Serving Opportunities

We greatly appreciate your heart to serve, so we can really be the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12). Here is a suggested process to get started. Be prayerful through this process.

- 1) Look over this opportunities list, **pick 2 to 3 opportunities** that seem the most interesting to you. Often God has already given you somewhat of a heart for what He wants you to be involved with (Ephesians 2:10).
- 2) **Pray** about which one to try first.
- 3) Email Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org about which ministries you are interested in, so we can get you in touch with the leader. Communicate with the leader for your number 1 pick and tell them you would like to try that ministry for a few weeks. At Stone Creek Bible Church, you always have the freedom to try ministries, without committing long-term. So, feel free to explore to find the place where you fit
- 4) If you really like it, stick with it. If you're not sure about it, try your number 2 pick. When you find the ministry you feel like you fit and others affirm this, then stick with it.

Anywhere in this process that you would like some guidance or if you have a heart for some ministry not listed here, please feel free to contact Pastor Christian.

Sunday Squad (opportunity here for kids to serve too)

Is this you?: You just like to help.

How you will be serving: Set up and tear down tables on Sundays, set chairs in the Worship Center for 30 minutes on Saturdays, and occasionally will be called on for special events. Clean up of Worship Center after services – picking up used bulletins, communion cups, and other things left behind (this is where kids can serve).

Time commitment: 30-45 minutes on Saturday or 20-30 minutes on Sunday. You could do before 1st service or after 2nd. There will be a very rare team meeting.

Impact: A lot of great things happen on Sunday mornings, but none of it can happen if the campus is not accommodating. This ministry supports all the other ministries, so it is a very important.

Usher

Is this you?: You just like to help. You want people to have a good experience at Stone Creek Bible Church.

How you will be serving: Stuffing bulletins before Sunday service, helping to prepare communion, serving communion, taking offering.

Time commitment: 30 minutes before service and 15 minutes after service on Sunday; can do one service or the other. Every other month rotation is possible. There will be a periodic team meeting.

Impact: You will be helping people worship the Lord and be informed. You would be allowing people who feel led and gifted for other things to focus on their things.

Green Angels

Is this you?: You enjoy working with landscape and making it look its best. You want people to enjoy their experience on the church campus.

How you will be serving: Our schedule is random - as a need arises or as you see a need. Tasks will vary. For example, cutting and trashing downed trees, laying new rock, planting new plants, keeping irrigation system repaired, raking, and more. Once or twice a year, the whole church comes together and serves. In October, we plant rye grass.

Time commitment: As much or little as your schedule allows.

Impact: Our property is used for all kinds of entertainment during the week, on Sundays for kids, and for special events. It is important that we have the landscape looking good which provides an inviting place to fellowship and play.

Handy Person or Tech Person

Is this you?: You have some trade expertise or maybe are just a very good do-it-yourselfer. Whatever your skill, we may be able to use it at some point – computers, networks, painting, watering systems, electrical, carpet repair, plumbing, tree planting or trimming, and whatever else we have on property that may need fixing.

How you will be serving: Various things around the church need repairing periodically. We would like to be able to call on you in your area of ability to help us fix those things.

Time commitment: There is no regular time commitment. When we have a need, we will tell you about it and ask you if you have the time and ability to help.

Impact: We do not have a person on staff to maintain our facilities and odd jobs can be very expensive to contract, not to mention the time finding someone we can trust. Having people in our body that can take care of these things is an incredible blessing to us.

Praver Team

Is this you?: Have a desire to pray? - No experience necessary!! Have the ability to maintain confidentiality.

How you will be serving: Spend time with other SCBC attendees in prayer for the pastors, services, and church body. We have a prayer page on our website where you can get ideas to pray for as well as the prayer request emails.

Time commitment: Meet approximately an hour every week at a church attendee's home with others, or you may pray at home on your own.

Impact: Prayer supports everything we do and all the servants doing it.

Administrative Helper (great place for teens to serve too)

Is this you?: You are willing to help in the church office.

How you will be serving: Periodically, we have projects that we need help getting done – copying and binding church directories, shredding old documents, etc. We would put you on a call list for when we need help.

Time commitment: Probably one to three hours on a project, most likely during the week.

Impact: We periodically have projects that add work to the regular schedule of our administrative assistants. Your help would allow them to get everything done in their week.

<u>Creative Helper – graphics, video, web</u> (great place for teens to serve too)

Is this you?: Do you have graphic design skills, ability to make or find creative videos, or web design abilities?

How you will be serving: We regularly have a desire to be more creative in the things we put out and would like to be able to call on you for help in your area of ability.

