



# GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

**February 2, 2025**

## 2025 Goal Areas

### **#3 Hire New Campus Minister and Reach Out to Tarleton State**

Obviously with Taylor and Whitney moving to a new ministry at Murray State University in Kentucky, we need to find a new Campus Minister for the Texans for Christ at Tarleton State University and Ranger College as a ministry of the Graham Street Church of Christ in Stephenville, Texas. Taylor and Whitney Holt did an outstanding job, and Evan McElroy, the Campus Ministry Intern, has stepped in to do a great job as the Interim Campus Minister. Evan will be starting back to college to work on a ministry degree at Abilene Christian University full time this fall. We would like to get a Campus Minister, preferably a Campus Minister husband and wife team, to be ready to start this Spring to work with Evan before he heads back to school and to be able to get a good start of preparing for the Fall semester. The Campus Ministry Committee, the Elders and I have been interviewing candidates virtually and hope to narrow it down to one or two to come to Stephenville for live interviews soon.

### **#4 Meet the Increased Demand for Basic Needs**

The Basic Needs ministry has used the words of Jesus in Mat. 25:35-36 to explain the mission of this important ministry, "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Every year the demands for this ministry have increased drastically to provide for the most at need in our community. In 2024, Basic Needs served 6,552 individuals which is 1,554 more than were served in 2023. Basic Needs is a ministry of this church and 501c3 non-profit that works in cooperation with other service agencies and resource providers in the collaborative wagon wheel of WIN (Wholistic Investment Network) with its 30 partners to holistically meet the needs of the whole person physically, mentally, relationally, and spiritually. Basic Needs could always use more money, volunteers, prayers, and with the increase in demand for this ministry, it could also use more space. Which brings us to the next goal area.

### **#5 Improve our Facilities to better achieve our Disciple Making mission.**

We want to complete what we have started in improving the facilities in the main building, the auditorium, the area behind the stage and, the education wing. We want to update and improve the Family Center. We want to improve our sound system to go with our great new screen (thank you Chad!). And we want to find a place where we can bring Basic Needs under one roof with more space to work, maybe in the same building with WIN and some of the other service providers in our community where those in need can get what they need all in one place. Let's be praying for the Lord's provision for that dream! "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." (2 Cor. 9:8).

**David Bearden**



And Then There is This



It is a Sunday morning, a time to reflect on how the Lord has delivered me. I must remember this, for memory sustains faith. The Lord's mercies are endless.

This morning, I am focusing on . . .

...those who have lost a spouse and are navigating their new reality. "Going to church" feels challenging, dreaded, and awkward. The walk from the car to the front door can feel lonely and arduous.

Lord, have mercy!

...those grieving in California and North Carolina.

Lord, have mercy!

...immigrants—who are not evil, but desperate and afraid—and the tears of children who simply do not understand.

Lord, have mercy!

Blessings, GK

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart.

- 2 Corinthians 4:1

Love Basket News

The Love Basket Served 134 Families and 439 Individuals in January



The Current Plan for the Next Basic Needs Garage Sale  
June 1—4—Set up & Preparation  
June 5—7 Actual Sale  
Mark Your Calendars



Month of December 2024

Individuals	483
Families	132
New	14

Compared to 2023, we saw 1,554 more individuals than we saw in 2024.



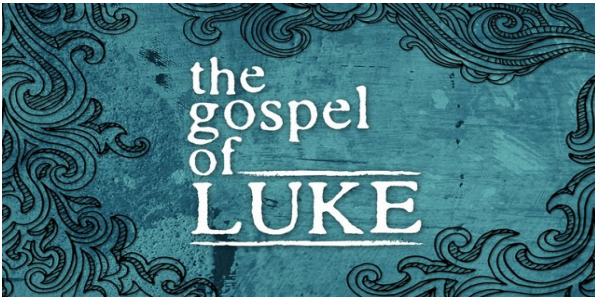
Basic Needs has an URGENT need for these items: CEREAL, chicken, TUNA, shampoo, deodorant & all other Toiletries are also needed, etc.

Your help is appreciated!

Let's Fill The Cart & More!



