. Some of the small groups have taken off for the summer, but some will still be meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. We will be preparing for a relaunch of our small groups in the fall. We will continue to have Bible classes for all ages on Sunday mornings. We are working on the relaunch of our Children's Worship program during Sunday Morning Worship when we start the new semester this fall.

Check the Youth Ministry website (<u>Home | Mysite (grahamstreetyouth.org</u>) ) for details about summer activities.

David Bearden

### OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

**Bible Class for all ages at 9:00 a.m. (Theme:** – Isaiah 6:8 "Faith to Be Sent" Focus on Missionaries – Guest Jacob Bautista )

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. Living Faith Kick Off Cookout

Prison Ministry YTD 678 Bibles sent 1,781 Items Mailed NIGHT OF 100 CASSAROLES TOTALS FOR THURSDAY April 29: 96 given away

Texans for Christ College Ministry Announcement: College students can stay up to date with what our college ministry has going on through our website <a href="https://texansforchrist.org">https://texansforchrist.org</a>

Youth Group Announcement: For details and updates for 6th-12th grade students and their parents, go to <u>https://www.grahamstreetyouth.org</u>



### NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

May 23, 2021: <u>Jacob Bautista preaches.</u> He will also be helping us with our "Missionary Emphasis" in the Children's Bible Classes (followed by a meal for everyone at the Family Center - Chicken Strips will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert.)

May 26, 2021: <u>Living Faith Summer Program Starts</u>! Living Faith—June through August on Wednesday Nights! Kick Off Wednesday, May 26th! 6:00pm Cookout & details about the Living Faith Wednesday Evening Summer Schedule Attend on May 26th to find out more!

May 27, 2021: <u>Night of Casseroles!</u> Help is requested in preparing and serving. Drop off can be at Northcutt Law Office or the Family Center (4:00 to 4:45). Casseroles are handed out from 5:00 p.m. until they are all gone.

May 27, 2021: Teen End Of Year Celebration! From 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., come to Jaycee Park. There will be food, games, music and fun. For all students, 6th—12th Grade.

May 30, 2021: The Graham Street Church of Christ will host a <u>Community Memorial Service</u> to assist families through the grieving process and to honor loved ones who died during the COVID Crisis in 2020-21. The service will be in the Church Family Center, Sunday, May 30 at 2:00. RSVP at <u>office@grahamstreetchurch.com</u> for more details.

June 5, 2021: Men's Prayer Breakfast! Held at the Tri-C (Corner of Ollie & Tarleton), starts at 8:00 a.m.

Current Services at Assisted Living Facilities:

Senior Care Sunday mornings from 9:00 to 9:30

Oakwood Sunday mornings from 9:45 to 10:45 (Memory Care service starts at 10:45) Wednesday mornings 11:00 a.m. Bible Study

(Mulberry Manor will start services again on June 6, 2021.)



# ONLINE RESOURCES

Audio with Slides Recording on website ( <a href="https://grahamstreetchurch.com/sermons">https://grahamstreetchurch.com/sermons</a>) Family Resources: <a href="https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church">https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church</a> Small Group Lessons and Study materials are on the website: <a href="https://grahamstreetchurch.com/small-group-materials">https://grahamstreetchurch.com/small-group-materials</a> Chronological Bible Reading: <a href="https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-reading-plan/chronological.html">https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-reading-plan/chronological.html</a>

### Youth Service Trip

June 20—June 24 Abilene Texas See Youth Group Website for details (<u>Global Samaritan | Mysite (grahamstreetyouth.org</u>))

## Praise In The Park

June 30th 7:00 p.m. Stephenville City Park—Birdsong Amphitheater With special guests: **New Reign** from Oklahoma Christian University

# Everyone Is Invited to join the Youth Group for Rangers Baseball—July 5, 2021 at Globe Life Field—see Wes or click below:

Graham Street Youth Group: Rangers Game (signupgenius.com)

## Kidz Camp: Soakin' Up The Son

Stephenville City Park July 12-15 9:00 to 12:00 (for finishing 1st—3rd graders— check with Megan Becker for more information or click on the link below) <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1RWyVkz80ZyNtwvYPR6Sd2xS\_9BJGpMquZJz2AJDgRR4/</u> <u>viewform?edit\_requested=true</u>

Sonshine Christian Youth Camp at Camp Bandina, July 18–24 sonshine christian youth camp | bandera, tx | SCYC | scycbandina.com





