

EAST POINT MINISTRIES

*AREAS OF SERVICE
2017*



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1 Peter 4:10

PURPOSE

When God designed the Church, He designed a body that was intended to work together to achieve His own mission. From the days of Abraham, God said that He wanted to bless all people through a covenant relationship with Him. He made that relationship available to everyone by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, who sacrificed Himself on the cross. Because of His gracious act, we can have a relationship with God again by becoming obedient followers of Jesus the Savior.

Once we choose to become disciples of Jesus, we need to continue to find ways to mature and grow in faith and service. As the Church continues to push forward in the work of the Lord, each member of the body must perform its special function. If even one part fails to dedicate itself to its God-given purpose, then the whole body underachieves and falls short of the maturity that God desires.

Here at East Point, we use a ministry system to help us organize our ministry efforts. This system is overseen by our shepherds and is organized by our ministry leaders. Most of these ministry leaders have been chosen by the church to serve as deacons. We are grateful for the servant leadership displayed by all who serve.

All ministry leaders are responsible for including other church members in their ministry areas. But in order to be included, members need to volunteer for the ministries which God has equipped them to perform. Members may volunteer for service by filling out the attached East Point Member's Ministry Form and returning it to the office.

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MINISTRY AREAS AND LEADERS

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MINISTRY LEADERS

Clark Simpson
Jared Johnson, Travis Sears
Elders

Dave Wasserstrom
Travis Sears
Dean Foster
Kevin Crowley & Richard James
The Elders
Jim Jefferies, Jim Woods
Allen Warren
Doug Chambers, Steve Lemons
Kevin Crowley
John Langley
Mike Jeffery
Dave Wasserstrom
Buford Blythe, Sam Pryor
Elders

MINISTRY DESCRIPTIONS

BUILDING

CLARK SIMPSON 258-5741 or clarks@pbawichita.com

This ministry is responsible for the exterior of the building, including the roof, guttering, downspouts, paint, railings; and the interior of the building and all the mechanical equipment involved with running the building. Volunteers can help with basic maintenance or carpentry skills, painting, basic cleaning and straightening up.

COMMUNICATION AND COMPUTER

JARED JOHNSON 308-58550 or jjohnson353@cox.net

TRAVIS SEARS 680-8030 or travissears@hotmail.com

The purpose of the Communication Ministry is to help keep members informed about the church through email, the church website and sometimes phone calls. The Computer Ministry provides training to those who would like to run the computer during services.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

ELDERS

This ministry serves various needs of our “neighbors” in the Wichita and Andover communities with the objective of also meeting their spiritual needs. There are many ways available to use the talents that the Lord has given you.

EDUCATION

ADULT - DAVE WASSERSTROM 993-1667 or mwasserstrom@cox.net

The goal of this ministry is to provide Bible classes that supplement personal and family studies that take place through the week. This ministry coordinates the adult curriculum and Bible class schedule for Sundays and Wednesdays.

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YOUTH/FAMILY - TRAVIS SEARS 680-8030 or travissears@hotmail.com

This ministry is responsible for the Christian education of the teens here at East Point. Adults working in this area are welcomed to teach, attend devotionals, retreats and other youth activities. A biblical and relevant curriculum has been developed for this area and it continues to change as needs are seen in the group. The spiritual growth of our youth is the primary concern of this ministry.

CHILDREN - DEAN FOSTER 788-7839

This ministry's goal is to design children's Bible classes and activities which will plant the seeds for a lifetime of Christian discipleship. Volunteers can help by serving as teachers, guides, helping with the check-in system, planning children's events, writing and updating children's curriculum, and maintaining the children's area.

FELLOWSHIP

KEVIN CROWLEY 733-6556 or kcrowley00@gmail.com

RICHARD JAMES 631-1424 or rjames@devaughnjames.com

The purpose of this ministry is to promote and oversee fellowship events including Adventure Days, the annual Christmas Dinner, 5th Sunday Fellowships along with several others. Coordinating all aspects including meal planning, organizing, advertising, setting up, decorating, and cleaning up.

FINANCE

THE ELDERS

The finance ministry seeks to use the money given by our members for the glory of God. The ministry ensures that all bills are paid on time and keeps a record of all expenses using accepted accounting practices. They count and record the contribution each Sunday and are responsible for accurate tax records and reports given to the elders and members. They work with the elders to complete the budget each year to ensure that the money given is used in the most efficient manner possible for God's Kingdom.

GROUNDS

JIM JEFFERIES 620-968-7679 or jim.gladys.j@gmail.com

JIM WOODS 648-5235 or jwoodsiaa@gmail.com

This ministry is involved in maintaining the grounds surrounding the building. Areas of involvement include the grass, trees, shrubs, sprinkler system, and the Memorial Garden. They maintain the parking lots, the signs, stripes and the cement parking blocks. In the winter they are responsible for the snow and ice removal on the parking lots and sidewalks.

