

2010

CHRISTIAN SERVICE MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

from the MISSIONS MINISTRY TEAM of the
CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Contact the Missions
Ministry Team for additional
listings of Christian Service
Ministry Opportunities
available in 2010 or
download the information
from the web site.

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There are hundreds of ways and places to volunteer. This listing of Christian Service Ministry Opportunities will share some of the options available and provide you with a contact person for the organizations and ministries that need you most. This is by no means an exhaustive list of opportunities.

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Missions Ministry Team
Volunteers in Action
8207 Traditional Place
Cordova, TN 38016
901/276-9988
e-mail: mgs@cumberland.org

NOTE: Please contact the agencies directly for details and scheduling volunteers. Contact the director of Volunteers in Action for additional opportunities, further assistance or work trip resources.

VOLUNTEER TRANSLATORS

Individuals with fluency in Japanese, Spanish, Korean or Cantonese are needed from time to time to translate for overseas guests while they are visiting stateside. Translators are also needed for overseas commissioners during General Assembly meetings and CPW Convention.

Contact: Bob Watkins
2365 Addalynn Dr.
Marion, IA 52302-4971
Phone: 319-431-0990
e-mail: watkr@mac.com

MEMPHIS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Volunteers are needed to provide construction, repair and maintenance work on student housing duplexes. Other volunteer needs include data entry, accounting, receptionist, mailings, special events.

Contact: Memphis Theological Seminary
John Vaughn
168 East Parkway South
Memphis, TN 38104
Phone: 901-458-8232
Jvaughn@memphisseminary.edu

BIRTHPLACE SHRINE

Volunteers are needed to help with spring and fall cleaning of chapel and shrine area before the summer chaplaincy program each year. People are also needed to help with periodic building and grounds needs. The shrine is located in the Montgomery Bell State Park near Dickson, TN.

Contact: Susan Knight Gore
Historical Foundation
8207 Traditional Place
Cordova, TN 38016
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HOSTS FOR GUESTS FROM OVERSEAS

The Global Missions office of the Missions Ministry Team is searching for volunteers in the Memphis area who would enjoy hosting overseas representatives of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in their homes. The guests' stay might vary from one night to one week.

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BETHEL UNIVERSITY

Volunteers are needed at Bethel for the following: General interior painting in dorms, etc. There are also a lot of rooms in the Science Building that need false ceilings. The Physician Assistant Program offices need to be painted and also a small hall. If there are artists who want to paint health and healing murals in the hall and offices, we would love for them to share their talents with us. There are several buildings with windows that need cleaning. These are buildings that are at least two stories high with windows that are out of reach for the regular maintenance crew. Also, we need volunteers for outside maintenance of all types.

Contact: Anne Hames
Bethel University
325 Cherry Ave.
McKenzie, TN 38201
Phone: 731/352-4000
e-mail: hamesa@bethelu.edu

PROJECT VIDA

Adult or older youth volunteers are needed to participate in general maintenance and repair work on facilities operated by Project Vida. Projects include painting, groundkeeping and improving housing conditions.

Volunteers can also mentor elementary age children. Projects include painting murals on outside walls and assisting pre-school teachers in designing and learning to operate age-appropriate learning centers.

Contact: Irma Avila
3607 Rivera Ave.
El Paso, TX 79905
Phone: 915-533-7057 Ext: 204
Fax: 915-533-7158
e-mail: pvhouse@whc.net

INTERNATIONAL WORK TEAMS

Volunteers are needed to form teams of six to ten people for international projects. The objectives of the teams vary. Objectives include teaching English, construction work, medical care, dentistry, peacemaking, music ministry, etc. Time required varies from 7 to 14 days.

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INDIAN MINISTRIES

Youth and adults are needed for all areas of construction and repair/maintenance work at the presbyterial camp and at many of the churches as well as for health/medical/dental services and for cataloguing library resources. We need short-term/ long-term youth/young adult workers. Teachers and leaders are also needed for annual Vacation Bible Schools, summer camp programs, training and other educational events.

A caretaker at Camp Israel Folsom is needed, either long-term or short-term.

Contact: Betty Jacob, Coordinator
Choctaw Presbytery Council
P.O. Box 158
Broken Bow, OK 74728
Phone: 580-584-2099
e-mail: chocpres@pine-net.com

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S HOME

Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home has provided healing and hope to children and families for more than 105 years. As the only children's home ministry within the Cumberland Presbyterian denomination, CPCH offers a unique opportunity for Christian service.

On campus volunteer opportunities are available for mission trip groups. Groups can also support CPCH from their home areas by clipping Campbell's product UPCs or collecting Box Tops for Education and sending them in to CPCH.

For more information about how you can support CPCH's ministry to children and families, please visit our website at www.cpch.org

Contact: Megan Barrett, Campus Activities Coordinator
Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home
P.O. Drawer G
Denton, TX 76202-1657
Phone: 940-382-5112 Ext. 228
e-mail: mbarrett@cpch.org



THE COLEGIO AMERICANO

The Colegio Americano in Cali, Colombia, is looking for a native English-speaker to teach English as a second language. The person must have a degree in English or in teaching English from an accredited school. The Colegio will pay for plane tickets to and from Colombia and a small salary while there.