**Adult Bible Study Opportunities**



On Sunday, 02/02/2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium Hughbert Collier will be teaching. Hughbert is continuing the in-depth study of The Gospel of Luke.

You don't want to miss it. These are important lessons about the life and teaching of Jesus.



**Young Adult Class**

This Sunday, 02/02/2025, at 9:00 in Room 109, join Evan McLeroy as he leads the discussion on "Discipleship 101".



**GPS Class**

David Bearden has been leading the Godly Parenting Skills class in the GPS room. **The class is meeting this Sunday, February 2, and will be studying "Family Walk Through the Bible".**



**New Bible Study Discussion Class**

This class starts on Sunday, 02/02/2025, in the Family Center. The facilitator will be Doug Young. This first Sunday will be spending some time with participants deciding what subjects to discuss.



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

The Men's & Women's Bible Class will meet on Wednesday, 02/05/2025, at 6:30 in their respective class locations. "Obstacles to Spiritual Growth—Flesh"



## SUNDAY February 2

- February 2: **Adult Class— 9:00 a.m.** In the auditorium Hughbert Collier is teaching the series on The Gospel According to Luke
- February 2: **Young Adult Class**—Evan McLeroy leads a discussion on “Discipleship” in Room 109
- February 2: **Adult Class**—David Bearden leads a class on Godly Parenting Skills on “Family Walk Through the Bible” in the GPS Room
- February 2: **New Sunday Morning Bible Discussion Class**— 9:00 a.m. in the Family Center Doug Young will be the facilitator
- February 2: **Sunday Morning Worship** at 10:00 AM David Bearden will preach the lesson on “Obstacles to Spiritual Growth—Flesh”

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 5: **Wednesday Night Meal** - at 5:30 p.m.  
Porcupine Meatballs, Green Beans, Salad, Banana Pudding  
(recommended price is \$4.00)
- February 4: **Men’s Annual Chili Cookoff**—6:30 p.m. in the Family Center (contact Larry Herrington) All men are invited—you do not have to bring chili to come!
- February 11: **Duracells Meet**—**Note Special Time: Meeting at lunch!**  
Bring a potluck to share—we will play Valentine Bingo!
- February 16: **Mission Committee Meets**—In the Family Center, immediately following Worship Service (a meal will be served)



- February 28: **Father/Daughter Night**—more details soon!



Fred & Cathey Alvord; Billy & Linda Powell; Courtney Clayton; Jody Caudle; Mischelle Oliver; Ricky Caudle; Mildred Buchanan; Karen Bills; Micaela Moore; Kenneth Wylie, room 309 in Mulberry Manor; Chantelle Mora; Pam Clayton; Susie Barnes; Jimmy Green; Peggy Rice (mother of Margie Copeland); Mary Havens; Keith Fredrickson

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**Giving Update**

<b>Contribution 01/26/2025</b>	<b>\$ 10,092</b>	<b>Budget for 2025</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>YTD Contribution</b>	<b>\$ 37,542</b>	<b>YTD Budget for 2025</b>	<b>\$</b>

**Percentage of YTD Contribution Budget**

**Texans For Christ Campus Ministry**

Spring Weekly Schedule

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

Also Bible Study on Tuesdays, at 8:00 p.m. in the Tri-C.

Super Bowl Party at the home of David & Vicki Bearden, starts at 5:00.

Campus Encounter in Stillwater, OK, February 28—March 1



**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—1st Grade  
*\*Volunteers See  
Courtney McGuire\**



Super Bowl Party 2/9/2025

Cross Connect in Brownwood on 2/16/2025

Youth Devo on Sunday, February 23, 2025

Cross-Connect Sunday, March 2nd

3:00 p.m. in the Family Center

**Camps for 2025:**

June 1-5 Cisco

June 8-13 Encounter (Lubbock)

June 15—21 Bandina



## Children's Bible Lessons

01/12 Sunday Morning at 9:00



There Will Be Children's Church  
02/02/2025

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Children's Offering goes to Glenn Moody Bible Fund which provides Bibles for many who do not have one. The Children gave \$4,364.98 in 2024.



*Daddy/Daughter Night  
February 28, 2025  
Family Center  
Mark Your Calendars*

## 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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