



# GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

November 10, 2024



### Mission Committee Meeting

Sunday, 11/10/2024

Immediately following worship service

In the Family Center

### Men's & Ladies' Wednesday Night Class

The Wednesday Night Adult Men's and Women's Classes will discuss the Sunday Morning Sermon preached that week in the series "Obstacles to Spiritual Growth"

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
11/13/2024	Misunderstanding
11/20/2024	Mistakes
11/27/2024	No Classes
12/04/2024	Ingratitude
12/11/2024	Impossibilities



Thursday, November 14th

Starting at 5:00 in the Family Center

Come early & help prepare—stay & help  
serve



# What You **ARE** ..... You Thankful for?

Duracells Meet Tuesday, 11/12

5:30 at the Family Center

Potluck Chili— Plus, Bring "fixings" for chili  
and/or dessert

Come prepared to have fun!

## Community Thanksgiving Service

The Sunday before Thanksgiving

Hosted by The Ministerial Alliance

For Information, call 254-485-1377

High School Auditorium @ 6:00pm



## On Reading the Bible Do You Read The Bible? What Role Does it Have In Your Life?

My church heritage conditioned me to know the Bible. I am thankful. There is a way, however, of reading, knowing, and quoting the Bible that misses the God of the Bible.

For several months I have been reading big chunks of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Deuteronomy, Matthew, Isaiah, Habakuk, Zephaniah). Right now, I am reading several chapters of Jeremiah every morning. Whew! It is sobering to read chapter after chapter and ride Judah's spiritual roller coaster. More significant is God's passion for his people and all nations. One way or the other God will get the glory. Yet over and over God reaches a point where he has had it with Judah. His anger is fierce. Rebellion has consequences. The gravity of their sin as idolatry, injustice, and evil ways has hardened their heart even though they are acting religious. This hypocritical posture prompts God to say to Jeremiah three times, "Do not pray for these people" (7.16; 11.14; 14.11). Jeremiah complains to God, "...you are near in their mouths yet far from their hearts" (12.2). And just when one concludes it is hopeless for Judah, God turns. Fair to say he not only relents but repents. God's relationship with Judah is anything but static. What is striking is that Judah thinks that offering vows and sacrifices can avert doom (11.15). The promises and hope God gives is always conditional. That is, if Judah will repent, acknowledge their sin, reject the idols, and return to the Lord, then there is blessing.

The more I read and reflect the more the Bible reads me. I am consciously trying to listen to God, rather than merely checking off the daily reading box. After all, the Bible is about God and there is much to ponder about his nature, character and will. It is not an easy discipline because my mind wanders and wonders. There is mystery to be sure because without mystery there is not faith. But reading big chunks provides enough clarity to understand God's passion and desire for people to trust him and obey.

Will my reading of the Bible move me deeper in trust and obedience to God?

Help me, Lord! **GDK**

## Basic Needs News



**We had lots of new baseball uniforms that were donated to us. These were some of the happy kids that received them.**



### Month of October 2024

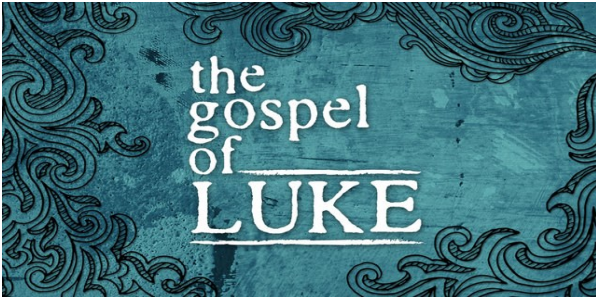
Individuals	672
Families	184
New	31

### Comparing the Basic Needs October 2024 Numbers to October 2023:

**253 More Individuals      65 More Families  
18 More New Families**



**Basic Needs has an URGENT need for these items: CEREAL, chicken, tuna, shampoo, deodorant & all other Toiletries are also needed, etc.  
Your help is appreciated!**



**Adult Bible Study Opportunities**

At 9:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, Hughbert Collier will be continuing an in-depth series on the New Testament book of Luke. You don't want to miss it. These are important lessons about the life and teaching of Jesus.



**Young Adult Class**

Sunday mornings at 9:00 in Room 109. Join Andy Brewer and Evan McLeroy as they lead the discussion on "Discipleship 101".



