Fall 2021 Local Missions Opportunities

Hub City Hustle

Saturday, October 2, 2021 First Priority is hosting the Hub City Hustle fundraiser. Volunteers are needed from 6AM-11AM for various lengths of time and various roles. Volunteer roles needed: traffic volunteers, run course volunteers and food volunteers. If interested in volunteering, contact JD Simpson: jd@fpsouthms.org.

Lamar County Education Foundation

The Lamar County Education Foundation uses donations to purchase meals from the Mississippi Food Network. Meals are discretely placed in backpacks of students who are at risk of not having access to food during the weened on Fridays. Funds for this program are currently low. If you would like to donate pleas contact Marcia Line at lamarcountyedfoundation@gmail.com

Checks are tax deductible and can be made payable to Lamar County Education Foundation and mailed to: PO Box 18590, Hattiesburg, MS 39404.

Highway 49 Clean- Up

Every second Saturday of the month, join us to clean the one-mile stretch of Clyde Kennard Memorial Highway alongside the USM campus. We are joining the City of Hattiesburg in their Litter Bug Campaign. We will meet at TBC at 8:30, then take a church bus to USM to meet the city representative and begin cleaning. All required items are provided: safety vests, garbage bags, garbage pickers. If you have a pair of outdoor or gardening gloves, please bring those. Gloves provided are limited. We will clean for approximately an hour (9-10am). You can register online to volunteer or contact the Missions Office.

For more information please contact the Missions Office: 601-450-3079 or missions@tbclife.net

Dates: Saturday, November 13, 2021 Saturday, December 11, 2021 Saturday, February 12, 2022

Operation Christmas Child- National Collection Week

Operation Christmas Child at TBC will be from October 10, 2021- November 7, 2021. Please be on the lookout for your class goal. Our church-wide goal is 1,500 boxes.

We are also the Collection site for our area for National Collection Week (November 15-22, 2021). We will be needing volunteers, so if you or anyone in your class is interested, please contact the Missions Office. Dates and times are below.

Monday, November 15 5-7PM Tuesday, November 16 10-12AM Wednesday, November 17 11AM-1PM Thursday, November 18 6-8 PM Friday, November 19 9AM-12 Saturday, November 20 10-12 Sunday, November 21 1-3PM

International Student Ministry

The iFriends group of Hattiesburg is also looking for families/ individuals interested in International ministry. They are looking for 2 different commitments from local believers. The first is **short term** and it is for those willing and able to help students feel welcomed and acclimated to the area. You'll help them get basic necessities, learn the area and help them feel welcome the first few weeks of their school year. The second commitment is more **long term**. They are looking for families that will, in a sense, adopt an international student or family. You will be asked to reach out to your students regularly, especially during holiday seasons when the school is closed and there is less opportunity for interaction. You'll be asked to invite students/ families into your home for meals or just time to get to know them and allow them to experience American (especially Christian) culture. Basically, be like a host home or family to these students while they're away from home, and use your influence to share the gospel.

Fire Hall Ministry

A member of our church body has been serving the local fire stations. Through his ministry, he has found some needs that the fire halls have. If you would like to join in blessing those that care for our city, this is a great way to bless the community! We have a comprehensive list of needs should any one be interested in donating items for one of our local fire stations. Some of the items on this list include: coffee makers, coffee, pots and pans, other kitchen appliances, games, and fans. For a more comprehensive list, please see the final page of this document.

Thrift Store at Fieldhouse for the Homeless

The thrift store at Fieldhouse for the Homeless is looking for help at their thrift store. A church member and the director, Cynthia Young, are trying to organize a once a month service opportunity. Volunteers will be helping people with clothes, organizing the store, ministering to those coming in the store, and other tasks like cleaning, and clerical work. It will happen once a month on Saturdays. Any time you are available between 8-12. Men and women can volunteer, but women should volunteer in groups or have some men involved. If interested please contact Cynthia Young at Fieldhouse for the Homeless 601-299-8209 or Trey Garraway at 601-731-8739

VA Van Ministry

A TBC church member helps twice weekly driving veterans from Forrest General Hospital to the VA in Jackson. This is a great ministry to come join along. The volunteers will drive a van, leaving FGH at 7:00 AM. Please contact the Missions Office for more information.

Youth Challenge Mentor Program

Join The Mississippi National Guard Youth Challenge Program to help mentor a youth-at-risk (16-18 year old young men) who has made the decision to work for a better future. This is a voluntary 22 week program. You'll benefit from special training-designed to help you decode the world of at youth risk. Bridge the gap. Commit to a relationship (at least 14 months) with a youth matched to you. Play basketball. Hike. Go to the movies. Be a friend. Help "your kid" stay on track. Work on specific goals. Hold steady in an uncertain world. Receive ongoing support and guidance from caring, committed staff. Our kids are at risk, out of school and running out of time. Many are ready to start a new course in life and are looking for direction. More information can be found at: http://msyouthchallenge.org/mentors/

The Youth Challenge Mentor Program offers varying commitments from 6 months-14 months.

Terrence Lowery is also looking for 3-4 men to lead one of the Bible Study groups for the Youth Challenge Academy on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:00 PM. There are usually 10-12 participants. The group would begin in late July and end with the class graduation in December. You'll facilitate Bible Study and be responsible for providing snacks. Terrance can be reached at 601.402.4899

Prison Ministry

Prison Ministry meets at the Forrest County Regional Jail on Mondays & Thursdays at 6:30PM, and Wednesdays at 9:30AM. The team will go into different cell blocks to hold

Bible Study with the cell mates in that block. As many as 14 men and 4-6 ladies assemble at the Court Room in the Reginal Jail. You will have one hour to share the gospel, disciple and/ or counsel inmates in a cell block or work center. Contact the Missions Office for more information.

