

"As for Me and My House" 2017

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Prayerfully consider where God is leading you to serve in the coming year.
2. Indicate with a checkmark 2 -3 areas where you will commit your time and talents.
3. If you check off more than 2 -3 jobs, please circle your top THREE choices.
4. Return this form on **Sunday, November 13th** at the combined service of dedication or return this form to the church office.

NAME: (please print)

Please note: We are a **Safe Sanctuaries** congregation. All Staff, Ministry Team Leaders and Volunteers who have regular and direct contact with children, youth and/or "at risk" adults shall be required to fill out and submit forms and be subject to a background check.

TECHNICAL OPERATIONS

- assist w/ computers & networking
- sound system operator, Sun. rotation
- sound system operator, special occasions
- camera operator, Sun. rotation
- camera operator, special occasions
- projection operator, Sun. rotation
- projection operator, special occasions
- computer and software tutor
- PowerPoint preparer
- DVD producer
- DVD duplication

FUN FEST

- welcome tent greeter
- refreshment booth server
- clean up team member
- parking attendant
- set-up team member
- supervise children's rides
- face-painter
- security team member
- visitor follow-up coordinator
- visitor follow-up team

ADMINISTRATION

- answer phones
- make copies
- prepare mailings

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

- repairs
- building maintenance
- grounds maintenance

STEWARDSHIP

- stewardship drive assistant
- stewardship drive speaker (testimony)
- write a testimony for newsletter

FELLOWSHIP

- meal server
- clean-up after meals
- assist older adults ministry
- assist young adults ministry
- outings and trip planner
- assist young couples ministry
- bus driver (CDL may be required)
- Men's Ministry
- United Methodist Women

PRAYER

- prayer vigil leader, rotation
- prayer team member
- prayer in chapel coordinator
- pray in chapel 8:30, rotation
- pray in chapel 9:45, rotation
- pray in chapel 11:00, rotation
- email prayer devotions
- helper for special services/events

WORSHIP

- lay speaker, deliver a message
- children's message speaker
- communion server
- prepare communion
- usher at 8:30, rotation
- usher at 11:00, rotation
- Advent reader
- acolytes coordinator
- restock pews



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MUSIC

- choir member
- fill-in piano/organ/keyboard player
- praise band musician
- instrumental soloist
- vocal soloist

MISSIONS & OUTREACH MINISTRIES

- Upward Basketball volunteer
- Communities of Transformation volunteer
- Food4Kids volunteer
- Open Door Walk Classic coordinator
- assemble cleaning buckets
- assist foreign mission trip planning
- foreign mission trip participant
- domestic (local/ U.S.) mission trip participant
- Alabama Rural Ministry (A.R.M.) coordinator
- home repair worker
- blood drive assistant
- give blood
- Angel Tree, gifts for children of prisoners
- Operation Christmas Child, gifts to needy

MILITARY FAMILIES MINISTRY

- mail DVDs to military service persons
- send cards to military families
- military families events coordinator
- decorate bulletin boards

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- lead Sun. adult class, rotation
- church librarian
- library assistant
- lead Sun. 1st -5th grade class, rotation
- lead Sun. HS class, rotation
- lead Sun. Jr. H / middle class, rotation
- lead Sun. preschool or K class, rotation
- Sunday School class helper
- lead class at a nursing home
- lead a Wed PM activity, 3 yrs. – 5th grade
- lead a men’s study
- lead a women’s study
- lead a short-term study on Wed nights
- lead a short-term study on any day

HOSPITALITY

- gym attendant (before/after office hours)
- picture directory assistant
- donut time greeter
- donut time server
- donut time refreshments provider
- greeter 8:30, rotation

- greeter 9:45, rotation
- greeter 11:00, rotation
- parking lot greeter
- building security
- parking lot security
- decorating assistant
- wedding coordinator
- baby showers coordinator
- bridal showers coordinator
- special events greeter
- new baby ministry coordinator
- new baby ministry assistant
- funeral meals assistant
- funeral meal preparer
- funeral meals server
- funeral meals clean-up team

