# MISSIONS & SERVING

### MOBILIZING YOUR CLASS FOR SERVICE

A Life Group is not an end in itself, but a means to the end of learning, maturing and equipping members to serve. As class members mature, class leadership should create opportunities for serving within the class and encourage members to serve outside the class. Many different serving options are available at <a href="https://www.ChampionForest.org/volunteer">www.ChampionForest.org/volunteer</a>.

### **COMMUNITY MINISTRY & MISSIONS**

- Each Life Group is encouraged to support one of CFBC's approved local community ministries on a regular basis. In the event a Life Group desires to support a ministry other than those approved by the Missions Department, they should submit in advance a request for approval from the Missions Department for consideration as a "church approved" ministry. Contribution credit can only be given for donations directly to the church for prior approved community ministries and missions. A complete policy regarding approved ministries and criteria for approval is available in the Missions office.
- Each Life Group is encouraged to pray for and send members on CFBC's Mission Trips—see www.ChampionForest.org/missions. Life Groups are encouraged to first support CFBC initiated mission trips. In the event Life Groups desire to participate in a trip other than a "church initiated" trip, please submit in advance details regarding the trip to the Missions department for consideration as a "church approved" trip. Contribution credit can only be given for donations directly to the church for prior approved mission trips. A complete policy regarding mission trips and criteria for approval is available in the Missions office.

## **Community Ministry Opportunities**

## Community Ministry Center

Our CMC aids our community through services like a food pantry, school supplies. Help is always needed for sorting food, distributing food, and much more!

## Champions 4 Hope Homeless Ministry

C4H seeks to reach the homeless of Northwest Houston with the love of Christ. They meet in the Multi-Purpose Building to deliver homecooked food at several locations throughout the area. Meets Saturdays at 9:30am.

## Refugee Ministry

Go on a Prayer walk or organize an outreach event to work with Afghani Refugees through our ministry partner in Southeast Houston. These families are in the US because they helped translate for our troops and are no longer safe in Afghanistan.

## Human Trafficking Ministry

Join us as we pray for, learn about, and serve the victims of Human Trafficking here in Houston. This ministry is just getting off the ground, and will have plenty of opportunities to pray, give, and go.

### Adopt a School

We have developed a great relationship with Benfer and Mittlestadt Elementary schools. Work directly with school administration to pray for the teachers, collect school supplies, host a party, or other ways of developing relationships.

## Adopt a Soldier

Work with our Military Ministry to adopt a soldier for your Life Group to pray for and find opportunities to minister to their families here in town.

## Adopt a Community

The Lord has opened doors for our church to do ministry at several multi-housing communities (apartment complexes, mobile home parks). Work with the Missions Ministry to meet the property manager and begin serving in a way that resonates with your Life Group.

#### Car Care

Provides quarterly oil changes and other routine maintenance for widows, single moms, and spouses of military personnel that are deployed.

#### Home Care

Provides minor home repairs for CFBC members.

## Sewing for Haiti

Come and help us make dresses for the children our mission teams serving in Haiti. No sewing skills required. Meets Wednesday 12pm – 3 pm.

### Haiti Shoeboxes

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 12pm – 3pm every month, January through August, join us in the LE atrium to wrap Christmas Shoeboxes for the children in Haiti.

### International Friendship

Join us throughout the school year as we provide free English classes to hundreds of people from Houston's International population. Volunteers are needed for everything from teaching, to greeting, to helping with snacks. Meets Thursdays from 9:30-11:45.

### Ladies Current Missions

Ladies, come join us on the 3rd Monday of each month to learn about, pray for, and experience Current Missions locally and around the world!

## Angel Paws Ministry

Do you have a dog that would make a great pet therapy dog? Dogs are needed to bring love and joy to others! We have regular opportunities for you and your dog to serve.

To learn more about any of these opportunities, or to sign up, call 281-885-6701.