Charles Williams; Rusty Rose; Courtney Clayton; Fred Alvord; Ronnie Moring; Denise Powell; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore, Cynthia Price, Jody Caudle; Debbie Kitchens; Billy Powell; Bobby Tate; Chuck Gruenwald; Diana Lee, daughter of Carroll & Judy Lee; Bill Scott, husband of Gloria Scott; Chuck Arpe; Ricky Caudle; Charlie Hart, diagnosed with leukemia; Rebecca Stephens, her sister, Patti Wal; Brenda Caraway; Candiss Caudle Territo; Larry & Linda Woodward who's son, Danny, passed away this week; A scholarship has been set up in honor of Danny Woodward. Donations can be made at: <u>https://www.give.uta.edu/</u> <u>Woodward-Scholarship</u>. Larry & Linda's mailing address: P O Box 293, Paragould, Arkansas 72451

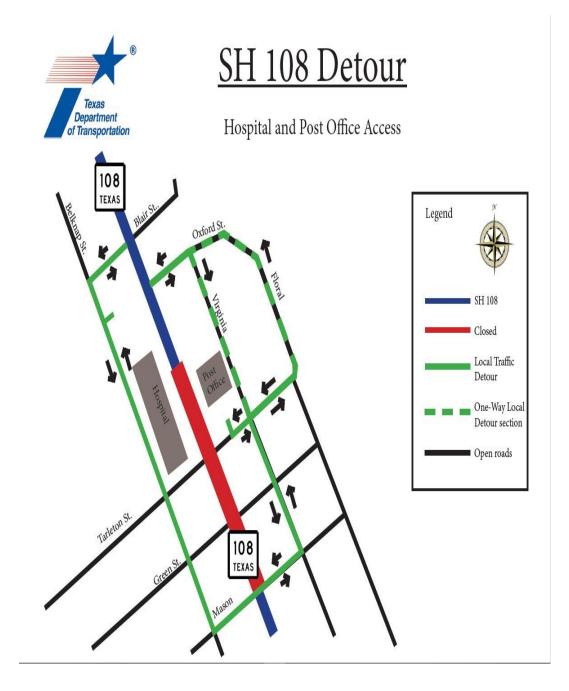
Please continue to pray for the Svien and Caraway families.

- Here are the graduating Stephenville High School Seniors of 2021:
- 1. Adrian Fletcher
- 2. Dylan Jones
- 3. Meagan Prescott
- 4. Jade Wilson
- 5. Aby Young

## Giving Update

Contribution 05/16/2021 \$7,909 (81.5%)

Budget: \$9,700 a week YTD Contribution \$ 188,648 (97.2%) YTD Budget: \$ 194,000 Building Fund \$316,486 (this is the total amount given since start of Phase 2— the funds given to date have been used for the new roof and new A/C units.) We are making plans to start Phase 3 soon! The section of Graham Street from Green Street through Tarleton Street intersections to a point between Post Office entrance and exit (see map below) is closed due to construction. Be alert for any updates on church activities scheduled for the Family Center, and use extreme caution in the Graham Street area between the church building and the Family Center. The Green Street and Tarleton Street parking lots are still open. The Family Center parking is accessible from Virginia Street, but the nearest crosswalk is at Mason Street.





# 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the Month – Faithful Youth

Where and When – Foster's Home Pavilion 6pm

Who - Testimony or Insp. Message

Devo: Wes Wilson

Singing & Prayers: Youth Led

Why – The entire church encourages/inspires the spiritual growth of our youth. Bring a Friend for a night of fun!! (Splash pad, sports, devotional, & food)

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Night of the Month – Faithful Duracells

Where and When – Family Center 6pm

Who – Panel Discussion (2 Men & 2 Women)

Why – Celebrate our more "experienced" members. Hear their personal stories as well as perspectives of how church and society have changed.

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month – Faithful Hands and Feet

Where and When – In the Community 6pm

Who – Everyone

Why – Meet at the Family Center; Assist people around their homes (repairs, lawn care, groceries)

# 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month – Faithful Giving

Where and When – Family Center 6pm

Who – Everyone

Why – Bring/make casseroles for the "Night of 100 Casseroles"; Make cards/letters for casseroles; Pray over the food and for the community; Members take a casserole home to personally bless someone they know.

5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month – Faithful Voices in the Park