In addition to teaching in the school, the person can have the opportunity to see the Cumberland Presbyterian work in Colombia and to work in one or more churches on the weekends. The contract is for one school year or more, from September through June. This could be a productive way to spend a sabbatical leave.

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NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Get involved with NCD through such ministries as: Youth mission trips to new church sites to assist with maintenance of grounds, light construction, Vacation Bible School programs, youth worship services, organization of local CPYF, music and drama programs; telephone and door-to-door canvassing on behalf of the new church; leadership development and training by experienced session members; assistance with stewardship program development, budget planning; Christian education programming, pulpit exchange with pastors in established churches; preparation of publicity materials for the new church (brochures, etc.) by individuals with marketing and/or computer skills; skilled construction crews for erection of first unit under supervision of construction manager; semi-retired individuals or couples able to relocate for short-term mission team effort working with a planter in a new church setting; younger individuals or couples to live in apartment complex near a new church to assist in developing an apartment ministry as part of the NCD outreach.

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NATIONAL FARM WORKER MINISTRY

The National Farm Worker Ministry (NFWM) is a faith based organization that has supported the needs of farm workers for over 75 years. NFWM works to mobilize religious communities to stand with farm workers who are organizing for greater equality, freedom and justice in their lives. NFWM volunteers work in religious and community organizing to engender support for current farm worker campaigns. Qualities that are helpful, but not required of volunteers: Team player, self-starter, commitment to poor peoples' struggle for justice, and Spanish-speaking. Possible locations include California, Florida, Missouri, North Carolina, and Oregon.

Contact: Susan Alan
Resource Coordinator
National Farm Worker Ministry
438 N. Skinker Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63130
Phone: 314-726-6470
Fax: 314-726-6427
e-mail: nfwm@nfwm.org

HISTORICAL FOUNDATION

Adult and older youth volunteers are needed to work with archivist on assigned tasks in the Historical Library and Archives. Work might include reboxing archival material, preservation photocopying, arranging and inventorying collections, helping with indexing and mailings, creating publicity materials, transcribing oral history tapes and working with photograph collections.

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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Create denominational endorsements/partnerships to encourage building locally and internationally. Encourage building on the presbytery level and with sister presbyteries in other countries.

Contact: Raafat Zaki, Director of Church Relations
270 Peachtree Street NW Suite 1300
Atlanta, GA 30303-1246
Phone: 800-422-4828 Ext. 3481
e-mail: churchrelations@habitat.org

BETH-EL FARMWORKER MINISTRY

Need youth/adult volunteers to provide Vacation Bible Schools and special activities for youth and children of the Hispanic migrant farm worker community. Volunteers are also needed for minor repairs, painting, maintenance of farm worker housing and the facility at Beth-El.

For those living in the Tampa area, there are opportunities to serve as Sunday school teachers, homework helpers, thrift store clerks, food packers and bus or truck drivers. Church groups are invited to prepare and serve a meal following worship services on Sunday morning or Tuesday evening.

Contact: Dave Moore, Executive Dir.
P.O. Box 860
Wimauma, FL 33598
Phone: 813-633-1548
e-mail: dave@beth-el.info
www. beth-el.info



APPALACHIAN MINISTRIES

CAM (The Coalition for Appalachian Ministry) is a cooperative ministry of the Christian Reformed Church, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, the Presbyterian Church (USA), and the Reformed Church in America.

The CAM Volunteer Program (working with all Christian denominations) seeks skilled and semi-skilled volunteers to assist grassroots organizations to work toward social, economic and political justice; provide medical assistance; improve housing conditions; and improve education. Opportunities are also available for college, adult and adult-supervised youth groups desiring week-long work camp experiences. Church groups with skilled adult leadership and resources for construction materials are welcome. Projects include: Home repair, new home construction, mission site maintenance, farm work, painting, and other assistance for the low-income and elderly of Appalachia. The CAM website noted below has work site listings, a manual for planning a work trip, and introductory material about Appalachia, a print copy of the work site list and a CD with the manual and other information available from the CAM office listed below.

Contact: Therica Breazeale
Coalition for Appalachian Ministry
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Townsend, TN 37882-3417
Phone: 865-448-5940
E-mail: thericabcam@aol.com
www.appalachianministry.org

TOUR GUIDES FOR OVERSEAS GUESTS

The Global Missions Unit of the Missions Ministry Team is searching for volunteers to serve as tour guides for overseas personnel visiting in the United States. The responsibility will usually involve one to three days for any particular guest.

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LAKOTA SIOUX - PINE RIDGE RESERVATION - SW SOUTH DAKOTA

June 6-11, June 13-18, 2010

Each week's group will: conduct a Vacation Bible School in churches and at a ball field, repair homes and mobile homes, build decks, wheelchair ramps and outhouses.

Cost: \$200 plus transportation

Contact: John Lovelace
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Evansville, IN 47715
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