**GPS Class**

David Bearden will be leading the Godly Parenting Skills class in the GPS room. This will be a class discussing and applying "Parenting Proverbs". Class starts at 9:15 and ends at 9:45. This week, David Bearden will be discussing "Teaching to Respect Authority" Proverbs 16:12; 21:1; 29:2; 31:8-9

**Call the Church Office for More Information about our Spiritual Formation Small Group Ministry**



**Ladies' & Men's Wednesday Night Bible Class**

The Fall Semester has begun with class discussions on the Sunday Sermon Series: "Overcoming Obstacles to Spiritual Growth." This week on Wednesday, the classes will discuss "Misunderstanding as an Obstacle to Spiritual Growth"



**Sunday's Sermon**

**"Overcoming Obstacles to Spiritual Growth"**

**This Sunday, "Misunderstanding" (we will discuss it on Wednesday night)**



**Children's Ministry News**

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**The Children's Ministry Departments and Committee Coordinators are:**

- **Babies and Toddlers: Janell Bierman**
- **3s-K: Teryn Thomasson**
- **1st - 4th: Amber Coplan**
- **Bridge/5th & 6th: Erik Meyers**
- **Curriculum: Darleen Hearne**
- **Special Events: Megan Becker**
- **Children's Church: BJ Hough & Courtney McGuire**
- **LTC: Megan Becker**
- **Check-In: Kristin Collier**
- **VBS: Committee Coordination**

**Megan Becker** has been asked and agreed to serve as the **Committee Chairperson**.

**The next meeting will be:**

**December 8th Immediately following worship service**



**O Come Let Us Adore Him  
2024 Advent Reflections**

Advent is a time to make room in the inn of our hearts to receive Christ anew. This collection of daily scripture readings and reflections includes contributions of pastors and ministry workers from over 10 different congregations of various denominations across Erath County.

This great ecumenical collection represents the desire for unity in Christ among all his followers as we unit to celebrate the birth of our shared King.

We pray that these reflections will be an inspiration and encouragement for all the faithful who wish to come and adore our Lord at the manger with us this season.

40 Days of Daily Devotional Readings begins Thanksgiving Day. We are asking for a donation of \$5.00 to cover the cost of printing and shipping. Available Soon!



## Our Fall Sunday Morning GPS Class

### GPS (Godly Parenting Skills) – David and Vicki Bearden - Room

GPS Bible Class/Support Group is studying, discussing and applying “Parenting Proverbs.” We are focusing on proverbs from the Bible that apply to parenting. Parents will be asked to volunteer to study a specific topic of parenting proverbs and give a report to the class on practical applications. Vicki and David will then discuss with the class how to live out the parenting proverbs and how to, as a group, support our church families in raising children in that area. There are 8 major topic areas we will focus on in the class with several subtopics in each major area:

1. Reverence for God
2. Wisdom and Instruction
3. Self-Control
4. Control of Mouth
5. Relationships
6. Wrong Doings
7. Godly Characteristics
8. Prosperity



### 30 Minute Discussion Class

Sundays 9:15 to 9:45

Based on Proverbs dealing with Parenting

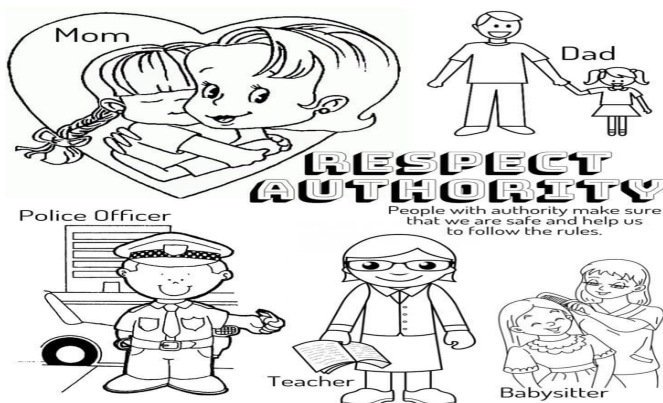
This Sunday, November 10

David Bearden will be

Continuing the discussion on

“Teaching Children To Respect Authority”

Be there by 9:15 to hear the message and contribute to the conversation.





### Our Fall Sunday Morning & Wednesday Night Adult Bible Classes

#### **The Gospel of Luke – Hughbert Collier – Auditorium**

The children's Bible classes are focusing on the Gospel of Luke on Wednesday nights in preparation for the LTC in the spring. So, the adults are joining in the study of Luke in our Sunday morning adult class in the auditorium. The study of Luke reveals some unique and interesting characteristics. It is a universal Gospel message to peoples beyond the Jews. It gives greater meaning of the Gospel as good news by its emphasis on rejoicing. It is also the Gospel for the 'down and out.' There is more emphasis on the women of Jesus' ministry in this Gospel, and you will find more mention of angels. Luke, the physician writer, seems to give more details on the miracles of healing in his high-level literary style. And you will also find Luke is the Gospel of prayer, with more mention of the topic than the other gospels.

#### **Young Adults Class – Discipleship 101 – Andy Brewer & Evan McLeroy in Room 109.**

This class is available for college age and young adults without children. One does not need to study the New Testament very long to realize we are to be the disciples of Jesus who are making disciples of Jesus. We call this the great commission and is found in Mat. 28:18-20. But what does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus? That's the focus of this class.