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

WEDNESDAYS

- Wed. class leader
- Wed. class assistant
- Wed. program assistant
- instrument teacher
- music leader
- Wed. games & activities coordinator
- Wed. games & activities assistant
- driver, child transport van

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45 AM

- class leader, rotation
- class assistant, rotation
- substitute leader

CHILDREN’S CHURCH: 11:00 AM

- Kidz Church Coordinator
- Wee Praise Preschool - 3-4yrs teacher/assistant
- Wee Worship K - 1st teacher/assistant
- Kidz Praise 2nd - 3rd teacher/assistant
- Kidz Worship 4/5th teacher/assistant
- children’s small group leader

KIDZ CRUISE: SUNDAYS 5:30PM

- Elementary Grades 2nd - 6th leader
- crafts
- music
- skits/puppets
- multimedia



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SPECIAL EVENTS

- Special children’s events coordinator
- special children’s events team member

CHILDREN’S CHOIR

- Cherub Choir (K-3 thru K-5) assistant, rotation
- stage management (sets, props, lighting and costumes)
- snack supper team
- lighting assistant
- sound board assistant
- costumes/scenery assistant
- multimedia assistant
- children’s musical decorator

OTHER

- administrative/clerical assistant
- clean toys in nursery
- visioning and planning children’s ministries
- refill children’s activity bags
- puppet ministry assistant
- actor/actress for story times
- outings planner (Terrific Tuesdays, July)
- decorate bulletin boards

YOUTH MINISTRY

- high school small group leader
- junior high small group leader
- junior HS or HS youth chaperone
- swimming pool provider
- bus driver
- local service projects helper
- HS class leader assistant, rotation

CARING MINISTRIES

- nursing home devotion/singing participant
- homebound/nursing home visitor
- hospital visitor
- nursery 8:30, rotation
- nursery 9:45, rotation
- nursery 11:00, rotation
- nursery Sun. evenings, rotation
- nursery Wed. evenings, rotation
- Stephen Leader (training required)
- Stephen Minister (training required)
- DVD deliverer (homebound/nursing home)
- send caring cards/greeting cards

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

- VBS director
- VBS assistant
- 1st -5th grade class leader
- preschool or K class leader
- craft activities coordinator
- recreation coordinator
- class helper
- snacks coordinator
- song leader
- song leader assistant
- publicity coordinator
- shuttle van driver
- registration follow-up coordinator
- decorations coordinator
- decorations assistant
- opening/closing program coordinator
- opening/closing program assistant
- actor/actress
- A/V operator

EVANGELISM

- evangelism planning team
- visit first time visitors
- visitor follow-up coordinator
- visitor-packet materials assembler
- information table coordinator
- collect attendance registration sheets

COMMUNICATION

- write articles
- write press releases
- develop advertising
- web site assistant

RETURN ALL PAGES OF THIS FORM TO THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY, NOV. 13TH, AD 2016 AT THE COMBINED SERVICE (10:00 AM) FOR “TIME AND TALENT DEDICATION.”

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN A MINISTRY THAT IS NOT DESCRIBED ABOVE, PLEASE WRITE IT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW.



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HOW WILL YOU GIVE FINANCIALLY TO THE MINISTRY & OPERATIONAL BUDGET IN 2017?

In accordance with Malachi 3:8-10, Leviticus 27:30, and Deuteronomy 14:22, among other biblical references to tithing, our members are encouraged to tithe (returning 1/10 or 10% of one’s income to God.) We have provided a chart (Monthly Giving Percentages) to assist you and your family in working toward and achieving the biblical goal of tithing.

WHAT IS THE MINISTRY & OPERATIONAL BUDGET?

