



GRAHAM STREET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rooted - Growing - Reaching

June 13, 2021 Sunday

DB's Dabblings: "Loving, Forgiving and Protecting the Fellowship"

Wynama Arp asked me to read a note she had written to the church to apologize for hurting some of her brothers and sisters. She asked for our forgiveness saying that she realized that sinning against any member hurt the whole church family. Of course, we forgive her, not just because she said she was very sorry, but also because we are commanded to, as we read in the Lord's Prayer:

"Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. . . . For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matthew 6:12-15)

And in Ephesians 4:32: *"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."*

We also thank her for reminding us how important it is to protect the fragile unity found in the fellowship of the Body of Christ.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4:1-6)

It is in the understanding that we all sin, and that our willingness to admit our wrong is as important as our willingness to forgive. It is the natural instinct of our physical bodies to protect its members, especially those most vulnerable like the eyes, so it is with the Body of Christ, the Church. We all look out for each other, protecting, encouraging, supporting, each other; and from time to time saying, "I am sorry I hurt you," followed by, "I forgive you."

David Bearden



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS SUMMER

EACH MONTH A CROSS-GENERATIONAL FELLOWSHIP (Time to be announced)

1st Wednesday Night *June 2nd* —Faithful Youth (Foster Home Pavilion)

2nd Wednesday *June 9th* —Faithful Duracells (Family Center)

3rd Wednesday *June 16th* —Faithful Hands and Feet (In Community)

4th Wednesday *June 23rd*—Faithful Giving (Family Center)

5th Wednesday *June 30th* —Faithful Voices (City Park)

➤ OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

Bible Class for all ages at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. - **Potluck Lunch** following services at the Family Center (**Bring a side dish or dessert**)

Wednesday, Faithful Hands and Feet—Community Service Night 6:00 p.m. Meet at Family Center

➤ Prison Ministry YTD 678 Bibles sent 1,781 Items Mailed

NIGHT OF 100 CASSAROLES TOTALS FOR THURSDAY May 27: **125 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 <https://texansforchrist.org>

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



NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Jun 15, 2021: **Tuesday Night Devo (Youth Group)**—6:30 p.m. Dinner, Devo & More at the home of David & Margie Copeland. Let Wes Know if you need a ride.

June 17, 2021: **Girl's Night—Jars of Clay**—at the Copelands, 5:30 p.m. (Girls completed 5th-12th Grade are invited for dinner, devotional and pottery!)

June 20—24 **Youth Service Trip**
Abilene Texas
See Youth Group Website for details ([Global Samaritan | Mysite \(grahamstreetyouth.org\)](#))

June 30, 2001: **Praise In The Park**
City Park—Birdsong Amphitheater
With special guests:
New Reign from Oklahoma Christian University

July 5, 2001: **Everyone Is Invited to join the Youth Group for Rangers Baseball**—
Globe Life Field—see Wes or click below:
[Graham Street Youth Group: Rangers Game \(signupgenius.com\)](#)

July 12—15: **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)
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1RWyVzk80ZyNtwvYPR6Sd2xS_9BJGpMquZJz2AJDgRR4/viewform?edit_requested=true

July 18-24: **Sonshine Christian Youth Camp at Camp Bandina**
[sonshine christian youth camp | bandera, tx | SCYC | scycbandina.com](#)



Charles Williams; Rusty Rose; Courtney Clayton; Bill Hodgson; Ronnie Moring; Denise Powell; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore, Cynthia Price, Jody Caudle; Mildred Buchanan; Billy Powell; Chuck Gruenwald; Bill Scott; Chuck Arpe; Ricky Caudle; Charlie Hart, diagnosed with leukemia; Rebecca Stephens, her sister, Patti Wall; Brenda Caraway; Candiss Caudle Territo; Kimberly O'Dea; Peggy Glover;

➤ Basic Needs Totals for June 2021:

Over 40 12 Families Served 10 Individuals 30 New Families 1

Basic Needs Totals for 2021 Year To Date:

Seniors 581 Families Served 497 Individuals 1,285 New Families 25

GARAGE SALE TOTAL: APPROXIMATELY \$6,100.00

➤ ONLINE RESOURCES

Audio with Slides Recording on website (<https://grahamstreetchurch.com/sermons>)

Family Resources: <https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church>

Small Group Lessons and Study materials are on the website:

<https://grahamstreetchurch.com/small-group-materials>

Chronological Bible Reading:

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

➤ Giving Update

Contribution 06/06/2021 \$8,798 (90.7%)

Budget: \$9,700 a week YTD Contribution \$ 216,067 (96%) YTD Budget: \$ 223,100

Building Fund \$319,376 (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!

