Ceres Church Ministry Opportunities

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The following ministries are listed in alphabetical order; each is important.

Banner Hanger: Very often we have banners to hang out front for events. We are looking for someone who likes a behind the scenes job. If you are willing to hang the banners please let the church office know. Occasionally we have issues with high winds that pull the banners down and they need to be repaired and put back up. This job requires climbing a two-step ladder, that we have available in the church office.

Bible Studies- The Great Commission: The pastoral team needs your help to give Bible studies to those who have requested to learn more about Jesus. There are many people who have requested personal Bible studies. We have 2 binders full of people on our interest lists. Some have requested studies, others have visited our church for various programs. The pastors cannot get to them all; it's just too many. Can you imagine that? We have people requesting to know more about Jesus and not enough people to teach them. Remember when Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, **baptizing them** in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19)", that was for ALL OF US. It is time for each of us to step out of our comfort zones and start sharing what we know. Please talk to one of the pastors if you are ready to start sharing the wonderful message of Jesus to the world that is seeking to know Him.

Handy Men: We are always in need of someone to call to repair toilet, leaking sinks and other small repair or install projects. If you can help with this, please contact the church office or Allen Hinkelman.

Health Ministries, Part 1: We recently surveyed the congregation to find out what types of health programs would be of interest to the community. The results are interesting. You may view those results on our Facebook page and posted in the church lobby. Our health ministry will do it's best to get some of these programs started. If you or someone you know would be a good instructor for one these top five requests, please talk to Kara Claridge in the church office.

- 1. Walking club
- 2. Hiking Club
- 3. Gardening Club
- 4. Weight Loss Program
- 5. Vegan Baking Class

Health Ministries, Part 2- Life Hope Center Dental Clinic, January 14, 2017: Our church will be hosting a Life Hope Center dental clinic in January. How You Can Help? To help provide the much needed care services to the large number of expected people, we need volunteer dental and medical professionals, including general dentists, oral surgeons, dental hygienists and dental assistants. Additionally, community volunteers are needed to assist with registration, clinic setup, data entry, escorting people, translating and much more.

Life Hope Center's services include dental extractions, fillings, cleanings, oral health all at no cost to the individual.

Health Fair Coordinating Team: We are planning a Health Fair October 1, 2017. If you would like to be on the committee for the Health Fair, please contact Kara. Health care professionals, we can't do this without you.

Man Power Ministry: It seems that we are always in need of "man power" to move equipment, tables and chairs, often during the week. If you are willing to be on call with your muscles, please let us know!

Visitation Team: This ministry of visiting people in their homes is vitally important to a connected church community. Contact one of our pastors or the church office if you would be willing to make some visits.

Messiah's Mansion: The desert sanctuary replica, Messiah's Mansion, will be here June 13-25. Bringing the Mansion here is a collaborative effort of about six our area Adventist churches. It is expected that hundreds of people from the community will tour the mansion. Nearly all Christian churches know something about the Sanctuary and would like to experience what it may have been like, as they learn what the services meant and how the ceremonies pointed to the life of Christ.

Your assistance is needed in many areas from set-up of the tent, June 13-16, during tours June 17-25 and tear-down June 26-27, to prayer partners, and meal preparation for those working in the sanctuary. If you would like to assist with this awesome outreach please contact the following people...

- Food: Stella James (209) 606-8508
- Set Up & Take Down: Chris & Sherri Nelson (209) 996-1738
- Prayer Team: Heidi Garcia (209) 201-9380
- Water: Sherlene Mendoza (209) 874-3551
- Parking, Greeters & Surveyors and other: Lynda Scales (209) 777-4956 or (209) 725-0914

Musicians: We have a shortage of musicians. If you have a talent in this area, we would love to know about it! There is a great need for pianists, organists & guitarists.

Praise Team Leaders: If you are willing to lead a praise team for our worship services, please let us know.

Praise Team Singers: Maybe you love to sing but are not interested in leading the praise team, please tell us and we will plug you into a team.

Rides to Church: We frequently get calls requesting a ride to church and unfortunately it is difficult to fulfill those requests. If you would willing to be to pick up someone for church, please contact the office.

Silk Plant Cleaner: Here is a great behind the scenes job! There are many silk plants at the church that need an occasional bath. If you are willing to hose them down 1-2 times a year, please let us know.

Scripture Coordinator: This is another great behind-the-scenes ministry! This person would invite church members and children to take part in the service by reading the scripture and then turn in the names to the church office on a weekly basis or make out a 1 month schedule.

Decorators for Vacation Bible School: Vacation Bible School is a wonderful and well attended ministry for our children. Yet, it takes a great effort to create a fun Bible learning environment for the kids. We will be decorating Monday, June 19, 9AM- 5PM and the rest of the week, to get ready for opening night on June 25. If you can help, please contact Kara, in the church office, or just show up to lend a hand.

VBS Team Leaders: A key element of a great VBS is the team leaders who hangout with and guide the kids from station to station. Seeking teens and young adults to mentor the children. We need about 12 teams of 2 team leaders to have a safe VBS. Please sign up with Kara! You are very important!

If you know of another area that needs assistance or have an idea for a new ministry, please let us know.