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Ministry

A PUBLICATION OF SHANDON BAPTIST CHURCH

Opportunities

“...to know, love, and enjoy the living God
and each other.”

A Letter from Our Pastor

Shandon is a great place to love and worship God. We believe in connecting people with God and with others so that lives may be changed and relationships developed. Our mission statement says it well...“to help as many as possible know, love, and enjoy the Living God and each other.” With a focus like this, Shandon is a church full of opportunities to serve God and others. We believe that when you serve God faithfully, you will experience great joy and abundant living.

God’s word speaks directly to the area of service. In Deuteronomy 10:12, He explained the requirement of service. In the New Testament, He also promised that we would each be blessed with certain gifts that would equip us to serve effectively. We know that God has called us to serve, but where?

This brochure outlines the many opportunities that are available for you to serve at Shandon Baptist Church. With multiple worship services and Sunday School hours, it is very convenient for everyone to find a place. You can worship, participate in your own Sunday School class, and serve without giving up a thing. Some service opportunities require a weekly commitment, others only once a month. Regardless of where you serve, it is important that you do serve.

We’ll provide the information, training, and encouragement you need. You will work alongside people just like you. You’ll find a tremendous blessing in service and see tangible evidence of God’s hand at work in the lives of His people.

Take a few minutes and read through this brochure. Call the church office or any minister and let them know you are interested and willing to serve. We’ll be in touch.

Dick Lincoln

Children's Ministry Areas of Service

- **Sunday Morning Age Director**

(Administrator/Server)

Guides and oversees teachers in the use of curriculum and resources for the assigned age area.

- **Sunday Morning Classroom Teacher**

(Teacher/Pastor-shepherd/Server/Exhorter)

Plans and carries out Sunday curriculum and provides a safe environment for our preschoolers to grow spiritually and play.

- **Sunday Morning Small Group Leader**

(Teacher/Pastor-shepherd/Server)

Guides a group of 6 to 8 K-5th graders during small group Bible study time.

- **Sunday Morning Worship Leader**

(Teacher/Exhorter)

Provides a fun and exciting worship experience for K-5th graders in a large group setting.

- **Sunday Morning Apprentice**

(Teacher/Pastor-shepherd/Server/Exhorter)

Works with a trained teacher to develop classroom skills.

- **Sunday Morning Student Apprentice**

(Server) Assists classroom teacher. Must attend Sunday Morning Youth Bible Study and obtain parental permission.

- **AWANA Age Director**

(Administrator/Server)

Guides teachers for assigned age area during team times and leads large group Bible teaching for age area.

Children's Ministry (cont.)

- **AWANA Team Leader**

(Teacher/Pastor-shepherd/Server/Exhorter)

Leads a team of children in Scripture memory and classroom activities during team time.

- **AWANA Team Assistant**

(Teacher/Server)

Assists the team leader in carrying out classroom activities during team time.

- **AWANA Worship Team**

(Teacher/Exhorter)

Provides a fun and exciting worship experience for K-5th graders in a large group setting. Guides preschoolers in a worship experience within each individual team.

- **AWANA Game Leader**

(Teacher/Server)

Plans and implements game time for K-5th graders during AWANA game time.

- **SPOTS (A spot of refreshments for moms)**

(Server/Administrator/Exhorter/Evangelist)

Opportunities to greet, lead crafts, host, or mentor moms of young children.

- **Blessed Beginnings**

(Mercy-shower/Exhorter)

Ministers by praying for expecting parents and new babies, and assists with Parent-Child Dedication.

Children's Ministry (cont.)

- **VBS Volunteer**

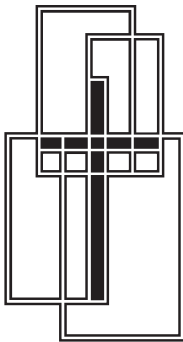
(Server/Teacher/Exhorter/Evangelist)

Teaches crafts, recreation, music, or in a classroom for one week during the summer.

- **Employed Teacher**

(Teacher)

Paid teachers provide children's programming to our church family. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age. Day and evening hours are available.



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Students(Grades 6-12) Ministry Areas of Service

- **Sunday School Leaders**

These leaders are very important in helping create a strong spiritual foundation in each student. These are a variety of leadership positions from hands-on teaching to administrative positions. We are committed to teaching God's Word practically and assisting students apply it to their lives.