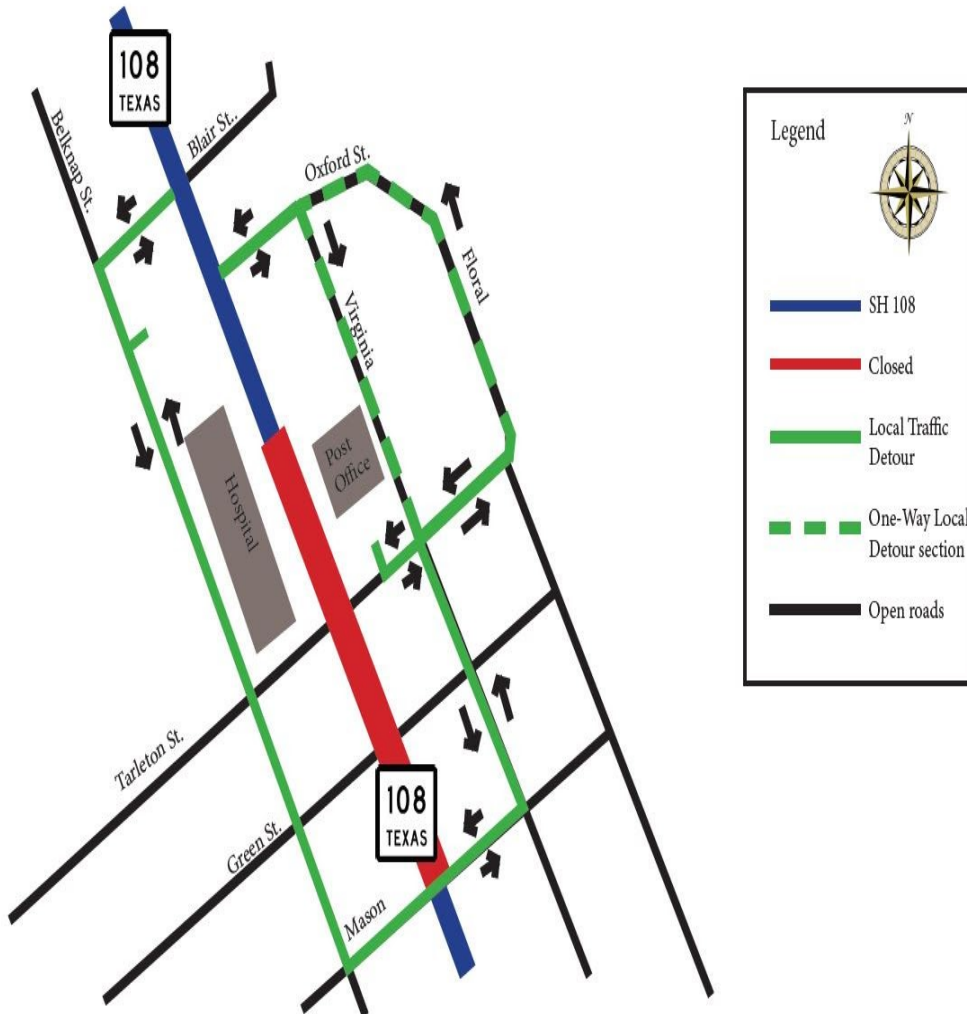


➡ The section of Graham Street from Green Street through Tarleton Street intersections to a point between Post Office entrance and exit (see map below) is closed due to construction. Be alert for any updates on church activities scheduled for the Family Center, and use extreme caution in the Graham Street 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.



SH 108 Detour

Hospital and Post Office Access





1st 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)

2nd 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.

3rd 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)

4th 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.

5th Wednesday of the Month – Faithful Voices in the Park