The Ministry & Operational Budget supports the daily ministries of Epworth UMC. It is how the church is able to plan and implement life-changing ministries such as worship, Sunday School classes, Bible studies, fellowship groups, youth and children’s ministries, as well as funding the normal operational expenses, such as utilities, maintenance, etc. The Ministry & Operational Budget is dependent upon our congregation’s tithes and special giving. Without the Ministry & Operational Budget, the ministries of Epworth UMC would not take place. Your signed pledge to this fund is our church’s planning tool.

NOTE: The Ministry & Operational Budget does not include special designated giving, such as the Building Fund. When funds are designated for special projects, they are considered above-and-beyond or “second mile” giving, additional to your pledge to give monthly to the Ministry & Operational Budget.

Monthly Income	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	Tithe 10%
\$600	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
\$800	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
\$1000	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
\$1500	45	60	75	90	105	120	135	150
\$2000	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200
\$2500	75	100	125	150	175	200	225	250
\$3000	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300
\$3500	105	140	175	210	245	280	315	350
\$4000	120	160	200	240	280	320	360	400
\$4500	135	180	225	270	315	360	405	450
\$5000	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500
\$6000	180	240	300	360	420	480	540	600
\$7000	210	280	350	420	490	560	630	700
\$8000	240	320	400	480	560	640	720	800
\$9000	270	360	450	540	630	720	810	900
\$10000	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000
\$15000	450	600	750	900	1050	1200	1350	1500
\$20000	600	800	1000	1200	1400	1600	1800	2000
\$25000	750	1000	1250	1500	1750	2000	2250	2500

WHAT IS THE BUILDING FUND?

Donations to the Building Fund will go toward liquidating the debt of our family life center.

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AD 2017 Stewardship Opportunities

“Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness”

PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING FIVE (5) AREAS OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

I. PRAYERS – “Pray without ceasing.” 1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NKJV)

After prayerful consideration, I/we acknowledge my/our commitment to the advancement of the Kingdom of God and Church of Jesus Christ by:

- Praying for His church _____ times per week.
- Praying for His church DAILY.

II. PRESENCE – “. . . not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together” Hebrews 10:25 (NKJV)

After prayerful consideration I/we acknowledge my/our commitment to the advancement of the Kingdom of God and Church of Jesus Christ by:

- Attending morning worship service ____ times per month.
- Attending a weekly prayer meeting or Bible study at Epworth UMC _____ times per month.
- Attending Sunday School _____ times per month

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III. GIFTS – “God loves a cheerful giver.” (ESV) 2 Corinthians 9:7

“A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the Lord; it is holy to the Lord.” Leviticus 27:30 (NIV)

After prayerful consideration I/we acknowledge my/our commitment to the advancement of the Kingdom of God and the Church of Jesus Christ by making the following financial faith investment:

Ministry & Operational Budget

_____ per week
_____ per month
_____ other (specify)

Building Fund (family life center debt reduction)

_____ per week
_____ per month
_____ other (specify)

IV. SERVICE – “As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” Joshua 24:15 (NIV)

After prayerful consideration I/we acknowledge my/our commitment to the advancement of the Kingdom of God and the Church of Jesus Christ by serving in the following area(s), as indicated :

V. WITNESS – Jesus said, “You shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” Acts 1:8 (NASB)

After prayerful consideration I/we acknowledge my/our commitment to the advancement of the Kingdom of God and the Church of Jesus Christ by:

- Inviting _____ (# of) people per month to attend Epworth United Methodist Church on Sunday mornings and/or other activities.
- Sharing Christ (witnessing to) with _____ (# of) people in AD 2017

MY FAITH COMMITMENT

After prayerful consideration, I plan to live out my commitment to Christ and His church in AD 2017 by serving Christ as indicated above.

Please Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Your Copy (tear off before signing and turning in above commitment)

Prayer Commitment _____ Per Week

Attendance Commitment _____ Per Month

Ministry & Operating Budget _____ Per _____

Building Fund _____ Per _____

Service Areas Commitment _____

Witness Commitment _____