- **Refuge Leaders**

These leaders help create an atmosphere where students feel welcome and invited to worship God with their peers. Each Wednesday night, students have a time of worship and fellowship together along with small group opportunities.

- **Cross Training Leaders**

These leaders are college-age and lead students in an intensive, 24-week Bible study curriculum. These leaders are responsible for encouraging our students to dig deeper into God's Word and apply it to their lives.

- **Outreach Leaders**

These leader help assist our students who desire to reach out to students in our community who need a relationship with Christ and desire a church home.

College Ministry Areas of Service

- **Student Leadership**

College students are encouraged to use their God-given gifts, and become a part of a wonderful ministry with many facets. Leadership is not limited to being a *discussion leader* on Sunday mornings. The college ministry needs *greeters, people to give out nametags, hand out refreshments, tech support personnel, and students to drive our shuttle*, which picks up students from the Russell House each Sunday. Leadership is not limited to Sundays. There are opportunities to help *plan events*, including retreats and tailgates. We need graphically gifted people to help *design banners, posters, and flyers and help maintain our website*. If your gift is administration, there are many opportunities to help *organize lists* and help to *set up for Sunday mornings*. Students are needed for outreach to *contact students who have visited* each week. Whatever your gift, we have a place for you.

- **Adult Leadership**

For adults who feel called to minister to students, there are many ways to become involved in the lives of our students. Some adults lead, or co-lead, *discipleship groups*. Some adults are "*zone leaders*" who help guide our student table facilitators, and help them to keep in touch with students at their tables weekly. Adult leaders can *plan events* for their "*zones*," like meeting for lunch after church, or having them to their home to have dinner and watch a movie. The main goal of our ministry is to *develop a sense of community*. Our adult leaders are a vital part of achieving this goal.

- **Missions**

Each year, the college ministry goes to Slovakia to minister in the youth summer camps. Camp activities include Bible study, English curriculum, crafts, and sports. Our main goal is to establish relationships with the Slovak youth, and to be able to talk with them about their relationships to Christ. Each student must raise his or her own money to cover travel and housing

College (cont.)

expenses. If you are seeking a life changing experience, as well as helping to change another's life, consider going with us on our mission trip to Slovakia.

- **Men's & Women's Discipleship Leaders**

We have opportunities for both, students and adults to serve as discipleship leaders. Having a large college ministry gives us the challenge of helping students develop close relationships. Discipleship groups are a way for students to get to know one another better, as well as develop a close relationship to Christ. Discipleship groups meet once a week and are gender specific.

- **Special Event Coordinators**

Being a large ministry means many events to plan, and that means needing student and adult volunteers to help. We tailgate at all the USC home games and hold spring and fall retreats each year. Our ministry helps with the annual Valentine's Banquet, plans Super Bowl parties, and has other events throughout the year, including our annual oyster roast. With so many students, event coordinators help our events to run smoothly and help everyone to have a great time of fun and fellowship.

- **Sunday Lunch Helpers**

Each month, the college ministry has a free lunch, and all college students are invited! We need people to help prepare the meal, help to set up the serving tables, and help to clean up afterwards. Our lunches provide another great way for students to get to know one another. Lunches are held in the gym, immediately following the Contemporary Worship Service.

Single Adult Ministry Areas of Service

- **Creative**

(Teacher/Exhorter/Administrator)

Can you look at a situation and see things differently than other people? Do you have the ability to think “outside the box?” If you answered, “yes” to those questions but have always wondered what ministry might benefit from your skills, well here is your answer. The Creative Team is a group of artist and thinkers who gather to evaluate how we as ministry might be more effective or creative. They assist in many things, including: helping teachers find creative methods to deliver a lesson, work to develop logos, publications, and group themes.

- **Inreach**

(Exhorter/Pastor-Shepherd/Teacher/Mercy-Shower)

Does care and compassion for others consume much of your thought? If so, Inreach might be a good place for you. As a member of the Inreach Team you will help assure that all of our members stay connected to the Body. Each member of this team is given a small number of members who they contact and pray for on a monthly basis.

- **Greeters**

(Mercy-Shower/Server)

Everyone enjoys a smile and a warm welcome. If that sounds like something you can't help but do, then you might be interested in being a greeter. Greeters are an essential part of creating a healthy Sunday Morning atmosphere. By being a part of the Greeting Team you will help foster an environment that both welcomes visitors and assimilates members.