**The Fall Wednesday Night Adult Bible Classes will continue the Men's and Women's Classes and start a study of "Grow" in September with various teachers, which is also the topic the children are studying in their Sunday morning classes this fall.**

The Wednesday night Men's and Women's Bible Classes will discuss the Sunday morning sermon obstacle topic with the following questions:

What is the impact of this obstacle on our spiritual growth?

How do we avoid or reduce this obstacle to our spiritual growth?

How can we deal with this obstacle if we are currently experiencing it?

How can we help each other in our Christian family deal with the impact of this spiritual growth obstacle?

How can we turn this obstacle into an opportunity for spiritual growth?

**In November the Wednesday Night Adult Men's and Women's Classes will discuss the Sunday Morning Sermon preached that week. The teachers will also have access to the sermon recordings and slides from the Sunday before. Also this material made use of Chuck Swindoll's book, THREE STEPS FORWARD TWO STEPS BACK (Persevering through Pressure) and class leaders may wish to consult the chapter corresponding to their lesson.**



## SUNDAY November 10

- November 10: **Adult Class**—In the auditorium (Hughbert Collier is teaching a series on The Gospel According to Luke)
- November 10: **Young Adult Class**—Andy Brewer & Evan McLeroy lead a discussion on “Discipleship” in Room 109
- November 10: **Adult Class**—David Bearden leads a class on Godly Parenting Skills on a Parenting Proverbs Topic in the GPS Room
- November 10: **Children’s Classes—9:00 a.m.** All classes will be held in their usual classrooms
- November 10: **Sunday Morning Worship** at 10:00 AM David Bearden will preach a lesson on “Obstacles to Spiritual Growth—Misunderstanding”
- November 10: **Mission Committee Meeting** immediately following worship service

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 12: **Duracells Meet at 5:30 in the Family Center** Bring potluck chili, chili “fixings” and/or desserts
- November 13: **Wednesday Night Meal** at 5:30 in the Family Center—recommended price is \$4.00 per person  
**Menu: Mexican Style Meat & Potatoes, Hominy, Sopapilla Cheesecake**
- November 14: **Soup Kitchen from 5:00 too 7:00 in the Family Center**— Come early and help prepare— stay and help serve



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Fred Alvord (Cathey’s husband); Jimmy Robison; Carl Smith; Billy & Linda Powell; Courtney Clayton; Jody Caudle; Mischelle Oliver; Ricky Caudle; Mary Moore; Mildred Buchanan; Karen Bills; Micaela Moore surgery still in ICU; Ken & Shirley Evans; Vicki Adams (knee surgery scheduled); Becky Norris (hip surgery); Kenneth Wylie, room 309 in Mulberry Manor; Chantelle Mora; the family of former member, Etta Green

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**Giving Update**

<b>Contribution 11/03/2024</b>	<b>\$ 15,365</b>	<b>Budget for 2024</b>	<b>\$ 12,900</b>
<b>YTD Contribution</b>	<b>\$ 538,071</b>	<b>YTD Budget for 2024</b>	<b>\$ 567,600</b>
<b>Percentage of YTD Contribution Budget 94.79%</b>			

**Texans For Christ Campus Ministry Fall Weekly Schedule**

Sunday Morning Class in Room 109 (Young Adults)

Sunday Evenings: Bible Study 8:00 p.m. at the Tri-C

Tuesday Nights: Dinner & Devo, 6:00 p.m. at the Tri-C

Thursday Nights: Activities (starting at 6:00 p.m.)



**CareFlite Insurance is Still Available**  
\$75.00 covers your entire family for 5 years  
Enrollment Forms are in the Church Office



**Monday Evenings, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Family Center**  
**For any Hurt, Habit or Hangup**

**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!

**QR Code to access Connection Form**







Heart | Soul | Mind | Strength  
Graham Street Youth Group



# TEENS

## Children's Ministry



For ages 3, 4 & 5  
\*Volunteers See  
Courtney McGuire\*



Nov. 10—Rick & Renea Green  
Dec. 8—Ryan & Kasey Reed

Thank you Erik & Amanda Meyers for hosting the Youth Group!



### Children's Bible Lessons

Every Sunday Morning at 9:00



### There Will Be Children's Church 11/10

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**But There Is Still Urgent Need for Children's Church Teachers, Class Teachers & Helpers & Hall Monitors—See Megan Becker if you can help.**

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Children's Offering goes to Glenn Moody Bible Fund which provides Bibles for many who do not have one.



Wednesday Night Meal  
Mexican Meat & Potatoes, Hominy  
Sopapilla Cheesecake  
\$4.00 recommend price

### Meeting Times Sunday

Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Meal 5:30

Wednesday Class 6:30

Church Office Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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