

### **Cleburne Pregnancy Center:**

The Cleburne Pregnancy Center is a non-profit pregnancy resource center dedicated to providing women and men with accurate, up-to-date information in order to make informed decisions about pregnancy. Various volunteer opportunities include: visiting with clients and sharing Christ's love, serving as a liaison between CPC and your church, teaching a parenting class, praying, helping with fundraisers, painting and organizing the center, public relations, and many more.

### **East Cleburne Community Center:**

Their mission is to provide the residents of Cleburne with the opportunity to enhance the quality of their lives through a positive interaction with our community. Programs that include opportunities for volunteers are: Kids Night Out, Tutoring, Computer Orientation Classes, Boys- 2- Men Mentoring Program, Friday Night Recreation, Art Class, Ballroom Dancing, Spring Break and Summer Programs, as well as holiday dinners.

### **CASA: Court Appointed Special Advocates:**

Advocates become sworn officers of the Court, advocating for an assigned child in the Dependency Court (foster care) system. Volunteer opportunities include becoming an advocate, assisting with special events, fund raisers, etc. Special events include: Clay Shoot in April, 5K Run in May, food for training meetings, planning and hosting the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, toys, clothes, back to school supplies, or sponsoring a day camp: Camp CASA.

### **Christmas in Action:**

Christmas in Action in partnership with the community, repairs homes of low-income elderly and/or disabled homeowners by putting Christian values and principles in Action. Safe At Home is their year round program providing minor repairs to homes such as wheelchair ramps, grab bars, safety tubs, window unit air conditioners, and other minor repairs that enable the elderly or disabled to live safely in their homes. Volunteers would need to make contact with this agency to determine the current needs. Most work would involve construction and home repairs.

### **Cleburne Christian Lodge:**

The Cleburne Christian Lodge is a non-denominational Christian based non-profit organization, which seeks to bring "hope" to the "change" in people's lives by providing safe, temporary lodging for displaced individuals and families and by providing a resource center of local assistance programs and counseling services. The Cleburne Christian Lodge is supported both through gifts of individuals and local churches. All gifts of food, bedding, supplies, prayers, and resource materials are needed and appreciated.

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# **FOR MY NEIGHBOR**

*An outreach  
ministry of  
First Baptist Church*

**“But a certain  
Samaritan,  
as he journeyed,  
came where he was:  
and when he saw  
him, he had  
compassion  
on him.”  
Luke 10:33**



## **2009**

### **Sports & Recreation Outreach for Adults:**

Sports and recreation are not just for kids, adults love them too! Sports and recreation are a great way to reach out and build relationships with people outside of church. This ministry will work with the Recreation Minister to plan, organize, and put on some sports and recreation outreach events for our community.

### **Park Ministries:**

This team will offer opportunities to hold worship and Bible Study at the local State Park on weekends. This provides campers with a chance to join others in learning about the Bible and to build relationships with FBC while never leaving their campsite.

### **Bus Ministry:**

This team will start and maintain a Bus Ministry with the purpose of reaching out to the lost through Bible Study Groups and evangelism. There are many who are un-churched and have no way of getting to church. This team will develop and maintain a ministry of transportation to meet these needs.

### **Follow-up Ministry:**

This ministry will train and develop people for follow-up opportunities. These include follow-up with any decisions made in church (salvation, new members, rededication, etc.) as well as any outreach events (D-Now, Trunk or Treat, VBS, etc.).

### **Transportation and Meals for the Ill:**

The Senior Adult Sunday School Class stands ready to assist those in need of rides to appointments and needing a meal. At times, other volunteers are needed to help with these needs.

### **Community Meals:**

FBC can minister to families and individuals in the community through fellowship and meals. This project could partner with such current ministries as Family Game Night at FBC or with outside ministries such as Crossroads Church. Volunteer opportunities would include cooking, preparing, and serving the meals; advertisement and outreach in the community.

### **After School Tutoring:**

Partnering with the schools in our area to tutor children in a variety of subjects is a needed ministry. Many students lose time due to athletics and other extra-curricular activities, or due to illness. Spanish speaking students fall behind due to language barriers. Volunteering as a tutor is a way to meet these needs.

### **Job Training:**

Many of our "neighbors" in Cleburne lack the necessary fundamental skills to acquire a job due to a variety of life's circumstances. Volunteers could assist those with this need by using the computers in our church library to teach people how to use simple programs such as Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

### **ESL (English as a Second Language)**

Cleburne has a rapidly growing Hispanic population that is located in close proximity to our church. An opportunity to connect with this population would allow volunteers to teach English or to practice English with Hispanic people in the community.

### **Mission Café:**

Support the missions focus of FBC by volunteering in the Café. The Café was begun to spark interest in the mission efforts of the church, to provide an area to promote future mission efforts, and reflect upon previous mission trips. Volunteering in this group would involve helping run the Mission Café, adopting special mission projects, and using the resources collected to serve in the community and around the world.

### **Heart to Heart Homemaking:**

Reaching out to women in a Christian environment using a hands-on approach. This is a chance for ladies to have fun, meet new friends, cook creative recipes, make crafts, and hear the word of God. Volunteers are needed for help with transportation for meetings, child care during meetings, and mentoring as a "big sister".

### **Family Crisis Center:**

The center serves as an emergency shelter and support to families experiencing sexual assault and violence in their homes. Volunteers are essential and are needed for maintenance projects, office volunteers, and seeking donations from the community.

### **Operation Blessing:**

This is a faith-based organization whose mission is to share God's word and His love to those who are hurting and in need. Volunteer opportunities are: to sort and hang clothes, stock food shelves, interview clients to assess their needs, and assist with clerical work.

### **Hands and Feet Christian Women's Job Corp: (CWJC)**

A ministry to provide a Christian environment in which women in need are equipped for life and employment. Volunteers will be needed to be on prayer teams, answering phones, providing lunches, mentoring, and transportation.

### **Salvation Army:**

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. Volunteers are needed to assist in preparing meals during times of Disaster Relief, Angel Tree gifts promotion and distribution, Day Camp Volunteers, and to seek donations.

### **Homeless Ministry:**

Cleburne has a growing homeless population. Volunteers would partner with other ministries such as Crossroad Church and Operation Blessing to try and meet these needs.

### **Habitat for Humanity:**

Habitat for Humanity is an organization that exists to provide affordable decent housing to hardworking families who cannot afford it. Partnering with this agency would require contacting the local representative, and discovering what projects exist in our area and coordinating times to work. These opportunities are mainly limited to construction.