

SERVE

at Forest Hills Baptist Church



SERVING AT FOREST HILLS

Thank you for taking the initiative to serve at Forest Hills Baptist Church. Service is one of the greatest privileges of a Christ-follower. The Apostle Paul stated that each Christian has been given various gifts by God for service.

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.” (2 Corinthians 12:4-6)

Peter stated that these gifts are given to serve each other.

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” (1 Peter 4:10)

Whether you serve in an age group, guest services, worship, or other ministries, you find fulfillment in serving the body of Christ in a way that fits your gifts, talents, and skills under God’s grace.

The first step to becoming a volunteer at FHBC is to complete the *Get To Know You* application. You’ll be contacted by one of our ministry leaders upon returning your completed form who will then schedule a time to meet with you personally. If you have any questions about our SERVE process, please call the church office (Monday–Friday, 8am–4:30pm) at 615.373.8074 and ask for Nan Dodd.

GETTING STARTED

- Agree with the mission and vision of Forest Hills Baptist Church
- Support church leadership
- Be faithful to attend worship services
- Complete and clear a background check for those serving with minors (under 18 years old)
- For teaching positions, you must be a member and have attended for at least three months
- Complete the application at the end of this book and return it to the church office
- Complete an in-person interview

Again, thank you for applying as a future volunteer at FHBC! Please return the completed application to the church office.

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GUEST SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS

See Jake Day For Details

PARKING LOT GREETER

With a warm smile and a wave, they welcome all those who arrive to our church and assist in helping them find a parking spot (if needed).

GOLF CART DRIVER

Offers rides, ensuring guests and members alike—especially expectant mothers, families with young children, and our older adults—get from their vehicles to the church building safely.

DOOR GREETER / INFORMATION CENTER GREETER

Offers a warm welcome to all who enter the church building. Greeters provide helpful information to those needing it, guide guests to their desired locations when necessary, and ensure that our entry ways are presentable to the public.

USHER / OFFERING COLLECTOR

Welcome people to church and help them find a seat. Assist in collecting the offering.

WRITER / EDITOR / PROOFREADER *See Savannah Ivey For Details*

Ensures that the information we communicate through print and electronic avenues is compelling, creative, effective—and most importantly—accurate and error-free.

PHOTOGRAPHY TEAM

In addition to capturing quality candid images of our church family on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings (as needed), members of FHBC's Photography Team make sure all FHBC events are photographed for use in communications media.

PRESCHOOL

See Meg Moore For Details

BABY ROOM

Cares for infants and connects with their families. Provides care for infants in a secure environment so guardians can participate in small groups and worship.

EXTENDED TEACHING CARE LEADER

Teaches preschoolers (one year olds—Pre K) and connects with their families. Implements activities that teach and reteach the Bible stories that foster spiritual growth of the children.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADER

Teaches preschoolers (one year olds—Pre K) and connects with their families. Implements activities that teach and reteach the Bible stories that foster spiritual growth of the children.

WIGGLE WORSHIP LEADER

Wiggle Worship is a preschool worship service incorporating instruments and movement. This takes place during the 11am Extended Teaching Care hour.

WELCOME DESK

Greets first-time guests and guides them through the security procedures that are in place. It's important that parents have a good first impression of Forest Hills Baptist Church. We want them to feel secure in leaving their children in the hands of our staff and volunteers!

HALLWAY COORDINATOR

Makes sure all Extended Teaching Care and Sunday School leaders are in place. Assists leaders with needed supplies and other assistance in their classroom.

MISSION FRIENDS LEADER

On Wednesday nights, children learn about missionaries and unreached people groups. Leaders teach them about different cultures and will coordinate one mission opportunity per semester.

PAID CHILDCARE

There are paid childcare opportunities at Forest Hills Baptist Church during special events, Bible studies, annual trainings and seminars.

CHILDREN

See Beth Howe For Details

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

Leads and teaches an age-graded class where children participate in in-depth Bible study.