Time commitment: Would depend on the project. Most things we would probably call you about once a quarter.

Impact: We like to put out quality stuff to represent our church and our God. We often do not have the ability to produce what we would like. So, you could really be a big help to us.

SCBC Food Pantry

Is this you?: You have a heart to help those in need within our community.

How you will be serving: You will help organize donations received, prepare food boxes for distribution.

Time commitment: 10-15 minutes on Sundays or during the week to either put away any food donations received or to put a food box together, checking expiration dates of goods and rotating them, and wiping down shelves/canned goods.

Impact: This allows the pastor and staff to be able to give some help to those seeking it.

Food & Beverage/Hospitality Ministry

Is this you?: You enjoy providing refreshments and hospitality to guests. You like people to feel welcome and enjoy serving.

How you will be serving: Setting up the Hospitality table with various food and refreshments for between services on Sunday mornings.

Time commitment: Volunteers rotate monthly. Takes about 20 - 30 minutes for setup, time between services, and about 15 minutes for cleanup afterwards.

Impact: The Hospitality Ministry provides an important role in making sure our guests and attendees are welcome, comfortable and have a place to fellowship while enjoying refreshments.

Open Hands Ministry: Sewing/Quilting

Is this you? Are you creative? Do you sew or quilt? Do you enjoy gathering with other creatives? Do you want to learn any of these skills? Perhaps you crochet or knit? Do you want to impact the lives and hearts of people with your gifts and talents as a maker?

How you will be serving: Many opportunities are available for a variety of skills and skill levels such as cutting fabric, ironing, laying out designs, sewing, quilting, helping teach skills, etc.

Time Commitment: Time commitments vary and are extremely flexible. Corporate opportunities for building community is offered at monthly sewing days where relationships are established as we work on projects. Individuals may also work on projects at home in whatever capacity fits their own schedule.

Impact: Open Hands Ministry desires to connect creatives, building relationships with those in our church body as well as those outside of our church body who may or may not know Christ. Each item we make is filled with many hours of love, creativity and prayer, often created by many people. Our prayer is that the recipients have a tangible item of beauty that will give them a sense of warmth, love and God's presence. We prayerfully choose various organizations to whom we donate our handmade items.

<u>KidZone - Comfort Zone (CZ) Adult Leader</u>

Is this you? You have a love for the LORD that shows kindness and gentleness to the sweet babies and young toddlers of Comfort Zone. You love to hold, play, pray for and provide comfort for the church's youngest ones. You have a keen awareness for safety and cleanliness for all who enter.

How you will be serving: You set the atmosphere of God's love by holding, playing with, and praying for infants in your care. Being aware of safety and cleanliness of each child's environment is very important in this ministry. You will have a committed teammate or student leaders to help you!

Time Commitment: Comfort Zone adult leader position is available for both 9:00 and 10:45 a.m. services. You can serve as little as twice a month every other month or as much as every week.

Impact: Comfort Zone is a launching pad for nurturing the faith of the next generation as you build the bond of trust that allows parents the freedom to worship with peace of mind.

KidZone – Discovery Zone (DZ) Adult Leader

Is this you? You have a love for the LORD that overflows in kindness to His little ones, **2 to 3-year old children**. Your patience and fun-loving heart are perfect for nurturing these kids into seeing who God is!

How you will be serving: As an adult leader, you guide DZ kids as they learn simple truth statements and begin to memorize scripture as they form their language skills. You will be teaching 29 lessons as the Bible is brought to life through repetitive, interactive, age-appropriate storytelling, worship songs, memory verses with motions, and free time. You will have talented and committed teammate or student leaders to help you!

Time Commitment: The DZ 1 adult leader position is available for the 9:00 a.m. service. You can serve every other week or one month on, one month off, or as often as every week.

Impact: Although young children cannot understand deep truths, their spirits can respond to the Spirit of God, and they can begin to understand simple truths that will someday lead them to deep truth.

KidZone – Adventure Zone 1 (AZ1) Adult Leader

Is this you? You have a love for the LORD and for **Kindergarten and 1st graders.** You are willing to learn and enjoy teaching using the curriculum and object lessons provided to reach these very eager students.

How you will be serving: You will be helping the Adventure Zone 1 kids explore and dig through the Bible to learn foundational biblical truths on redemption and their need for The Savior! You will have committed student leaders to help you!

Time Commitment: AZ 1 meets during the 9:00 a.m. service each Sunday morning. You will be serving as part of a team and will **serve** every week for one month, every other month. Or, we have an opportunity to be a substitute for the teaching or assistant leader. The more often you serve, the more you will be blessed.

