

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE JESUS CHRIST

- Position:** Care Team Member
- Ministry Area:** Outreach
- Goal of Position:** To assist the Deacon of Outreach in meeting visitation needs and follow up of shut-ins, inactive members, people who are hospitalized, those suffering the loss of a loved one, and other kinds of life difficulties such as jail ministry, convalescent centers, unsaved family and friends.
- Responsible to:** Deacon of Outreach
- Ministry Description:**
1. Contact members who are hospitalized, recently home from the hospital, living in a convalescent center, etc., and let them know what services are provided by the church.
 2. Let the appropriate committee/resource/ministry know how to serve this person.
 3. Shepherd this individual, and as you become aware of changing needs, provide a communication link so services can be provided.
- Length of Commitment:** From: _____ Through: _____
- Preparation Required:** Time to call and visit members and to attend meetings once a month with other team members and Deacon of Outreach.
- Orientation Provided:** Training will be provided by the Deacon of Outreach/Senior Pastor. Resources available include: sending greeting cards, preparing and delivering meals, delivering altar flowers, delivering tapes of church worship services, and prayer through the church prayer chain. Care team members need to become familiar with what our church offers. Visit with someone who is already trained.
- Qualifications/Special Skills:** The ability to listen and to hear the individual's needs is very important. The ability to follow through and fulfill the needs, when possible, is also important. Telephone skills are a must. A caring and sensitive person who loves people.
- Benefit to the Volunteer:** You are a light in the darkness; a beacon to bring the good news to those who are alone, who are experiencing a loss or an illness. You bring cheer and can share the joy of families experiencing changes in their lives. Your care and thoughtfulness by making this important contact brings Jesus to people who otherwise know despair.

*Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest."
(Matthew 9:37-38)*