- **Outreach**

(Exhorter / Evangelist / Server)

Are you a person who has never met a stranger and loves sharing your love for Christ and His Church? Then you might be perfect for the Outreach Team. Each week we receive visitors, and it is essential that we attempt to connect with them on a personal level outside of the church walls. As part of this team,

Single Adult (cont.)

you will be assigned weekly visitors to follow-up with and answer any questions they might have.

- **Prayer** *(Exhorter / Administrator / Mercy-Shower/ Prophet)*
Serving on the Prayer Team is one of the most “behind the scenes” ministries that we have. However, it is one of the most impactful. If prayer is a passion of yours, then this team might be right for you. Team members are encouraged to actively engage by being involved in the church’s prayer ministry, praying specifically for the needs of the ministry and its members, along with working as a group to develop new methods of enhancing prayer throughout the ministry.
 - **Service** *(Giver / Server / Administrator / Mercy-Shower)*
“Some people have a heart that yearns to serve others.” If that statement is true about you then you should join the Service Team. The Service Team is responsible for finding, planning, and executing all of the ministries social events.
 - **Social** *(Administrator / Hospitality / Server)*
If you are person who loves to plan or be creative, the Social Team would love for you to join them. The Social Team is responsible for creating, planning, and executing all of the ministries social events.
 - **Teachers** *(Teacher / Pastor-Shepherd / Prophet / Exhorter)*
If you love to study God’s Word and figure out ways to deliver it to His people, while creating life applicable lessons? If so, you might be a fit for teaching. We have opportunities for teaching on Sunday morning and during the week.
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Married Adult Ministry Areas of Service

- **Class Greeter** *(Mercy-Shower/ Server)*

Being a class greeter is a great way to get to know the people in your class. Initiate a positive experience by welcoming members and guests to Sunday morning Bible Study. It only takes a few minutes each Sunday but will leave lasting impressions.
 - **Records Coordinator** *(Administrator/ Server)*

If you like details, making sure every 'i' is dotted and every 't' is crossed, – then the records coordinator position could be for you. The records coordinator is the primary link between your department and the Sunday School records in the church office. The records coordinator completes the necessary department records each week and fills out the paperwork to enroll and transfer members. This position is the one to keep you 'in the know.'
 - **Fellowship Coordinator** *(Administrator/Hospitality)*

Each married adult department builds relationships through fellowships during the year. These are anything from a luncheon after church, to a Christmas or Valentine's Day party, or maybe just a night at the movies. Put your social skills to use and help build friendships that will last an eternity.
 - **Care Group Leader** *(Exhorter/Pastor-Shepherd/Teacher)*

Care group leaders stay in touch with 5-8 families on a monthly basis. Maybe it is a note or a call, sometimes to check on needs and prayer requests, but always to let them know we care. Being a care group leader gives you wonderful opportunities to really get to know and care for those in your class.
 - **Prayer Coordinator** *(Exhorter/Administrator/Mercy-Shower)*

The prayer coordinator works to help develop and deepen the prayer life of the individual department members as well as the department as a whole. The prayer coordinator records and compiles prayer requests on Sunday mornings from class
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Married Adults (cont.)

members and commits to pray during the week. All that is required is a willing spirit.

- **Class Outreach Leader**

(Exhorter/Evangelist/Server/Administrator)

Each week dozens of people visit our church and Sunday School for the first time. The Class Outreach Leader coordinates the classes efforts to contact guests after their initial visit. These contacts are crucial in helping those that are brand new to Shandon make connections to a small group and feel at home.

- **Teacher**

(Teacher/Pastor-Shepherd/Prophet/Exhorter)

Teaching God's Word is one of the six Core Values to a great Sunday School. We try to facilitate life-changing Bible study each Sunday morning. If you feel God's call to teach in the Sunday School, we can equip you to excel in this responsibility. It is a great challenge and opportunity to serve God. The teacher serves as a co-shepherd of the SS class and a lay spiritual leader.

- **Associate Director**

(Administrator/Server)

The associate director not only assists the department director, but also coordinates and recruits the care group leaders for the class. This person provides encouragement, leadership and support within the married adult department.

- **Department/Class Director** *(Administrator/Server)*

The Department Director is the administrative leader and co-shepherd of the Sunday School class. The Director works in conjunction with the Married Adult Minister towards implementing church objectives in discipleship, evangelism, prayer and missions. The Married Adult director is part of the leadership team that enlists and encourages all the volunteer positions mentioned above. This is a great way to serve the Lord with your leadership and organizational skills.

