

December 19, 2021 Sunday

DB's Dabblings: "Getting Ready For A New Year" (continued from last week)

Let's continue to look for specific ways we can continue to **"go back better" in 2022**. Here is the list of principles we committed to as we work on our mission to be **Rooted**, **Growing and Reaching in the New Year**.

- 1. Commit to shared goals and work on them together in prayer.
- 2. Through Prayer, believe God will give success as we work together to His Glory.
- 3. Work together dividing up the work involving the whole church.
- 4. Every member gives full-hearted commitment to the work.
- 5. Protect, support, and encourage each other as we work together.
- 6. With every success give glory to God and celebrate in worship.
- 7. Recommit ourselves to the Word of God and Prayer.

I wrote about Principle #1 last week, **Principle #2 : Through Prayer, believe God will give success as we work together to His Glory.** First, we must make a deeper commitment to prayer. We will emphasize opportunities for praying together as a church. Let me give you a practical example we can start with this week and continue into the New Year. Let's be in prayer for those impacted by the devasting tornados last week (and send money to the relief effort if you can!). But let's also make a commitment to pray at least once a day every day for the renewed efforts of the Graham Street Church of Christ. And let's believe that God will give us success based on the promise of Eph. 3:20-21, "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus, throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

**Principle #3 Work together dividing up the work involving the whole church.** We have renewed our efforts as a leadership to identify the needs of this church and to meet them. Recently the Deacons have been meeting to recommitment themselves to serving the members of the church and equipping our ministries with the volunteers needed to achieve their ministry goals. We need to commit ourselves to involving every member to use their abilities in the ministries of the church – that includes all ages, children, teens, adults, senior saints – everyone. We must make sure that none of our members have "lost connection with the Head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow (Col. 2:19). And we need to make sure that they find a place to serve in this church family so that they and the whole family will grow in service and love. "From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work" (Eph. 4:16).



### **NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

December 19, 2021: Children's Bible Class - The Story—The Beginning of The End
December 19, 2021: Children's Church Continues
December 19, 2021: GPS Class Continues
December 19, 2021: Hughbert Collier class in the auditorium on Revelation
December 22, 2021: No Wednesday Night Meal—No Classes
December 26, 2021: No Bible Class—Worship Starts at 10:00
December 29, 2021: No Wednesday Night Meal—No Classes
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Contact Darleen Hearne at 254-977-3711 for the opportunity to serve in the Children's Ministry. This is a ministry where there is ALWAYS an opportunity to serve!

Thank you to Megan Becker for offering to teach Cradle Roll on Sunday mornings beginning in January. However, we NEED MORE to sign up. A helper is definitely needed! Also, if more will volunteer to help out, we can rotate so the same ones do not have to do it all the time.

There is also a need for another volunteer for Sunday mornings PK and K Class. This can either be a teacher or a helper. Teachers switch out every other Sunday in this class and it works out very well.





Rejoice & please welcome our new member, Miyah Williams. She resides at the Foster's Home and was baptized on Tuesday.



Welcome also to Kylea Duvall. Kylea is a college student and was baptized recently. Please welcome her to our church family. You can write her at: 302 Cactus Drive, Haslet, TX 76052

## **Rooted - Growing - Reaching**



# SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

Bible Class for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Children's Class: The Story: The Beginning Of The End GPS Class continues—Better Parenting Through Better Marriages Adult Class: Hughbert Collier leads a class on the book of Revelation in Auditorium Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

#### Community Christmas Dinner, Wednesday, December 15, 2021:



1025 meals served and delivered and \$180 given in donations at The Community Christmas Dinner tonight. Thank you to everyone who served in any way...lots of people were reached in our community and they were very appreciative of your time & effort.

The next Night of Casseroles is Thursday, January 27, 2022.

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

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

#### **Giving Update**

Contribution 12/12/2021\$ 8,413 (86.73%)Budget:\$ 9,700YTD Contribution\$ 467,708 (96.43%)YTD Budget:\$ 485,000

Building Fund \$374,649 - Our goal is \$350,000—We are currently working on the strategies for the renovation of the Auditorium and the Education Wing.





Charles Williams; Rusty Rose; Bill Hodgson; Ronnie Moring, still grateful for our prayers; Carol Moring (heart ablation in Ft Worth, 12/10); Paula Busby; Micaela Moore; Jody Caudle; Peggy Glover; Mildred Buchanan; Chuck & Kathy Gruenwald; Bill Scott; Chuck Arpe; Ricky Caudle; Charlie Hart; Brenda Caraway; Vincent Lopez; Patty Jones; Tim Childers; Hartley Hearne, great-niece of Ronnie & Darlene Hearne, cancer reoccurrence; Tommy Wilson, father of Wes Wilson; Paul Schulze; Billy Powell; Fred Alvord; Bobby Tate; Johanna Graham; Ben Lewis, recovering from Covid; Tony Territo; Jeannette Parker; Rebecca Stephens; Margie Phillips

# **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> GPS | Graham Street Church of Christ

To enhance our on-line Church Directory, we are 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: <u>office@grahamstreetchurch.com</u>

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.



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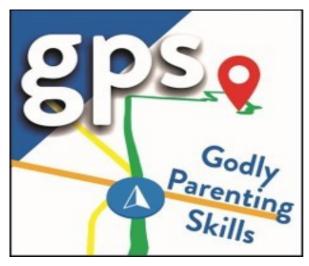


### "Family Connection"

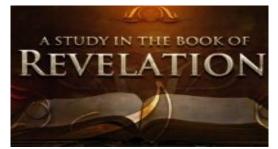
2nd Sunday Emphasis Recommitting to Small Groups Your Family Connection To Our Church Family Starting September Some Family Discussion Questions:

- 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., Dec. 19, 9:00am GPS room. GPS Class Meets "Better Parenting Through Better Marriages"



Adult Class in Auditorium Hughbert Collier leads a class on the book of Revelation Worship 10:00 a.m.



El Shaddai ( next class 01/05/22) The God of Covenant Wednesday Night Bible Classes 6:30 Auditorium "What's In a Name (of God)?"







If your children, ages 3rd through 5th grade, are interested in participating in LTC, 2022, please contact Megan Becker.



Members of our congregation are eligible to participate in the Church Audit program at Harding School of Theology. You may audit select courses for only \$50. Spring 2022 courses include:

Global Evangelism: Alan Howell (Tuesdays, 8:15-10:55 am, Jan. 11 - Apr. 26) – Zoom onlyG-Galatians and Romans: Dr. Richard E. Oster, Jr. (Tuesdays, 6:00-8:45 pm, Jan. 11 - Apr. 26) Survey of the Old Testament: Dr. Lance Hawley (one week intensive, Feb. 28 - Mar. 4, 8:00-4:15 daily)

You may attend class live on campus or on Zoom, or you may watch the recordings later if you prefer. For more information or to register, visit hst.edu/church or call the HST Admissions Office at 901-432-7750.



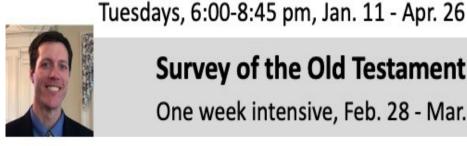
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