



Serve the
Community

Serve Experiences for your Life Group

Goal: To have a life-changing serving experience that makes your group want to keep serving until it is an integral part of their lives.

Being vs. Doing: All serving opportunities are designed to be highly relational, to help us demonstrate God's love by who we are, not just what we do. Because poverty isn't just a lack of material things, we offer not only help but relationship. That means we talk to, interact with, and listen to the stories of those we're serving. Each serve experience should focus on serving in a way that allows us to connect relationally.

Appreciation for Public Servants

- Deliver pre-packaged snacks/sweets with thank-you cards for Public Servants (Hospital Staff, Police, Fire, EMT, Teachers, School Administration)

Care Facilities

- Clovis Quality Care (memory care facility); (559) 322-1220
- Oakwood Gardens, 3510 E Shields Ave, Fresno, CA 93726
Contact Mery Vang or Shelly at (559) 222-4807, participate with residents Mondays at 6:00pm for Bingo, or Wednesdays at 6:00pm for Music Appreciation.
- Raintree Convalescent Hospital; Contact Carolyn Daniels at (559) 251-8244 or carolyndaniels20@yahoo.com. Call for current options available: Past options including bring baked goods, games, crafts, sing with residents, write cards of encouragement.

Every Neighborhood Partnership

- Saturday Sports: Visit <https://everyneighborhood.org/saturdaysports/> for an overview of the program and contact Andrea Ricci at andrea@everyneighborhood.org for specific site details.

Fresno Mission

- Serving opportunities include opportunities at activity nights at Rescue the Children and the Family Center and help with lunch or dinner service as part of the Food Ministry. To schedule your serve experience, find other dates, or get more information, contact Tiffany Wortley, Mobilization Coordinator at twortley@fresnomission.org, or call (559) 293-4555.

Poverello House

- Serve breakfast, lunch, or dinner to homeless. Call (559) 498-6988 or email volunteer@poverellohouse.org to find out what volunteer options are available and requirements to serve.

Restaurant Blessing

- Arrange to eat out together at one of your favorite local restaurants. Here are some options to bless your server (be creative!):
- Explain that you will be praying a blessing over your food soon, and ask the server if they have anything they would like you to pray about for them.
- Give an unusually large tip
- Have each member or couple sign a Thank You card and include a gift card (whatever each one can afford)

Youth for Christ Group Homes

- Prepare and serve a meal at the YFC Center (8681 N Chestnut Ave, Fresno) for about 30 teens who are residents of several group homes in the Fresno/Clovis area. Arrive by 5:00pm, and evening ends about 8:30pm.
- After the meal, kids play games and hang out together, allowing you to meet and get acquainted with them. The evening concludes with a YFC staff person sharing a short message.
- Thursday Nights-girls from several area homes, Friday Nights – guys from area homes.
- To schedule an opportunity to serve, contact the Director, Patient Matadi, at (559) 347-8141 or patient@yfcnow.org.