MEMBER NEEDS

ALLEN WARREN 686-4586 or agw155@cox.net

The purpose of this ministry is help our members should they need items repaired at their home, if they need financial counseling, visits while they are in the hospital or communion should they become homebound. This ministry is also involved with welcoming new members and getting them involved.

MISSIONS

DOUG CHAMBERS 733-4833 or wchamb8764@aol.com

STEVE LEMONS 733-1611 or granlo7@yahoo.com

The East Point Missions program has God breathed and inspired work for just about everyone. From loading containers and collecting school books going to Zimbabwe, to the Nhowe Mission and the Nhowe Mission Christian School, or supporting one or more orphans in Zimbabwe, or in Zambia where our own Meagan Hawley cares for orphans with serious and terminal illnesses; or working on housing for the poor on the Rio Grande Valley trip, and teaching ladies to sew; the list goes on. The hospital at Nhowe is serving 3,000 to 5,000 patients per month, and help is needed to keep it supplied with medicines and staffed with doctors and essential personnel to keep the hospital working. The hospital has a great reputation in Zimbabwe and is considered one of the best, if not the best. The church of Christ chaplain is on duty daily to speak and pray for those in need and study with them.

SENIOR SAINTS

KEVIN CROWLEY 733-6556 or kcrowley00@gmail.com

The Senior Saints ministry purpose is to care for the needs of seniors in our midst and to reach out to seniors around us. You will be helping with their physical needs by providing rides, help with work projects or tasks; their spiritual/emotional needs by visits, phone calls, prayer, etc.; you will also provide help to our senior shut-ins. Helping Hands Day and Valet Parking are included in this ministry.

SINGLE/SINGLE AGAIN

JOHN LANGLEY 461-3279 or john@epcofc.org

Our Singles Ministry is designed to assist in the spiritual growth of those who are single, single again or widowed. Our desire is to provide a Christian social life together. This ministry provides a Christ-centered, grace-based fellowship where single adults of all ages can easily get involved in an atmosphere of acceptance, love and respect - a place where each person can feel they are a valuable and active member of the family of God.

TRANSPORTATION

MIKE JEFFERY 733-9432 or mj159@att.net

The goal of this ministry is to keep the congregational vehicles clean and maintained so that the congregation's transportation needs can be met conveniently and safely. The leader also oversees service and repair. Volunteers are needed to help with vehicle maintenance and cleaning.

WORSHIP

DAVE WASSERSTROM 993-1667 or mwasserstrom@cox.net

The Worship Ministry is engaged in all aspects of ensuring that our worship time is a time of praise to God and an encouragement to each other. Volunteers are needed to help with prayers, scripture, serving communion and giving the communion talk.

WORSHIP PREPARATION

BUFORD BLYTHE 733-1625 or sblythe1@cox.net

SAM PRYOR 788-3865 or cpryor_us@yahoo.com

The purpose of this ministry is to insure that worship services run smoothly. Help is needed with keeping the chair back pockets supplied with cards, greeting visitors at entrance doors, filling and cleaning of the communion trays.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

ELDERS

These ministries are for women and are lead by women. There are many ways available to fellowship with other women of the congregation and to use your talents in serving others.

PURPOSE

We know that we used a page at the beginning of this booklet to talk about the purpose of our ministry system. This page is not here by mistake. It is here because our ministries should begin and end with a clear understanding that everything we do through our ministries should bring God glory.

To glorify God through our ministries means a number of things:

- 1) Our ministries are really God's ministries. We should search Scripture to see what God does and why He does it. Then, as His children, we should walk in our Father's steps.
- 2) Our ministries must be engaged with God-honoring motives. Recognition and encouragement sometimes come to those who lead and those who serve, but this is not the primary reason for being involved in these ministries. We work for the sake of God and His children. If we put God first, then we will put others second and ourselves last.
- 3) Our ministries should give us the opportunity to let others know something important about God. By our service we may communicate God's holiness, His love, His mercy, His guidance, or His sacrifice. But whatever it is we do, we recognize that we are trying to use our gifts and talents to let the Light of God shine through us.
- 4) Our ministries give us an opportunity to pattern our lives after the cross. Volunteer ministries often require that we give more than we receive (at least it may seem this way at the beginning), but we know that sacrifice is a way of life for us. If we aren't willing to live like Jesus, we really shouldn't wear His name.
- 5) Our ministries are never limited by our abilities or lack thereof. If we are working to honor God through appropriate avenues of ministry, then God is really the one doing the heavy lifting. Esther, David, Lydia, and Peter were not the first or the last unlikely people to be used by God in extraordinary ways. Our God is still extraordinary, and He continues to work through us today! May God bless your service.