

## List of Local Serving Opportunities

Our vision at Faith Promise Church is to impact the unchurched of the world for God, starting in our surrounding counties. We believe God has called His Church to be His hands and feet as well as His voice here on this planet. We are all called to be on mission locally and globally. We care for the lost, hurting, and poor wherever we find them. Please look over the group serving opportunities below. **Once your group has taken the time to serve, please fill out the form under the Group Leader's Resource section on our church website to let us know what you have done.**

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<b>Cleaning Carpets</b>	Clean the carpets around the center. Scrub spots ahead of time.		Several hours	Small Group
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<b>Disinfect toys (semi-annually)</b>	Spray and disinfect toys in the nursery.		1 hour	Small Group
<b>Clean heating and air room</b>	Clean out room. Clean out paper and trash, as well as sweep.		2 hours	Small Group
<b>Clean parking lot</b>	Remove trash, debris, leaves, and sticks from back parking lot.		Several hours	Small Group
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### **Alpha House**

Alpha House, Inc. is a faith-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit created to provide a transition home with love and support for women who have experienced the cycle of domestic abuse, addiction, and incarceration. Alpha House emphasizes a focus on the whole person by addressing her spiritual, physical, mental, and emotional needs. Above all, the Alpha House program enables residents to build a solid foundation for rebuilding their lives, found only through a relationship with Jesus Christ. God changes the woman, who then changes her family and community. The residential program is temporarily on hold while we raise funds to purchase a permanent home. Monetary donations and sales profits from the Alpha Bitz Thrift Shop in Oliver Springs are currently our primary sources of funds.

We gladly welcome small groups who wish to serve at Alpha Bitz by: 1) sorting, cleaning, and preparing clothes for display; 2) picking up donations from yard sales or residences (pick-up trucks needed); 3) gathering good-quality furniture and clothing to donate; 4) maintaining grounds; 5) participating in a jail ministry for women; 6) donating skills for repairs and small remodeling projects; 7) using your design and media talents in brochures, flyers, and Web presence; or 8) jail ministry on most Friday afternoons. We will help find the perfect service task for YOU! Ask us about an easy way for your small group to participate in the 400/\$21 Hope Partnership.

Contact Buffy Russell at 865-730-6323 for more information.

### **BLOUNT CAMPUS:**

#### **Family Promise of Blount County**

Looking for a way to make sure homeless children and families are safe and get back into permanent homes? Then we need YOU at Family Promise! You can...

Donate Supplies! It takes a village to supply a shelter...and we need everything, including diapers, hygiene items, office & school supplies, and laundry/cleaning items.

Donate Time! Volunteer in our shelter, prepare a meal, play with babies, serve on our Board, help with our committees, and much more.

Call or email us at [tlatham@blountfamilypromise.org](mailto:tlatham@blountfamilypromise.org) for more info and we'll get you connected immediately.

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### **Pregnancy Resource Center of Blount County**

We invite you to partner with us to make an eternal difference in this life-affirming ministry. Do you want to make a positive difference in this life? This is where you can do it.

Your investment in the Pregnancy Resource Center will:

- Help women, men, teens, couples, and families choose life for their babies.
- Help those who have experienced an abortion find forgiveness and healing.
- Help women, men, teens, couples, and families to make wise decisions and healthy choices regarding abstinence until marriage and to believe they are worth the wait.
- Help mentor fathers to experience their love and value in Christ and embrace and live out their role as husbands and fathers.
- Help mentor and teach positive parenting and life skills.
- Help provide a hand-up to meet material needs to those we serve.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- RNs
- Sonographers
- Repair/Building Maintenance Team (for house needs: air conditioner, water leak, etc.)
- Assist with Tuesday evening step classes
- Receptionist
- Data Entry
- Administrative Help
- Client Counselor
- Event planning
- Housekeeping
- Sorting clothing and other donated items

For more information call: 865-977-8378

### **CommunityWorx**

CommunityWorx exists to bring glory to God through our Mission, which is to organize volunteers to help local (Blount County, TN) agencies and families with needs. We accomplish this Mission through the programs that have been identified to target needs in the community, including the following:

CommunityWorx Days (Volunteer workdays with a variety of tasks so that EVERYONE can find a place to serve-Next Work Day is Saturday, April 1)

CommunityWorx Closet (Hygiene and cleaning supplies, household goods, etc. for local families in need)

CommunityWorx Pray-ers (Weekly prayer list for clients' and volunteers' prayer requests.)