Impact: Making an eternal difference in the life of a child is a common occurrence in both Adventure Zone 1 and Adventure Zone 2. AZ kids learn the magnificent character and attributes of God through the systematic curriculum and through the love of the leaders who serve them. Challenging the kids to deepen their relationship or introducing Jesus for the first time is a blessing beyond measure - one that you will never forget!

KidZone – Adventure Zone 2 (AZ2) Adult Leader

Is this you? You have a love for the LORD and a love for 2nd through 3rd graders. You will be helping the Adventure Zone 2 kids explore and dig through the Bible to discover God's redemptive purposes and find their fulfillment in the Person and work of Jesus.

Time Commitment: AZ 2 meets during the 9:00 a.m. service each Sunday morning. You will be serving as part of a team and will **serve** every week for one month, every other month. Or, we have an opportunity to be a substitute for the teaching or assistant leader. The more often you serve, the more you will be blessed. You will have talented and committed student leaders to help you!

Impact: Making an eternal difference in the life of a child is a common occurrence in both Adventure Zone 1 and Adventure Zone 2. AZ kids learn the magnificent character and attributes of God through the systematic curriculum and through the love of the leaders who serve them. Challenging the kids to deepen their relationship or introducing Jesus for the first time is a blessing beyond measure - one that you will never forget!

KidZone - C.O.D.E. 456 Zone - Team Member

Is this you? You have a heart for the LORD and for 4th, 5th and 6th graders. You are able to sympathize with the pressures they have to deal with in this day and age, and you know where the answers lay. Directing them to the sovereignty of God, and how His Word is as alive and active for today's generation as it was in days of old as well as studying the names and character of God; the character of God is revealed through His names.

How you will be serving: C.O.D.E 456 meets during the 9:00 a.m. service each Sunday morning. We want to seize the opportunity to deepen the C.O.D.E. 456 students' level of understanding of how real God is and how relevant *their* faith is to *their* everyday lives as they commit to following Him. You will have committed student leaders to help you!

Time Commitment: You will be serving as part of a team and will **serve** every week for one month, every other month. Or, we have an opportunity to be a substitute for the teaching or assistant leader. You may also be asked to go on an outreach and/or fellowship building event once per quarter.

Impact: C.O.D.E 456 stands for "Christians on Display Everywhere!" Through interesting and thought-provoking Bible study and community service, C.O.D.E. 456 kids learn how to serve God in a personal way.

KidZone – Exploration Zone (EZ) Adult or Student Leader (NEW opportunity)

Is this you? You have a love for the LORD and are comfortable with ministering to a multi-age group of children.

How you will be serving: You will be helping the Exploration Zone children to see and delight in God's glory and help them understand that all creation gives powerful testimony to the greatness and worth of the one true, eternal Creator.

Time Commitment: EZ meets during the **10:45 a.m. service** each Sunday morning. As a teaching or assistant leader, you will be serving as part of a team and will **serve** every week for one month, every other month. Or, we have an opportunity to be a substitute for the teaching or assistant leader. The more often you serve, the more you will be blessed.

Impact: Making an eternal difference in the life of a child is a common occurrence in KidZone. Children learn the magnificent character and attributes of God through the systematic curriculum and through the love of the leaders who serve them. Challenging the kids to deepen their relationship or introducing Jesus for the first time is a blessing beyond measure - one that you will never forget!

Student Ministry (Jr. & Sr. High)

Is this you?: Would you like to have an impact on the next generation? Would you like to see that next generation really love Jesus and do great things for Him? Can you listen and give biblical, but down-to-earth counsel? Can you have fun?

How you will be serving: Your main responsibility will be developing relationships with teens during group times; relationships that will lead to talking about life and faith. Based on what you are good at, you may also help facilitate a small group or help plan games and activities. There will definitely be plenty of opportunities for fun.

Time commitment: About 3 hours a week plus an occasional all-ministry meeting.

Impact: This is an important formational time of these students' lives. They need people involved in their lives that will help them know Jesus, help them form a biblical world view, and navigate the world they are living in. There is maybe nothing more significant than impacting a person's life for eternity, and students will let you. So, you can have that kind of impact if you care for them.

Women's Ministry

Is this you?: Do you have a heart for ministering, encouraging, and serving alongside other women?

How you will be serving: Many different opportunities are available for all skill levels and time constraint levels. The following is a representative list of opportunities: Bible study teachers, small group leaders, room set-up and tear down for Bible studies, people interested in mentoring others, women's prayer group, participating in retreat committee, advertising, and website help.