DISCIPLE U LEADER

A discipleship program for children with a blend of music and missions education. Children are taught to be true worshippers with opportunities to lead in our services and taught to be on mission with lots of missions opportunities – local and abroad – through the basis of Pray, Give, Go.

SPECIAL EVENT LEADER

Not able to commit to a weekly commitment? FHBC Children are in need of adults who can lead at special events. It might mean a short term Bible study commitment, preteen retreat, day camp, or other outreach events.

STUDENTS

See Keiron Miles or Mallory Bagwell For Details

SUNDAY MORNING LEADER

Disciples students through Bible study each week. Using the provided Bible Study curriculum, leaders encourage students to not just know the Bible, but to believe the truth of God's love, expressed through His Word, is the only hope for them and others.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LEADER

Leads students and facilitates spiritual discussions rooted in Scripture. Wednesday CONNECT is a place for students to engage the Bible for real-life application. Leaders will relate the Bible to real-life experiences so students can grow in a practical and powerful faith.

D-GROUP LEADER

Each Fall (Oct-Nov) and Spring (March-April) FHBC Student Ministry will offer elective D-Group Bible Studies. These are held on Sunday nights and are approximately 6 weeks in length. Leaders prepare, teach and disciple students through Bible study curriculum chosen by the Student Ministry team. The curriculum is relevant to developing students to know and follow Christ.

SPECIAL EVENT LEADER

Not able to commit to a weekly student program? FHBC Students are in need of adults who can lead students for special events. It might mean a short-term Bible study commitment, retreat, camp, mission trip or outreach event.

ADULTS

See Jeff Bowden or Pamela Hall For Details

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

Facilitates and leads a Sunday morning group in Bible study, undergirding the strategy of the church to “seek, grow, and send.”

DISCIPLESHIP LEADER

Leads short-term discipleship group in Bible study to grow individuals.

CELEBRATORS (SENIOR ADULT) MINISTRY

Coordinates fellowships, trips, and service opportunities for senior adults.

YOUNG ADULTS *See Matt Longworth For Details*

Hosts/leads/teaches the 18–mid-30s demographic through single or married Sunday School Classes, Young Singles Community Group, or different events.

MEN’S MINISTRY

Ministers to men of all ages in all circumstances, encouraging them in their Christian faith and equipping them for ministry where they live and work.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY

Ministers to women of all ages in all circumstances, encouraging them in their Christian faith and equipping them for ministry where they live and work.

DECISION COUNSELORS

Decision Counselors assist the pastors during the time of invitation as well as be available after the worship services to listen, counsel, and pray with people seeking spiritual assistance.

WORSHIP

See Wayne Causey (Sanctuary), Matt Longworth (ELEVATE), or Camden Hutcheson (AV) For Details

SANCTUARY WORSHIP CHOIR

Provides musical and inspirational leadership for the congregational singing in our services of worship each Sunday morning!

SANCTUARY ORCHESTRA

Joins with the pianist and organist in providing beautiful and artistic accompaniment for congregational singing in our services of worship!

ELEVATE VOCAL TEAM

Helps facilitate an engaging worship experience by leading in musical worship with other vocalists, our worship leader, and band.

ELEVATE BAND

Assists in leading contemporary worship by utilizing your gifts with an instrument.

ELEVATE PRAISE CHOIR

Helps lead in worship by participating in our ELEVATE Praise Choir that sings a few times a year, usually on special Sundays like Easter.

AVL MINISTRY (AUDIO, VIDEO/LYRICS, AND LIGHTING)

Creates an impactful environment for people to engage in worship by assisting in the execution of the production of our Sanctuary and ELEVATE worship services.

BAPTISM MINISTRY

Assists candidates in preparing for baptism.

LORD’S SUPPER MINISTRY

Prepares, sets up and cleans supplies and materials needed to administer the Lord’s Supper in all worship services.

WORSHIP (CONT.)

DECORATION/FLOWER MINISTRY

Coordinates and prepares the flower placement and seasonal decorations in the church Sanctuary and ELEVATE worship space and assists with other events.