For more information or to sign up your group for the April 1<sup>st</sup> work day please call or email Carol Lucas at [Cdlucas32@gmail.com](mailto:Cdlucas32@gmail.com) or 804-5376.

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### **John 3:16 Outreach**

John 316 Outreach helps individuals and families in Blount County through Home Repairs, Home Furnishings, and Firewood for heating. John 3:16 Outreach is recruiting now for their big spring workday on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. For more information please contact Jessica at 865-336-9262 or email [john316om@gmail.com](mailto:john316om@gmail.com).

### **Second Harvest Food Bank**

Volunteers make all the difference in the success of the food bank, doing mission critical tasks like sorting donated items, packing food boxes, aiding in administration and helping at special events. Individuals and groups of up to 30 are welcome. Volunteer shifts are available Monday through Saturday both morning (9 a.m.-12 p.m.) and afternoon (1 p.m.-4p.m.). If you're ready to get to work, contact Greg LaRose, our Volunteer Coordinator at [greg@secondharvestetn.org](mailto:greg@secondharvestetn.org).

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## **CAMPBELL CAMPUS:**

### **Campbell County Children's Center**

The center was founded in 2001 to provide a safe haven for sexually and physically abused children. Instead of being interviewed countless times at different locations, a child can share their experience with one caring and specially trained professional. While the center is not a residential facility, our caring experts also will ensure children will have a safe place to stay. From the gift of a handmade quilt when they first walk through the doors to the kindness of our staff and volunteers during their visit, children are treated with warmth. Our focus is on the child, not the system. While we are dedicated to delivering comprehensive service to the child abuse victims and their families, our true goal is to comfort and provide understanding to the child, much like the comfort of a familiar quilt.

For more information contact: (423) 562-4190.

### **Blanket Ministry**

Stop by the Campbell County Campus once a month to help make fleece tie blankets for EMS workers, and children at local area hospitals. Contact Renee Shepherd to find out when the blanket ministry will meet next by emailing, [missnay73@yahoo.com](mailto:missnay73@yahoo.com).

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### **Jacksboro Elementary School**

The needs at Jacksboro are constantly changing. Contact Travis Spiva at [traviss@faithpromise.org](mailto:traviss@faithpromise.org) for a list of current ways your group can connect and serve. Possible projects include yardwork, painting projects, adopt-a-classroom, providing a meal for the teachers, and more.

### **The Shepherd's Home**

The Shepherd's Home is a Christ-centered transition home for women in recovery from addiction. Our goal is to bring glory to God by providing a safe environment for women as they learn job skills, social skills, money management, health, and community participation while striving toward a continued life of sobriety and productivity-spiritually, emotionally, and socially. Contact Rhonda Madden, the Exec. Director Shepherd's Home at 423-562-0030 for more information.

### **NORTH KNOX CAMPUS:**

#### **Norwood Community School – Great Schools Partnership**

There are several opportunities for folks to serve at Norwood – most of them involve adult education/fitness – for instance they are looking for volunteers who can teach basic skills in Insurance, Financial Budgeting, Women's Health, Yoga, Zumba, and Driving Lessons to refugee families (any class pertaining to basic life skills in America would be welcomed). In addition to these classes they are always looking for ESL teachers – you don't have to speak Spanish to do this. For more information email Jordan Frye at [jfrye@greatschoolspartnership.com](mailto:jfrye@greatschoolspartnership.com).

**Emerald Youth Foundation** – Emerald Youth Foundation is committed to ministering with Knoxville's urban young people right where they live, go to school and play.

Volunteer Opportunities at Emerald Youth:

**JustLead** - Serve as a tutor with elementary, middle or high school young people; provide homework help to elementary youth during the school year; lead a small group or worship time, etc.

