

September 26, 2021 Sunday DB's Dabblings: "Connections"

To Our Guests and New Members,

Thank you for honoring us by choosing to join us in worshiping God together here at Graham Street. We would like to honor you! We will have a luncheon this Sunday after worship in the Family Center across Graham Street from our main church building, and we would like you to be our honored guest.

In trying to be careful with our COVID protocols to keep people safe, we have struggled to meet, welcome, and fellowship our guests and new members. We have found it difficult to register visitors and contact them to inform them of the great opportunities for help and service in the Graham Street Church Family. We have also had difficulty in being able to consistently offer the various small groups for spiritual formation, service and support we would usually offer. In the process we feel we have missed some of our guests, or at least failed to be as friendly and helpful as we would like to be, so we want to renew our efforts to reach out to our visitors. Here are some things we want to do:

- 1. Meet you. We want to greet you when you visit and follow-up with you to see how we can serve you. If you have started attending Graham St. Church since January 2020, please scan the QR code for those who are new or visiting that you will find in this bulletin, or the paper bulletin on Sunday mornings, or in various locations throughout the building. This will take you to a Connection Form where you can share your contact information to help us update our records to better serve you. (on Page 5)
- 2. Introduce our guests and new members to the Church Family at our monthly 4th Sunday Fellowship Luncheon.
- Invite you to a special Orientation Class. This class will tell you of the many opportunities for help and service at Graham Street Church, and give you more information about how to become a member of this Church Family. We ask that you please call Linda Stewart, at 817-680-1356, to reserve a place in the classes so we can prepare for you and your family.
- 4. Help you participate in our Family Connections. We are encouraging our families to reach out to new families to help them get connected to the Church Family.

So, if you are visiting, or a new member, we look forward to getting to know you better!



NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

September 26, 2021: Congregational Luncheon Honoring Guests and New Members Luncheon — We will use our monthly 4th Sunday Church-Wide Luncheons to meet New Members and for Fellowship with our Guests. Everyone please bring a side dish or dessert.

September 26, 2021: Children's Bible Class—The Story New Rules

September 26, 2021: Children's Church continues

September 26, 2021: GPS Class Continues—"Better Parenting Through Better Marriages"

September 29, 2021: Wednesday Night Classes Continue—Wednesday Night Meals Continue Wednesday Night Meals — 5:30 to 6:15 in the Family Center (Menu: Mini Pizza, Salad, Dessert) Wednesday Night Bible Classes — 6:30 in the main building. "What's in a Name? A Study of the Names, Titles, and Descriptions of God" (Elohim Zakar - God of Promise, from Gen. 6-9 Flood and Rainbow) Classes for all ages. We will all meet in the auditorium for a short devotional focused on God's Name and then break into classes in various places in the building. Under age 3—in the Nursery Age 3 to 2nd Grade—in The Loft 3rd—5th Grade—In Orange Room (upstairs) Revive—in Family Center (Youth Group) Adults—in the auditorium

September 29, 2021: Revive Continues (Youth Group in Family Center—6:30 -meal provided)

September 30, 2021: Night of Casseroles—5:00 p.m. at the Family Center until they are all gone

October 2, 2021: Men's Prayer Breakfast—8:00 a.m. Tri-C (Corner of Ollie & Tarleton)

October 12, 2001: Duracells Meet—5:30 p.m. at the Family Center (Pot Luck)

October 28, 2021: Graham Street Church Fall Festival/ Night of 100 Casseroles/ Stephenville Safe Trick 'R Treat

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Bible Class for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Children's Class: The Story: New Rules GPS Class continues Adult Class: Hughbert Collier returns to teach a study of Book of Revelation in Auditorium on Sunday, 10/3/2021—Landon Kribbs leads the class this Sunday, 9/26/2021 Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

NIGHT OF 100 CASSEROLES TOTALS FOR THURSDAY August 26:

28 volunteers handed out 97 casseroles in 42 minutes tonight (the first 90 in just 22 minutes)!

The next Night of Casseroles is Thursday, September 30, 2021.

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

Wes & Nichole Wilson would love to have us help with their Youth Group meals on Wednesday nights at 6:30. You can either provide the whole meal, which would be for 10-15 people, or you can provide just the main dish and let them know they can provide a side dish. Drinks such as tea and lemonade can also be provided or the Wilsons can make those at the Family Center. This is a great way to support our Youth Group. You can drop off the meal or you can stay and eat. Another option would be to have more than one person provide the meal. Please click the link below to see what dates are available and to sign up. <u>Home | Mysite (grahamstreetyouth.org)</u>

Giving Update

Contribution 09/19/2021 \$7,410 (76.3%) Budget: \$9,700

YTD Contribution \$358,133 (97.16%) YTD Budget: \$368,600

Building Fund \$351,109 - Our goal is \$350,000—We have arrived, but let's keep going!

A basket will be in the foyer beginning this week for a **Gift Card Shower** honoring **Tyler and Amber Nabors**. They were married during all the chaos of Covid and we want to honor this sweet couple with a Shower of Gift Cards





Charles Williams; Mike Hughes; Rusty Rose; Courtney Clayton; Bill Hodgson; Ronnie Moring; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore; Jody Caudle; Peggy Glover; 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; Vincent Lopez; Patty Jones; Tim Childers; Ben Lewis, son of Marion & Ann Lewis; Sherri Carraway

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/small-group-materials GPS Resources: https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-reading-plan/chronological.html GPS Graham Street Church of Christ

To enhance our on-line Church Directory, we will be updating the information. We need your new phone numbers, address. We especially need any current photos of your family that you would like to be used. Please send to: office@grahamstreetchurch.com

Graham Street is currently raising money to provide Shona language Bibles for distribution throughout Zimbabwe. World Bible School is partnering with us in this effort and is challenging their supporters to match the funds that we raise. To date Graham Street has given \$13,000 with \$10,000 of the total coming from Mary Batchelor's gift to the congregation. Each Bible cost \$8.50. If we raise \$20,000, with matching funds it will be possible to purchase 4,700 Bibles!

Please consider contributing to this effort. Checks should be made out to: Graham Street Church of Christ, Shona Bibles.

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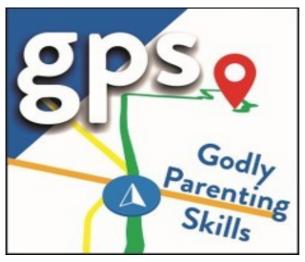




"Family Connection" 2nd Sunday Emphasis Recommitting to Small Groups Your Family Connection To Our Church Family Starting September Some Family Discussion Questions:

- Who outside our family do we know in the church? How could we make that a stronger connection?
- 2. Who is someone outside our family that we don't know that we could make a connection with?
- 3. Who is outside our family who needs a stronger connection to our church family that we could help become better connected?

Take Steps as a Family to Make Connections to Our Church Family.



Sun., Sept. 26th 9:00am GPS room.

9:00am Class; GPS Class Starts "Better Parenting Through Better Marriages" 10:00am Worship



Elohim Zakar -God of Promise Wednesday Night Bible Classes 6:30 Auditorium "What's In a Name (of God)?"



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! If you started attending here sometime since January 2020, please fill out the form so we can update our information.

QR Code to access Connection Form.