Married Adults (cont.)

- **Senior Adults**

The Legacy Builders of Shandon Baptist Church has as its purpose to serve, not to be served. We believe God is calling us to take His love in concrete ways to the unchurched senior adults in our community, as well as to extend the love of God and the love of the family of God to those within the church. These goals will be accomplished through regular planned activities and emphases, with the anticipated result of God's blessing and people coming to Christ and the church. By-products of these activities will be spiritual growth, koinonia, social and recreational development.

- **Women's Ministry**

(Any gift)

The Women's Ministry at Shandon is a vibrant part of our church community. Our Ladies Night Out events draw over 300 women for food, fellowship, and spiritual renewal. Ongoing missions' events and projects provide opportunities to serve the church, our community and missionary women around the world. We offer a variety of Bible studies, both morning and evening to provide spiritual growth and cultivate lasting friendships. The Women's Ministry at Shandon is an exciting springboard to grow into the women God intended us to be.

- **Men's Ministry**

(Any gift)

Develops and coordinates programs designed to help men grow spiritually and challenging them in their walk with the Lord. Emphasis will be placed on small groups, as well as several churchwide events during the year.

Technical Ministry Areas of Service

- **Audio-Visual**

The Audio-Visual Ministry needs volunteers to operate lighting for services and special events, to assemble and project words on the screen for hymns and choruses, and to set up and run sound systems for special gatherings, worship services, and special events.

- **Music**

Camera Operators, Worship Graphics Support

Tech Support help is needed in the children's and youth areas: sound, lights, worship graphics, setup and tear down teams.



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Prayer Ministry Areas of Service

- **The Prayer Room**

The prayer room is a 24/7 intercessory prayer ministry focused on the prayer needs of the community and our church members. Church members volunteer to serve one hour per week by praying for various requests including those that are urgent, critical, or ongoing. Intercessors have a unique opportunity to minister to others while also growing their prayer life and faith as they see God at work first hand.

- **In the GAPS (Growing a Praying Shandon)**

This group meets weekly to pray for Shandon and all of the ministries of the church. Their passion is to see Shandon grow in its overall prayer life and see God at work within the church. Being a part of this group will energize your prayer life and faith.

- **Worship Prayer Teams**

Each Sunday, people can be a part of a Worship prayer team that prays during a worship service. The goal of this group is to pray for our Pastor as he speaks, those who do not know Christ, visitors to our church, the worship time, and for many other needs.

- **Shandon on Mission**

A significant number of Shandon members are on the mission field in some capacity, and it is essential to their Great Commission efforts to be lifted up in prayer. This group meets weekly to pray for Shandon's missionaries.

Music Ministry Areas of Service

- **Celebration Choir Members**

Adults ages 18 and up who love to sing a variety of styles of Christian music, helping to reach our goal of filling the choir loft for the 10:00 service. We want to grow significantly in order to have 150 singing on Sundays. This choir also presents special worship concerts at Easter and Christmas. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Worship Center.

- **Orchestra Members**

Adults and better High School age instrumentalists. The orchestra plays for the 10:00 a.m. service and performs for special programs and concerts. Rehearsals are Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in the Worship Center.

- **Accompanists**

Skilled organists, pianists, and electronic keyboard players.

- **Drama**

Adults and youth who enjoy using drama in worship, special programs and ministries.

- **Handbell Choir Members**

The Adult Mission Handbells and the Youth Handbells (5th-12th grade) prepare music for worship, special programs and outside ministries. Handbell rehearsals are on Wednesday nights, (Youth 5:00-5:45; Adults 5:45-7:00) in the Instrumental Rehearsal Room.

- **Preschool & Children's Music Leaders for AWANA**

Directors, workers, musical and non-musical helpers are all needed to help staff Awana. See more about Awana Worship Team under Children's Ministries.

Music (cont.)

