



# Pathway to serving

opportunities, contacts and Resources



Expose. Experience. Engage.

# St. Paul's

## Home Missions Outreach

God is calling us to faithfully minister to our community—calling us to faithfulness and the surrounding community to life! This packet of information is designed to help you move forward towards “giving yourself away” after the model of Christ. Jesus has laid down His life for us and calls us to take up our crosses daily and follow Him. We are heeding that call and are moving out in love toward our neighbors. It is our desire that this resource will help you find a place to serve that best fits your specific passions, gifts, and calling.

St. Paul's strives to become a church that reflects Christ's heart and call for mercy and justice. St. Paul's has been strong in discipleship and world missions, now we hope to step into the community around us, seeing the gospel progress in Central Florida. For this reason, the Home Missions committee has coordinated with these various ministries to enable you with ease to begin serving in our community.

Most are probably eager to engage! Let us encourage you to venture out boldly, and do so first in prayer.

# Expose. Experience. Engage.

**Step 1:** *Expose* – get exposure to various ministry opportunities.

This will allow you to observe, learn about, and get a sense of the vision of the particular ministry that interests you. There will be a variety of opportunities in which you can gain exposure.

*Point of Action* – Use this packet to narrow down your options and then contact the liaison for the area of service that most interests you.

**Step 2:** Gain *Experience* by serving in that particular ministry.

The process of discerning God's call of where to serve is often made easier when you have an opportunity to serve without making a long term commitment. Gain experience through one time projects or serving a few times in various ministries.

*Point of Action* – Select a ministry that offers an opportunity to meet needs in an area that interests you, contact the ministry liaison and schedule a few opportunities to serve.

**Step 3:** *Engage* by prayerfully making a longer term commitment to serve. By serving for 6 months or a year in one ministry you will be able to engage in the lives of those who are served by the ministry as well as minister through your own specific passions, gifts, and calling.

*Point of Action* – Contact the ministry liaison or ministry that you've been working through, and express to them your desire to engage by serving on a longer term basis.



## Directory of serving opportunities

The following pages include a listing of opportunities and organizations with whom St. Paul's Church has an established connection, as well as, additional organizations that we view as being strategic.

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# Prayer Ministry

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Contact: Chris Hayes  
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Our desire is to lay a foundation and a covering of prayer over all of our church's efforts that the Lord's will may be done on earth as it is in heaven, the work of His Spirit transforming the whole of our lives, communities and the nations for His glory.

*Opportunity:* Join us for prayer Sunday evenings at 5pm in the church library... but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. (Philippians 4:6)

# Mom to Mom

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Mom to Mom

Contact: Donna Love and Marjean Ingram  
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Following the example given in Titus chapter 2, Mom to Mom is a ministry where past, present, future, and maybe someday moms come together to share their experience and inexperience and minister to one another. Mom to Mom typically meets the last Tuesday of each month for dinner, fellowship, and a lesson or program discussing various issues of motherhood.

*Opportunity:* All moms are encouraged to invite neighbors and friends to this time of biblical teaching and Christian fellowship. Also, older moms have a great opportunity to serve the younger moms of our congregation through encouragement and wisdom.

# Eli Street Neighborhood Outreach



*Contact: Jonathan Iverson  
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It is our passion to be engaged in real ministry to real people for the sake of Christ and for the expansion of his kingdom. Mindful of the biblical pattern of casting a broad net and leaving the results to God, we intend to pursue this by actively seeking out opportunities for ministry within the immediate geographical area where God has chosen to place St. Paul's Church.

*Opportunity:* We hope to introduce ourselves to new neighbors by means of a door-step visit and to communicate to them that we are a caring community of believers who want to be good neighbors and friends to them. Anticipating that many will be found in great need of the gospel of Christ and mercy ministries, the second phase will involve responding in meaningful ways to special needs and in evangelistic follow-up.

# Helping Hands



*Contact: Mike Scholz  
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Helping Hands is a ministry that works to repair, restore, and when necessary, rebuild, homes in the Eatonville community. The project involves 10 area churches coming together to serve those with the greatest needs in this neighborhood by improving their living conditions.

*Opportunity:* Volunteers of all ages and skill levels are needed to help with these projects. Please visit the website for a list of current projects and contact Mike Scholz for more information.

