



GRAHAM STREET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rooted - Growing - Reaching

October 17, 2021 Sunday

DB's Dabblings: "Orientation Class"

I have mentioned a few times in recent weeks the opportunity to take an Orientation Class. This is primarily designed for our guests and new members, but it is open for anyone who would like to attend to learn more about the Graham Street Church of Christ. You may have been a member here for a long time, but would like to learn more, or maybe you would like to attend to share the information with others. The class is designed to meet at the convenience of the student, and it can be for one person, a family or a small group. The class may only be one session, but it can be expanded. In the original class I will give the student an overview, and through it the student may decide they need more information about a particular topic that was merely summarized in the first class. Here are the overview topics of the first class:

1. Our Mission – What is meant by “Rooted, Growing and Reaching,” and its biblical backdrop.
2. Our Teaching – Our Bible teaching is focused on restoring a proper relationship with God through grace and faith in Christ and living in relationship with God’s Family.
3. Our Service – A quick look at the many ministries of this church.
4. Our Leadership and Support System – Explaining our leadership through Shepherds, Deacons, Ministers, and Ministry Leaders and the Family Support of the church.
5. Our Worship – What we do and why in our worship assemblies.
6. Our Expectations – What members can expect from the church and what the church leadership expects from the members.

If you would like to learn more about any of these topics by attending an Orientation Class, send an email to Office@grahamstreetchurch.com and we will work on scheduling a time for you to attend. After you attend the first class, you may want more detailed information on one or more of these topics and we will arrange more sessions to study in more detail. Again, although this class was primarily designed for guest or new members, anyone is welcome to attend. We can also make arrangements for you to go through this information in a virtual class, if needed.

David Bearden



NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 17, 2021: Children's Bible Class—The Story: A Few Good Men....and Women**
- **October 17, 2021: Children's Church** continues
- **October 17, 2021: GPS Class Continues—"Better Parenting Through Better Marriages"**
- **October 20, 2021: Wednesday Night Classes Continue—Wednesday Night Meals Continue**
 Wednesday Night Meals —5:30 to 6:15 in the Family Center
(Menu: Beef Tamale Pie, 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"
 (El Elyon - God Most High Possessor of All)
 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
- **October 20, 2021: Revive Continues** (Youth Group in Family Center—6:30 -meal provided)
- **October 24, 2021—Graham Street Fellowship lunch** following services (Pot Luck—bring side dish or dessert)
- **October 27, 2021—NO EVENING MEAL—NO Wednesday Night classes**—prep for special Night of Casseroles & Fall Festival
- **October 28, 2021: Graham Street Church Fall Festival/ Night of 100 Casseroles/ Stephenville Safe Trick 'R Treat**—we are going to need a LOT MORE CASSEROLES! If you would like to donate money for casseroles, put "Casseroles" in the memo line of your donation check. *Everyone bring bags of candy & leave in the lobby to give out to the kids at the Trick or Treat & Fall Festival events*



- **November 3, 2021: Youth Group Meets at City Park** for meal & short devotional—then attending "Burn The Wood"



➤ OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

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

The Story: A Few Good Men....And Women

GPS Class continues—Better Parenting Through Better Marriages

Adult Class: Hughbert Collier continues to teach a study of Book of Revelation in Auditorium

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

➤ NIGHT OF 100 CASSEROLES TOTALS FOR THURSDAY September 30:

18 volunteers hand out 102 casseroles in 47 minutes . We also received \$138 in donations to go toward next month's event

The next Night of Casseroles is Thursday, October 28, 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.

[Home | Mysite \(grahamstreetyouth.org\)](https://www.grahamstreetyouth.org)

➤ Giving Update

Contribution 10/10/2021 \$8,409 (86.7%) Budget: \$9,700

YTD Contribution \$385,610 (96.96%) YTD Budget: \$ 397,700

Building Fund \$355,399 - Our goal is \$350,000—We have arrived, but let's keep going!

➤ **Bring your candy for the Fall Festival/Safe Trick or Treat and put in the baskets in the lobby.**



Charles Williams; Rusty Rose; Courtney Clayton; Bill Hodgson; Ronnie Moring; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore; Jody Caudle; Peggy Glover; Mildred Buchanan; Billy Powell; Chuck & Kathy Gruenwald; Bill Scott; Chuck Arpe; Ricky Caudle; Charlie Hart; Brenda Caraway; Vincent Lopez; Patty Jones; Tim Childers; Sherri Carraway; Hartley Hearne, great-niece of Ronnie & Darlene Hearne, cancer reoccurrence; Judy Vaughn; The family & the Foster's Home family of Debbie Kitchens, who passed away last week. The family of Mike Hughes, who passed away on Wednesday; Tommy Wilson, father of Wes Wilson; Cori & Tommy, daughter & son-in-law of Mike & Julie Dacus; Former members Marty & Jodi Larner, who's daughter, Lariat, died in an auto accident this week

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>

GPS Resources:

[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 \$16,112.50 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. **(Amount requested \$20,000—amount given to date: \$17,692.50)**



“Family Connection”

2nd Sunday Emphasis

Recommitting to Small Groups

Your Family Connection

To Our Church Family

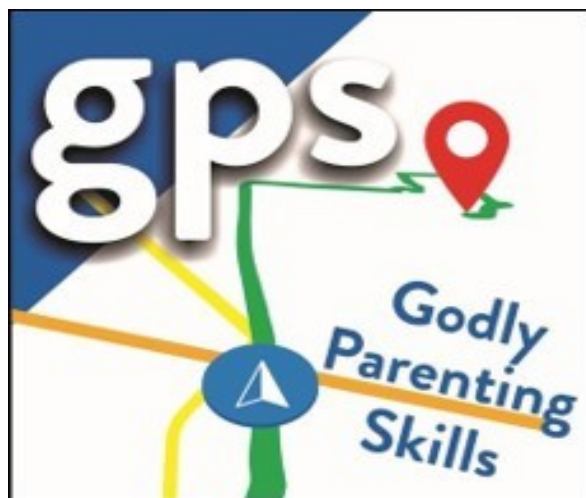
Starting September

Some Family Discussion Questions:

1. 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.

This Sunday work with your family to send another family an encouraging note or card.



Sun., October 17, 9:00am GPS room.

GPS Class “Better Parenting Through Better Marriages”

Adult Class in Auditorium—Hughbert Collier leads a class on the book of Revelation

10:00 a.m. Worship

HELLO
my name is

El Elyon -
God Most High Possessor of All
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.

➤ The second is *Triumph & Trial: Revelation's Churches* produced by Appian Media. As a crowd-sourced production, it is free to watch at <https://appianmedia.org/trial-triumph-revelations-churches/>. Both have high production values with wonderful footage shot on location at the seven cities. Entertaining and informative, they are also spiritually stimulating.