Extra Table

601.582.5683 info@extratable.org

Extra Table provides food to food pantries across the state. Classes can volunteer in a variety of ways depending on what the need is at the time. One need is to pack rice and food boxes. This can be done at their warehouse downtown, or it is possible to set up at the church as well! Other possibilities are sorting shirts, writing thank you notes, and much more! Martha Allen is our contact at Extra Table, she is the Executive Director and will be glad to get your class involved. They also pack meals at the old Trees and Trends building on the last Sunday of each month.

Hope Clinic

Contact: Karen Sims, Director

karen@hopeclinicms.com 601.264.2181

Gifts: Bible Fellowship classes can collect small items to put together in a small gift bag to first time patients at Hope Clinic. This could include: hair ties, chapstick, nail polish, lotions, or other small times.

Community Baby Shower: Hope Clinic has a ministry to provide diapers and other essential items to moms in the community through their monthly Community Baby Shower. Classes can collect items like diapers, wipes, onesies and other necessities. Volunteers are welcome, but must attend training first. Baby Showers take place on the first Monday of each month at the Hardy Street Baptist Church Activity Center.

Volunteer: Members can volunteer at the Community Baby Showers or during the week in the office. Some training is required for both. Please contact Karen Sims for more information.

Homeless Ministry

Contact: Missions Office 601.450.3079

The Missions Office at TBC has yellow, reflective backpacks for members to fill with small items that would be a blessing to someone in the homeless community. The purpose is to fill a backpack, then keep it in your car to give when you are given the opportunity interact with a homeless person in our

community. We have a guide about what to pack and what not to pack. Please contact the Missions Office for more information.

Urban Ministry

Contact: Missions Office 601.450.3079

Volunteer: The Urban Ministry at Temple is always looking for church members who are willing to invest in one-on-one discipleship with students from this ministry. This is a weekly ministry that provides discipleship material for you to walk through with students each week in order to help them learn what a relationship with Jesus looks like. The group will follow the church's schedule for meeting times on Wednesday nights.

Meals: The Urban Ministry also provides a meal each time the group meets.

Classes can provide funds to purchase a meal or organize a potluck meal for the students.

Military Family Ministry and Nursing Home Ministry

Military Family Ministry, Nursing Home Ministry

Contact: Missions Office 601.450.3079

Care Ministry as several aspects that aim to minister to and care for several different groups in our church and community. One aspect is the Military Family Ministry. This group at Temple currently writes cards to veterans at the Collins Veterans Home. There is a rotation and it is a great blessing to the veterans.

Care Ministry also involves creating and sending care packages to nursing homes or simply making cards to drop off to resident in nursing homes. Please personally contact the nursing home your class would like to help with. Our Children's Ministry has also done several projects with the Alden Point Nursing Home in Hattiesburg.

United Christian Academy (United Christian Ministry)

Contact: 769.390.7907

United Christian Academy is closely connected with our Urban Ministry. They provide a more focused learning environment for students from different Urban Ministry groups around Hattiesburg. They are always looking for volunteers and mentors for students. Another way to get involved is to provide, help in preparing, and serving lunches to the students. Please contact the school directly for more information regarding open dates and times.

Ways to help:

Weekly one on one tutoring with a child in the school
Organizing clubs/ activities for our kids (chorus, dance, sports, etc.)
Serving as a "food prep" helper for lunch on a regular schedule

Christian Services

Contact: 601.582.5683

Christian Services is another one of our local partners. They provide several ministries to those in the Hattiesburg area. They have a food bank, provide hot lunches, a thrift store and more. Classes can help serve hot lunches, organize the food pantry or store and other tasks. You can find a list of all service opportunities at: https://www.christianserve.org/volunteer

Or contact Christian Services at the phone number provided.

Edwards Street Fellowship

Contact: 601.544.6149

Edwards Street Fellowship provides our community with many social services. They have a food bank, social workers, a thrift store, pharmacy and a medical clinic. Volunteer opportunities differ through out the year. Please contact Edwards Street to see where help is needed. Due to Covid Edwards Street Fellowship can only accept a max of 3 volunteers at a time.

Snack Drop Off

Contact: Missions Office: 601.450.3079

Classes can minister to first responders and our front line health care workers by baking or purchasing snacks and/ or drinks to drop off to the Lamar County Sheriffs Department, Fire Departments or the Covid drive thru test clinic and Covid floor at FGH as a thank you to our first responders and front line workers.

**Please be sure to let your class members know how to log any missions hours! We want to CELEBRATE missional living. Hours can be logged at tbclife.net/missions (Community Service Hours Form) or email missions@tbclife.net

Fire Hall Needs

For 9 stations:

- 1) Bunn coffee makers (regular size)
- 2) Coffee, coffee, (Community and Grin are favorites)
- 3) Flat screen TV's (any size) (small ones could be used in the individual bedrooms) (larger ones in the main living area).
- 4) Workout equipment (barbell sets, bench sets, treadmills, rowing machines, etc. Pretty much anything would be accepted.)
- 5) Pots, pans, nice skillets, plates, cups, utensils
- 6) Coffee mugs
- 7) Other kitchen appliances: crock pot, blender, Fry daddy, George Foreman grill, etc.
- 8) Games: Foosball table, Ping Pong table, horseshoes, washers, corn hole, etc.
- 9) Bibles with reading guides.
- 10) Interior paint and accessories. (They have to do the labor)
- 11) Lawn equipment: mowers, weedeaters, blowers
- 12) High powered fans! Any size