**Emerald Youth Sports** - Coach, keep score, help manage concessions, etc. for sports such as basketball, soccer, volleyball, swimming, and baseball.

**Emerald Youth Fellows** - Serve as a life coach for young adults, provide college/career guidance, etc.

If you would like further information before applying, please Rachel Davis at [rdavis@emeraldyouth.org](mailto:rdavis@emeraldyouth.org).

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### **KARM - Knox Area Rescue Ministries**

Our mission is to be a place where God's people can use their gifts, skills, and talents to impact the lives of the poor, needy and homeless of our community – where every person can grow in faith and obedience to the risen Lord!

Our goal is that every person who comes through our doors experiences the gospel, and this happens through our committed volunteers. Relationships develop, trust is built, and lives are restored. Whether it is through working directly with our guests or behind the scenes opportunities, KARM could not provide our guests a place of rescue and restoration without the time that our volunteers, the body of Christ, are so willing to offer.

Want to learn more? We offer the KARM Volunteer Encounter a brief overview of KARM, its volunteer opportunities, and a tour of the facilities, every 2nd Tuesday and 4th Saturday.

For more information email [volunteer@karm.org](mailto:volunteer@karm.org).

### **Knoxville Dream Center Food Truck**

The Knoxville Dream Center is the umbrella organization that includes the Lost Sheep homeless ministry. The goal of KDC is to keep families from slipping into the cycle of homelessness. By providing food through the Food Truck ministry, they aim to prevent homelessness for families that don't have enough money to make ends meet month-to-month. KDC gets their food donations from a variety of sources, which include food rescue from grocery stores and private donations of fresh fruits and vegetables. Sign up to serve at <http://signup.com/go/AsXBU5> or by emailing Jordan Frye at [jfrye@greatschoolspartnership.com](mailto:jfrye@greatschoolspartnership.com).

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### **Operation Backyard (Do we want to flow all volunteers through Greg Fine at North?)**

Operation Backyard is a ministry of the Knoxville Leadership Foundation, a faith based non-profit agency. KLF ministers in Knoxville's inner-city neighborhoods, and in 1998, KLF started Operation Backyard to carry out its home repair program. Since 1998, Operation Backyard has served over 800 homeowners, utilizing over 9000 volunteers.

The Operation Backyard Minor Home Repair Program provides free home repairs for low-income families, and is about loving those families by using service projects as a means of entry into their lives to build a Christ-centered relationship between the volunteer groups and their homeowners.

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### **KIN – Knoxville International Network**

KIN exists to connect, equip and encourage the body of Christ to love internationals living among us.

We envision Knoxville to be a city that embraces individuals from many countries as family, so they might experience lives of dignity, purpose and hope. KIN connects, equips and encourages its partners toward this vision, confident that we are more effective together than alone.

For more information email [info@kin-connect.org](mailto:info@kin-connect.org).

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When most people think about volunteering for Knoxville Habitat for Humanity the image that comes to mind is one of building houses. Sure, construction is the most visible part of our mission, but we have so many more ways that individuals and groups can give of their time. In whatever capacity they decide to share their talents, our volunteers choose the amount of time they want to give. Some work once a month, some twice a week. It's up to each individual volunteer. And you don't have to be experienced to fill any volunteer position. On the construction site, we don't require any prior knowledge of construction for most volunteer positions. Volunteering with Knoxville Habitat for Humanity is a way to learn new skills, to meet new people, and most importantly, to help a deserving family achieve the dream of home-ownership.

For more information email Trinity Edgar at [tedgar@khfh.com](mailto:tedgar@khfh.com).

#### **The Restoration House**

The Restoration House is a nonprofit organization that helps restore single mothers and their children back to God's good intent for their lives. Through supportive transitional housing, ally teams, and family advocacy, TRH walks alongside low-income single-mother families, helping them break harmful cycles and regain hope and a future.

There are many opportunities to help single mother families by investing your time with The Restoration House. You may join an ally team, teach a life skill, provide administrative support, help with an event, pray for families and staff, or contribute in some other way that inspires you.

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