



# GRAHAM STREET

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

**April 3, Sunday**

**DB's Dabblings: "Practically Intergenerational"**

In my sermon series from Deuteronomy and in the GPS Class I have been dealing with the theories and theology of "intergenerational ministry" throughout the church body and as applied primarily to Youth Ministry. It's time to get more practical. I have asked Sterling Doty to help me with that in this week's sermon, "Intergenerational Teamwork." I thought it might help to draw an analogy of what we mean by intergenerational ministry by comparing it to the development of a football team. As the coach of the State Champion Stephenville Yellow Jackets and the Texas 4A Coach of the Year, I thought he is more qualified than most to make this comparison, wouldn't you say? I am very excited and look forward to his presentation Sunday, April 3.

A key factor in what we are talking about is found in Eph. 4:16, *"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."* Now, I don't read that passage as saying all the adult males, or all the members over 17, or all the adult members assigned to a leadership position. The whole body works together to help the church grow in love and to look like Christ. And every member (including the teens and children!) has a role to play in that effort. In football that's teamwork! And if you back up in the context in verses 11-13, you find it is the role of the leaders of the church to equip the members to cause the church to function this way.

***Ephesians 4:11-13*** *"So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."*

You might ask, "Well, what does that look like?". Let me illustrate it with a Facebook Post by Kristin Bundy, the Youth Minister's wife at the Altamesa Church of Christ in Ft Worth (a church that is applying the principles of intergenerational youth ministry):

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### “Practically Intergenerational” continued

*I love my church. Allow me to tell you why.*

*This morning Jaxon helped lead worship.*

*This morning Brooklyn helped to teach our 3-5 year olds.*

*This morning during worship, Tatum helped in T3, our children's worship.*

*The leaders of our church have the wisdom to include our youth in all aspects of worship and our church ministries.*

*Often during worship, our youth group section looks smaller than it really is because our teens are scattered throughout the building serving in different ways. You can see teens in the AV booth, serving Neighborhood Needs, teaching and helping in various ways in our Children's Ministry, and leading worship in some capacity.*


*Our leaders and our congregation do not view our teens as passive members of the church idly waiting their turn to serve when they become adults, but instead they see them as active members of the body who have gifts to use now.*

*It's beautiful.*

Here are some of the responses she got:

*And I love how my kids feel their importance as they serve and are proactive about getting to church on time so that they do not leave a gap. They love serving on Sundays! I love, love this!!!!!!*

*What we love most about it!! Thanks to you and Nate, our kids are not consumers but active members of the Body!!*

*Yes!  this is beautiful. This morning, Gisela was working nursery and Gavin was working media. Every member of the body of Christ is important.*

David Bearden

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**QR Code to access Connection Form**





### NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

- **April 3: Children's Bible Class**—The Story continues: New Beginnings
  - **April 3: Children's Church**—continues
  - **April 3: GPS Class continues:** Youth & Family Ministry Discussion
  - **April 3: Adult Class in Auditorium**—(Hughbert Collier teaches on Revelation – auditorium)
  - **April 3: Yellow Jacket's Head Football Coach Sterling Doty will assist David with the sermon on "Intergenerational Teamwork"**
  - **April 3: Bible 101**— 7:00 p.m. at the Stephenville Funeral Home Annex (This Week: Book of Job)
  - **April 3: Memory Verse**—(Matthew 28:6 "He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.")
  - **April 6: Wednesday Night Classes Continue—Wednesday Night Meals Continue**  
**Wednesday Night Meals** —5:30 to 6:15 in the Family Center  
**Menu: German Tacos (sausage & tortilla), Potato Salad & Dessert—Wednesday Night Meals are funded by donations collected at the meals—thanks!**  
**Wednesday Night Bible Classes** —6:30 in the main building.  
Age 3 to 2nd Grade—in The Loft—starts at 6:30—Lessons are on: Characteristics of God  
3rd—6th Grade—LTC (upstairs)  
Revive—in Family Center (Youth Group)  
LTC for 7th—12th Grade (Youth Room)  
Adults—meet in the auditorium at 6:30 for introduction of lesson theme, then divide in groups "What's in a Name of God?" (**Yahweh Roi —God of Shepherding**)
  - **April 10, 2022—LTC Prsentation 9:00 a.m. in Auditorium—all classes meet in auditorium**
  - **April 10, 2022—Easter Egg Hunt at the Museum Grounds** following worship service
- VBS is coming—July 24th through 27th—watch for more information soon!



**SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER**

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

**Children's Class: —The Story: New Beginnings**

**GPS Class continues —Youth & Family Ministry Discussion**

**Adult Class: Hughbert Collier teaches from Revelation in auditorium**

**Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.**

**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>

**April 1st –3rd: College Lady's Retreat**

**April 8th—10th: College Men's Retreat**

**May 1st—College Emphasis Day & Tarleton Graduates Honored**

**Men's Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, 4/2, 8:00 a.m. at the Tri-C (corner of Ollie & Tarleton)**



**Duracells next meeting will meet Tuesday, April 12th—Mayor Doug Svien will share some updates on the state of the City**



**Basic Needs Garage Sale coming in**

**May—**

**Set up May 8th through 11th**

**Garage Sale held May 12th—14th—more details coming soon**

**HE IS RISEN!**

**Community Sunrise Service**

Hosted by the Stephenville Ministerial Alliance

Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:45am

Birdsong Amphitheater

Free breakfast burritos and coffee



Charles Williams; Bill Hodgson; Ronnie Moring, still grateful for our prayers; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore; Jody Caudle; Peggy Glover; Mildred Buchanan; Bill Scott; Ricky Caudle; Brenda Caraway; Vincent Lopez; Paul Schulze; Billy Powell; Fred Alvord & his wife, Cathey; Bobbie Tate; Johanna Graham; Margie Phillips; Joanna Lay; Jessica Kribbs; Marilyn Schulze; Chuck Gruenwald; Mike Dacus; Bob Doty; Rebecca Stephens, who 's sister, Patty Wall, passed away last week; Don Jones; Merle Jo Parks; Curissa Watkins

## 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:

<https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/gps>

## Giving Update

**Contribution 03/27/2022                    \$ 9,854 (92.09%)                    Budget:    \$ 10,700**

**YTD Contribution for 2022                    \$ 118,784 (85.39%)                    YTD Budget:    \$ 139,100**

**Building Fund    \$436,149 - Our goal is \$350,000—WORK HAS STARTED!**

**Children's Giving will go toward the Glen Moody Bible Fund**

**Shona Bibles Donations to Date: \$7,795.56**

**Special Contribution for Ukraine Amount Donated to Date: \$10,447**

**Special Contribution for help with local fire damage: \$1,150**

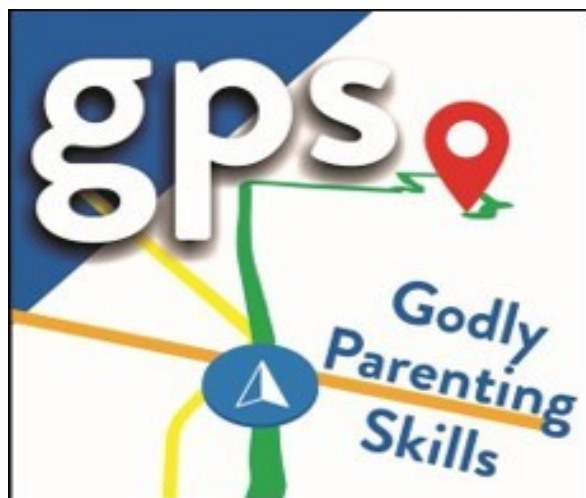


**Heart | Soul | Mind | Strength**  
**Graham Street Youth Group**

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

**April 3- Class @ 9:00am- Teens meet in Youth Ministry Classroom**

**April 6—6:30pm REVIVE (FC); LTC (Youth Room)**



Sun., April 3, 9:00am GPS room.

**GPS Class Meets**

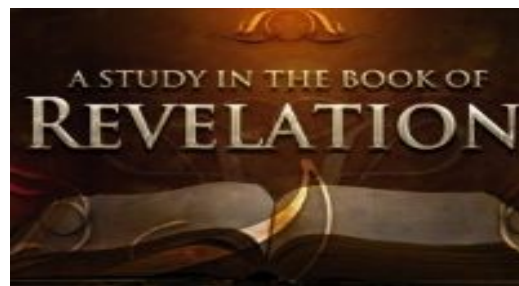
**“Youth & Family Ministry Discussion”**



For ages  
3, 4 & 5

Upstairs in the Loft  
*\*Volunteers See Casey Reed\**

**Memory Verse is back—Come find the Memory Verse person in the lobby between Bible Class & worship service to recite the verse. Matthew 28:6 “He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. “**



**Adult Class in Auditorium**

**Hughbert Collier leads a class on the book of Revelation**

**Worship: 10:00 a.m.**

**HELLO**  
my name is

Yahweh Roi  
God of Shepherding  
Wednesday Night Bible Classes  
6:30 Auditorium  
“What’s In a Name (of God)?”





**Hamburger Cookout—Sunday, May 15th honoring graduating High School Seniors (Family Center following worship service). More information to follow soon.**



If you have a graduating high school senior, we need 5-6 pictures turned in to the office no later than **Sunday, April 10th** for the slideshow on Promotion Sunday. (Or you can email them to [office@grahamstreetchurch.com](mailto:office@grahamstreetchurch.com).)

Parents, please use the following links to sign up if your child will be a graduating Senior, 6th Grader or Kindergartener in May 2022 (to make sure they get a Bible.)

Graduating Seniors Bible Link <https://forms.gle/8ZiewrjJYe2JxS9q7>

Graduating 6th Graders Bible Link <https://forms.gle/wa3Xxveuo4N1ifbM9>

Graduating Kindergarteners link <https://forms.gle/sSSBSfJTp5UimtSi9>

**LTC Presentation**

**April 10th 9:00 a.m.**

**Everyone please meet in the Auditorium**



**Easter Egg Hunt at the Museum Grounds on Sunday, April 10th, following worship service**



A wedding shower honoring Allison Divin, bride-elect of Calahan Storey, is planned for Sunday afternoon, April 24, 2022 in the Family Center from 2:00pm - 3:30pm. The happy couple are registered at Ace Home Place, Amazon, Target and Dillard's.