CHILDREN'S AND PRESCHOOL CHOIR

Provides preschoolers through fifth graders with the opportunity to use their heart, mind, body and voice to make music in praise and worship to God. Experiences in music are the tools we use for teaching spiritual truths, laying a foundation for corporate and private worship.

MISSIONS

See Chad Mize For Details

LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNERS

Serves with one of our ENGAGE Ministry Partners in our city as they minister to various segments of ministry in the name of Jesus. The spectrum of ministry ranges from homelessness to addiction recovery to crisis pregnancy to refugee resettlement. Visit fhbc.org/ministries/missions/local-ministry-partners/ for a description of each of these.

WINGS MINISTRY TO REFUGEES AND INTERNATIONALS

Makes disciples in the international community through Bible studies, intentional relationships and boys' and girls' events.

FREEDOM CHOIR AT TUSCULUM HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

Serves weekly with children from varying nations of origin as the gospel is taught and memorized through music. The choir culminates each June in a week-long camp called the Freedom Music School where additional volunteers are needed as well.

MISSIONS (CONT.)

TENNESSEE ARAB AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP CENTER

Tutors and childcare volunteers are needed each Tuesday-Thursday (women in mornings/men in evenings) as Gospel-centered relationships are built through teaching English and citizenship classes.

LEGACY MISSION VILLAGE

Volunteers are needed to serve as mentors, career speakers and general volunteers with the Journey after-school program at Overton High School.

TUSCULUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We need tutors and general classroom support to serve at Tusculum Elementary School.

PROJECT SHARE

Women join together as a task-oriented, creative community to support the various missions and activities of FHBC through sewing, knitting, crocheting and other skills.

ROOM IN THE INN MINISTRY

Provides the gift of hospitality to men of Nashville's homeless community through the citywide Room in the Inn ministry.

MISSION ENGAGEMENTS

Serves in a short-term capacity alongside our church planters and missionaries across the US and around the world. Service opportunities vary each year based on the needs of our partners and are typically announced in the fall of each year. (Application and Mission Engagement 101 Training required)

CAREER MISSIONARY SERVICE

If the Lord is possibly calling you to be a full-time missionary, we have incredible contacts and service pathways through our cooperative support of the International Mission Board.

SERVICE MINISTRIES

BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

Assesses benevolence needs and determines the best way to address those needs and administers the Seminary Scholarship.

BEREAVEMENT CARE MINISTRY

Shows compassion, love and encouragement by coming alongside people experiencing the death of a loved one.

COFFEE MINISTRY

Prepares and serves coffee and tea on Sunday mornings in fellowship areas of the church building.

COUNT TEAM

Counts the Sunday offering and prepares for deposit. Rotating team that serves about every 8 weeks. Keeps strict confidentiality and enjoys numbers.

DIVORCECARE + DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS MINISTRIES

See Barney Self For Details

Comes alongside hurting people through their divorce process, sharing the love and grace of Jesus Christ as their source for healing.

GRIEFSHARE

Comes alongside hurting people through their grieving process, sharing the love and grace of Jesus Christ as their source for healing.

IN-HOME MINISTRY *See Margaret Carden For Details*

People who visit members who are homebound or live in a care facility.

Visits are made on a monthly basis.

ENRICHMENT CENTER MINISTRY *See Morlee Maynard For Details*

Coordinates and maintains the FHBC library by selecting and preparing titles for shelving and promoting their use.

SERVICE MINISTRIES (CONT.)

LOAVES AND FISHES

Demonstrates Christ's love and concern by providing meals to families experiencing difficult times, particularly those who do not have a church home. Meals are made by this team and distributed by the congregation.

OFFICE VOLUNTEER *See Jennifer Chambers For Details*

Helps answer phones on Tuesday mornings during staff meeting and occasionally during offsite staff events. Provides help with special projects as needed.

PRAYER MINISTRY *See Lee Boggs For Details*

Provides a 24 hour / 7 day a week prayer line, manned by prayer intercessors who answer the prayer line, write "prayergrams" notes to those who have submitted prayer requests, and prays for those requesting prayer.