# True Life Choice

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True Life Choice Women's Center is a crisis pregnancy center that provides counsel and care to women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant and in need of help regarding their decision. Pregnancy tests, medical and prenatal referrals, emergency diapers, gently used baby clothes and maternity clothes are available to those who come to the Center. TLC also offers "Healing Grace," a program designed to help those women who have had an abortion (also available to men).

Opportunity: volunteer at the center in many different needed capacities; monetary and supply donations are always needed.

# Sidewalk Ministry / Pro Life Action Ministries

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Contact: Judy Johnson

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Pro-Life Action Ministries is dedicated to upholding the dignity and value that is found in all human life by virtue of being created in the image and likeness of the living God. Our work is to do all we prayerfully can, within the Gospel values of holiness and justice, to protect innocent human beings from being killed through abortion, infanticide or euthanasia.

Opportunity: Sidewalk counseling, prayer vigils, ministry volunteer. Join members of St. Paul's the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month for our sidewalk ministry. Check the bulletin for place and time.

# Marketplace Ministries

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Contact: Bob Ingram and Owen Matthews  
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At St. Paul's we desire to equip and prepare those in the marketplace for ministry to their peers. Through Bible studies, discipleship groups and mentoring opportunities, we hope to create occasions for sharing the Gospel within the workplace.

*Opportunity:* If you are interested in beginning a bible study or discipleship group at your business or workplace, please contact us about resources available for you.

# Job Partnerships

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For more information:

[www.bridgebuilding.orangewood.org](http://www.bridgebuilding.orangewood.org)

Jobs Partnership applies an innovative approach to workforce development that provides a lasting solution to the challenges of insecurity, low self-esteem, and inconsistent work ethic in today's workplace. The success of this unique ministry comes by training people and building strategic relationships with businesses ready to hire the graduates. Job Partnership trains people on work-relevant biblical principles that result in changes of heart that improve both their performance and their attitudes towards work. The LIFE & WORK curriculum is a 12 week course 2 nights a week.

*Opportunity:* Volunteers are needed to serve as life class counselors, mentors, and resume and interview coaches. Please see the material on the website for more information.

# Restore Orlando

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Contact: Owen Matthews, Dennis Tracy  
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Restore's primary target area is the Holden Heights area, which covers approximately 180 blocks in unincorporated Orange County. Just a mile and a half from downtown Orlando, the area is uniquely challenged facing the realities of poverty in its many forms: sub-standard nutrition, poorly educated populous, inadequate housing, environmental maladies and little or no political influence. The manifestation of these realities gives way to hopelessness, despair and a cycle of poverty.

Opportunity: serve as an aid to the Kindergarten teacher, assist in the after-school program and "kids café" which serves nutritious meals after-school, provide after-school transportation, serve as a tutor or mentor; additionally, financial help is needed to support and sustain this ministry.

# Fresh Start Ministries

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Contact: Dorothy Keller

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Fresh Start Ministries of Central Florida, Inc. provides affordable residential treatment through a transitional home for men recovering from life controlling problems, most often substance abuse. This "regeneration" process uses a strong biblical foundation to teach communication and relational skills, hearty

individual and family values and the foundation of the Christian life, thereby strengthening their moral and social values. Fresh Start is located in the College Park Area.

*Opportunity:* male volunteers to lead Bible studies and classes on interviewing, hygiene, or other life skills; once a month donated meals to serve 50 residents; donations of food, clothing, personal hygiene products, etc.; Financial Donations to offset construction of new building and program costs and donated labor for various stages of construction.

## Full Pardon Ministries

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**Full Pardon Ministries**  
Providing Christian Counseling and  
Discipleship Training for the Incarcerated

Contact: John Casto  
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Full Pardon Ministries is a jail/prison counseling and discipleship training service to the incarcerated. The mission of Full Pardon Ministries is to bring hope to the inmate through the Gospel, so that he might realize the joy of walking with the Lord despite his circumstances, thereby allowing the "Truth" of the Gospel to influence the lives of others within and outside the prison walls.

*Opportunity:* Men—you can become a volunteer counselor/discipleship trainer @ Tomoka Correctional Institution or in the Orange and or Seminole County Jails. Women—we would like to offer written Bible Studies which inmates complete, made up of multiple choice, true/false, and short fill-in the blank questions. We will need graders for these studies.

Other opportunities to connect and serve:

caleb's Pilgrims Feed a Family

campus crusade High School Ministry

child Evangelism Fellowship

central Florida Help Line

RUF ministry at UCF

The Geneva School

Please contact St. Paul's Church office for more details on any of the ministries listed above and throughout this handbook.