- **Children's Summer Music Camp**

Requires over 60 workers to help staff a four-day music camp for 1st-6th graders. Classes include: choir, drama, dance, props, guitar, woodcrafts, recorders, sign language, orff, handchimes, autoharp, explorchestra, puppets, clowning, and stomp.
 - **Worship Teams**

Include vocalists and instrumentalists for the Contemporary Worship Service, as well as Singles, College, and Student Ministry worship teams utilized throughout the year for worship and special ministry programs.
 - **Ensembles, Quartets, Trios, Duets, Soloists**

These are short-term opportunities for choir members and worship team members to sing for worship services and special ministry events, etc.
 - **Technical Support**

Volunteers staff the lighting and audio boards, the computer projection system, and video cameras, etc., for worship services, special ministries, conferences and concerts.
 - **Artistic & Graphic Design Support**

Volunteers who are gifted as artists, seamstresses, painters, and computerized graphic artists to assist with set design, costumes, props, computer graphic visuals and publication design.
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Other Areas of Service

- **Baptism Ministry**

The Baptismal Committee prepares candidates for baptism by counseling them and helping them get ready for their baptismal service.

- **Church History Committee**

The Church History Committee keeps records and archives for the church and schedules special events to highlight the history and culture of the church for new members and guests. The Committee also maintains the History Committee file room and also the history display in Assembly Street.

- **Greeting & Parking Lot Ministry**

Greeters in the parking lots and at the main entrances to the church greet guests and church members with a warm welcoming smile as they walk through our parking areas and as they enter our church.

- **Homebound Ministry**

The Homebound Ministry provides our homebound members with a vital link to their church family as committee members visit them in their homes and deliver materials and sermon tapes and CD's to them at no cost.

- **Hospitality Committee**

The Hospitality Committee is responsible for organizing and working with all churchwide receptions (e.g., welcoming a new ministerial staff member, etc.).

- **International Ministry**

The International Ministry provides ESL classes for children and adults during the school year and acquaints them with American culture through various activities and outings, with the ultimate goal of introducing them to the claims of the gospel.

Other Areas (cont.)

- **Worship Counselors**

Worship Counselors assist individuals desiring to join our church as they respond during the invitation hymn of our worship service.

- **Other Volunteer Opportunities**

If you are interested in helping with any of the following areas of ministry, please call the church office at 782-1300 for more information.

- Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts
- Office Volunteers
- Maintenance Volunteers
- Prison Visitation

- **Heartworks**

Heartworks is a ministry dedicated to turning the hearts and lives of inner city youth and families toward Christ and academic excellence, primarily through after-school, Saturday, and summer programs. Volunteer opportunities abound: mentors for children and/or their parents, tutors, caregivers during Shandon church activities which the children attend, office volunteers, yard work, furniture delivery, interior cleaning, crafts, and weekday Bible teachers. If interested, contact Heartworks at 252-4236.

- **Military Ministry (Ft. Jackson)**

The Military Ministry at Ft. Jackson is sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ and targets new recruits and AIT's. Volunteer opportunities include: prayer partners, weekday Bible teachers, teaching assistants (administrative tasks), coffee house ministry (musicians, individuals to befriend soldiers and share the gospel if given a chance), donations of cakes, cookies, and juices for coffee house, SS classes, and Bible study graduations. If interested, contact Frank Bussey at 240-4664.

Other Areas (cont.)

- **Mission Trips**

Short-term mission trip opportunities are offered annually through our youth, college, and adult ministries.

- **Senior Adult Ministry**

The Senior Adult Ministry helps keep our Senior Adults active in the life of our church through monthly meetings and luncheons, newsletters, and other exciting events.

- **Tape Ministry**

Tape Ministry workers serve during and between worship services to copy and distribute tapes and CDs of our Pastor's sermons. They also mail tapes and CDs to those requesting them.

- **Ushers**

Ushers hand out bulletins and greet people as they enter the Worship Center for worship and special events. They also assist in seating people, taking up the offering, and trouble-shooting problems that may arise during a worship service.

- **Welcome Center**

(Mercy-Shower/Server)

Welcome guests on Sunday morning and help families find their place to experience great ministry each Sunday. Sharing answers to any questions they may have will make their first experiences enjoyable.

Other Areas (cont.)

- **Oliver Gospel Mission**

Oliver Gospel Mission provides shelter and food for homeless men, but also residency programs for men trying to break the dependency cycle. Volunteer opportunities include: meal servers, office work, processing mass mailings, skilled maintenance and handyman workers, speakers for chapel services, mentors, tutors, counselors, and weekday discipleship teachers. If interested, please contact the mission at 254-6470.

- **Daybreak Crisis Pregnancy Center**

Daybreak provides counseling for those in crisis pregnancies and for those seeking to overcome post-abortion problems. Volunteer opportunities include: counselors, hotline volunteers, office work, weekday Bible Study leaders, nurses, and handyman work. If interested contact Daybreak at 771-6634.

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