

- Spiritual Growth -

- _____ Regularly participate in a Sunday group *[Sundays, 9:00 a.m.]*
- _____ "Bible in a Year" *[daily reading plan that results in reading entire Bible in twelve months]*
- _____ Participate in one or more of our short-term evening Bible studies

- Kids and Teens - *[these options are ONLY for kids and teens]*

- _____ Participate in a youth group, if one is started
- _____ Participate in summer church camp *[one week; in the summer]*

- Annual events -

- _____ Easter Egg hunt *[Easter Sunday morning, 9:00 a.m.]*
- _____ Pumpkin carving festival *[evening event; in October]*
- _____ Christmas cookie exchange *[exchange cookies with other participants]*

- With Other Churches -

- _____ Common Table ministries *[activities and ministries with other UT-area churches]*
- _____ Community Good Friday Worship *[one service, two days before Easter]*
- _____ Attend the community praise worship
[one service held on the Sunday before Thanksgiving]

- Groups/Ministries/Events -

- _____ All-church potluck breakfasts *[first Sundays of months]*
- _____ "We Are Together" events
[variety of fellowship or service opportunities]
- _____ "FCCM on the Path" *[bike rides for fun and fitness]*
- _____ Day trip to an amusement park *[a Saturday in the summer at a regional fun park]*

- Your Ministries - *[the "BIG things" you feel called to help us do, but that are not listed in this form]*

Name & Claim Your Ministry

Your Signature _____

Today's Date _____

Claim Your
MINISTRY 2018
 First Christian Church

GUIDANCE: The Bible makes clear that we are all gifted to contribute to the ministry of the Body of Christ, a.k.a. the church. Because we're all unique, no two of us have the same interests or gifts; hence, this form.

On this form place an "X" next to the ministries you claim as God's call to you in 2018. Some of the items are groups and opportunities that will **minister TO you**. Other items invite **ministry FROM you**. We encourage you to claim **both** kinds of ministries.

Please submit one form per person in your household (young children may need help completing their forms). Your declarations will help us plan future ministries and help you claim God's abundant blessings on your life.

Sunday Morning Ministries

- _____ Welcome team *[in the lobby welcome people to worship with a printed flyer, building information, introductions to others, etc.]*
- _____ Java ministries *[serve snacks and beverages before worship]*
- _____ Provide childcare *[adults and teens age 16+; rotate responsibility for care to children age 5 and under on lower level during worship]*
- _____ Present submitted LifeSounds *[read aloud submitted prayer/celebration requests]*
- _____ Multimedia Team *[operate audio-visual equipment during worship]*

Communion/Offering

- _____ Prepare/Cleanup bread and cup trays (includes providing bread)
- _____ Offer the prayers at the table
- _____ Help distribute communion/offering trays

Spiritual Growth

- _____ Lead or help lead a 9:00 a.m. Sunday group

To Kids and Teens

- _____ Provide childcare *[age 16+; supervise kids under the age of five]*
- _____ Aluminum can recycling *[first Sundays of months; donate empty cans to support youth ministry]*

GROUPS/MINISTRIES/EVENTS

- RECURRING SERVICE -

_____ “Scrub & Turf” *[basic custodial tasks inside / maintain church yard outside; schedule announced]*

Helmets of Hope Ministry

- _____ Helmets of Hope ministry team *[manage and implement our provision of cleaning supplies to QC-area veterans who until recently were homeless]*
- _____ Make supply deliveries to ministry partner agencies
- _____ Help with one or more ministry fundraisers
- _____ Donate financially

Food Pantry Ministry *[third Sundays of months]*

- _____ Donate cash and/or non-perishable food items
- _____ Food pantry ministry team *[collect and deliver donations to church next door]*

Churches United meal site *[second Mondays of even-numbered months; church pays for food]*

- _____ Help prepare the meal *[for 20-50 people]*
- _____ Help serve the meal *[at Mt Zion Missionary Baptist Church, EM]*

- ANNUAL SERVICE -

Operation Christmas Child *[gift-packed shoe boxes sent to children in developing nations]*

- _____ Donate items for use in boxes
- _____ Donate financially to cover shipping costs
- _____ Participate in box packing party *[a November Saturday]*

_____ Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign *[in December, staff our red kettle collection station]*

_____ Christmas caroling *[seasonal joy to care center residents and others; in December]*

CROP Hunger Walk *[raise money to fight local and global hunger; first Sunday in October]*

- _____ Walk in the 2018 CROP Hunger Walk
- _____ Donate financially to CROP (Church World Service)

“Trunk or Treat” *[welcome the neighborhood with goodies on The Pointe on Halloween night]*

- _____ Help plan the event
- _____ Donate treats and/or needed accessories
- _____ Help hand out treats

Thanksgiving baskets *[gifts to families in need; mid- to late November]*

- _____ Donate financially and/or food items for baskets
- _____ Help assemble baskets
- _____ Help deliver baskets

_____ Donate gift(s) for infants *[to Pregnancy Resources of the Quad Cities]*

_____ Donate to mitten tree *[hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, etc]*

Groups/Ministries/Events (cont.)

- With Other Churches -

- _____ Community praise worship common choir *[rehearsals and worship held in November]*
- _____ Common Table ministry team *[bridging racial divide with reps from other UT-area churches]*

- Ministry to kids and teens - *[non-Sunday morning]*

- _____ Youth group leadership team *[adults; every other Sunday evening except in the summer]*
- _____ Youth Ministries Directors Group *[adults; oversees youth ministry]*
- _____ Youth ministry financial donation *[via occasional fund raisers]*

Summer church camp *[a week in the summer]*

- _____ Serve as staff member
- _____ Make donation(s) *[financial or otherwise]*

_____ Grounds/Facilities improvement workdays *[inside and/or outside projects]*

_____ Prayer Team *[pray for people/situations when notified by email or phone message]*

_____ “We Are Together” planning team *[choose then organize monthly congregational events]*

FINANCIAL

- Regular financial giving - *[mark only one of these options]*

- _____ As a tither *[10% or more of income]*
- _____ At some other level

- Seasonal/Special donations -

[various special financial collections that support our and other ministries]

- _____ For poinsettias *[around Christmas; donations honor or remember loved ones]*
- _____ For lilies *[around Easter; donations honor or remember loved ones]*
- _____ Weed control *[donations pay for special lawn service in the spring]*
- _____ Special Day offerings *[support regional, national, and global denominational ministries]*
- _____ Donate to the General Fund Emergency Fund

- Spring rummage sale - *[proceeds benefit general ministry]*

- _____ Help plan/organize
- _____ Help set-up
- _____ Help work and/or clean-up
- _____ Donate items / Shop the sale

WORSHIP

- Attend Sunday morning worship - *[Sundays, 10:30 a.m. mark only one option]*

- _____ Regularly *[defined as an average of three or more Sundays per month]*
- _____ At some other frequency