Time commitment: Commitment varies depending on what you are volunteering for.

Impact: Women's Ministry's mission is to connect women to the heart of God and to each other. As women, we need to be encouraged, loved, and accepted as we take our next step of faith growing closer to God. Serving together is a wonderful opportunity to connect with the women of this church body while having the flexibility in scheduling that we need as women today. Add significance to your life by serving Christ today!

Men's Group

Stone Creek Bible Church's Men's Group focuses on the friendships, trials, and joys of men. We are about strengthening men's relationships in all areas of their life; spiritual, family, work, etc. We accomplish this first and foremost through friendships and then build on that foundation with a variety of events, seminars, affinity groups, and just plain having fun together.

How will you be serving?: There are various aspects of service which are completely dependent upon your heart. Help in organizing events, support work for an event, or just be an active friend to another man.

Time commitment: Commitment varies depending on what you are volunteering for. The time commitment is no more than 30 minutes a week on average.

Impact: Men are a driving force in our society. Be a part of steering that force to honor God. Stone Creek Bible Church Men's Group builds men to walk worthy in Christ, love family like Christ, and build friendships for Christ. We are Christ centered. As one man said at our retreat, "you guys don't take anything seriously except God!"

Music Team

Is this you?: Are you gifted with the ability to play a musical instrument well? Did God give you a beautiful singing voice? Maybe you're not a professional musician, but you do have a certain level of skill and enjoy making music with others, and you want to grow in your abilities. Have you ever considered the thought that maybe God gave you these gifts for His pleasure?

How you will be serving: Joining a team of singers and musicians that have a true heart for worshipping God and are not afraid of worshipping in front of others.

Time commitment: You can let us know how often it is convenient for you to serve, whether that is once every two months, every other week, or any time you are needed. On weeks you serve with the Praise Team, you will arrive at the church on Sunday at 7:30 a.m. for a sound check and to run through the morning's songs. Many weeks you will need to be present through the conclusion of the final service (typically around 12:15 p.m.), although often you would be free to leave following singing in the final service. On most weeks when you serve, you will also need to be at the midweek practice session, which typically starts on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and lasts one and a half to two hours.

Impact: There is perhaps nothing Christians do that is more important than worshipping God. Indeed, Jesus himself said that the greatest commandment is to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength," and expressing our love to God through worship is one of the best ways we show Him our love. Indeed, Jesus also said in John 4 that "the Father seeks after those who will worship Him in spirit and in Truth."

Sound & Light Tech

Is this you?: You have a good ear for nuances in music and have experience running a sound board and mixing audio (or, a strong interest in learning). You work well with other people and have a desire to use your talents to contribute to the worship of the gathered church through ensuring the smooth operation of technical aspects of the service.

How you will be serving: Typically, you will be operating the sound board in the Worship Center during both services on Sunday mornings as well as the Worship Team's midweek practice session (usually Thursday evenings). This will also include mixing sound for the livestream of the service, working with other tech team members, and ensuring the streaming camera and software are set up correctly.

Time commitment: You can let us know how often it is convenient for you to serve, whether that is once every two months, every other week, or any time you are needed. On weeks you run sound, you will be at the church on Sunday from 7:30 a.m. through the conclusion of the final service (typically around 12:15 p.m.). On most weeks when you serve, you will also need to be at the midweek practice session, which typically starts on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and lasts one and a half to two hours.

Impact: Producing a service that is the right mix, and volume is critical for the overall worship experience.

Projection Tech

Is this you?: You are computer savvy and have some experience with programs like PowerPoint or Keynote. You work well with other people and have a desire to use your talents to contribute to the worship of the gathered church through ensuring the smooth operation of technical aspects of the service.

How you will be serving: You will operate the computer in the Worship Center for both Sunday morning services. You will be responsible for loading song lyrics into Keynote presentations, then running the presentations during the worship services. Before and after services, you will also run slide presentations of church announcements. In addition, you will coordinate with the week's teaching pastor on any PowerPoint/Keynote presentations and/or videos to be used during the message. You may also run background music before and after services. Also, working with other tech team members, you will run our livestream software.

Time commitment: You can let us know how often it is convenient for you to serve, whether that is once every two months, every other week, or any time you are needed. On weeks you run projection, you will be at the church on Sunday from 7:30 a.m. through the conclusion of the final service (typically around 12:15 p.m.). Typically, you will not need to be present at the midweek practice, although on rare occasions you may be requested to help out there if available.

Impact: A smooth-running service without distractions is essential in allowing members and guests to focus on the message and the worship service as a whole. The Computer Projection Tech is a very integral part of achieving that very thing.