SAFETY TEAM *See Sam Bowman For Details*

Promotes a safe, welcoming atmosphere and environment of comfort, worship, growth, refuge, and learning for FHBC members and visitors that enter our facility and attend FHBC events.

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

Provides a welcoming, loving, and encouraging place for those with special needs to learn about God and His love, and to encounter leaders, teachers and members that reflect that love. Contact appropriate age-group minister to learn more.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CASHIER

Collects money for Wednesday Night Meals. This person should enjoy greeting and getting to know people.

“GET TO KNOW YOU” APPLICATION

Your completed application will be guarded with utmost confidentiality. Answers will not necessarily disqualify you from service and are not necessarily requirements.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Last Name, First Name

Address

City, Zip

Cell Phone

Home Phone

Date of Birth

Email

Male Female

Marital Status

Spouse's Name (if applies)

Anniversary Date

Number of Children (if applies)

Occupation

The best way to contact me is: Cell Phone Home Phone Email

CHRISTIAN AND MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

How would you describe your faith journey with Jesus Christ?

Accepted as Lord & Savior Still Seeking Unsure

Explain _____

As a follower of Jesus Christ, explain your baptism experience...

Have not been Baptized By Immersion Sprinkled Other

Explain _____

Yes No Are you a member of Forest Hills Baptist Church?

Yes No Do you regularly attend Forest Hills? If so, how long have you been attending? _____

Yes No Have you ever been involved in volunteer service in a church or ministry?

If yes, what areas of volunteer service have you been involved in and what church or ministry?

List any spiritual gifts, talents, training, education, or other experiences which have prepared you for Christian service.

Do you have any limitations or conditions (i.e. physical, emotional, availability) of which we need to be aware?

List other churches you have attended regularly during the past few years.

Church Name _____ City / State _____

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DOCTRINAL BELIEFS

Forest Hills adopted and follows the 2000 Baptist Faith and Message as our doctrinal statement. To learn more, please visit our website at: fhbc.org/about-us/our-beliefs

WHICH VOLUNTEER POSITIONS INTEREST YOU?

GUEST SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS

- Parking Lot Greeter
- Usher / Offering Collector
- Golf Cart Driver
- Writer / Editor / Proofreader
- Door Greeter / Information Center Greeter
- Photography Team

PRESCHOOL

- Baby Room
- Welcome Desk
- Extended Teaching Care Leader
- Hallway Coordinator
- Sunday School Leader
- Mission Friends Leader
- Wiggle Worship Leader
- Paid Childcare Worker

CHILDREN

- Sunday School Teacher
- Special Event Leader
- Disciple U Leader

STUDENTS

- Sunday Morning Leader
- D-Group Leader
- Wednesday Night Leader
- Special Event Leader

ADULTS

- Sunday School Teacher
- Men's Ministry
- Discipleship Leader
- Women's Ministry
- Celebrators Ministry
- Decision Counselors
- Young Adults

WORSHIP

- Sanctuary Worship Choir
- Sanctuary Orchestra
- ELEVATE Vocal Team
- ELEVATE Band
- ELEVATE Praise Choir
- Baptism Team
- AVL Ministry
(Audio/Video/Lyrics/Lighting)
- Lord's Supper Ministry
- Decoration / Flower Ministry
- Children's and Preschool Choir

MISSIONS

- Local Ministry Partners
- Wings Ministry to Refugees and Internationals
- Freedom Choir at Tusculum Hills Baptist Church
- Tennessee Arab American Friendship Center
- Legacy Mission Village
- Tusculum Elementary School
- Project Share
- Room in the Inn Ministry
- Mission Engagements
- Career Missionary Service

SERVICE MINISTRIES

- Benevolence Committee
- Bereavement Care Ministry
- Coffee Ministry
- Count Team
- DivorceCare & DivorceCare for Kids Ministry
- GriefShare
- In-Home Ministry
- Enrichment Center Ministry
- Loaves and Fishes
- Office Volunteer
- Prayer Ministry
- Safety Team
- Special Needs Ministry
- Wednesday Night Cashier



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