



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. 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. So for this experience we will be focusing 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.

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. Schools require in-person volunteers to be vaccinated.

Fresno Mission

- Serving opportunities at Rescue the Children, Academy Men's Program, or Family Center Downtown. 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 (not food prep, sorting clothing, etc. as we are looking for relational serving opportunities). Call (559) 498-6988 or email volunteer@poverellohouse.org to find out what volunteer options are available and requirements to serve.

Restaurant Blessing

Eat out together at one of your favorite local restaurants. 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)

Terry's House

- Prepare and serve a meal to family members visiting patients at CRMC in Fresno. While they are eating you can get to know them, encourage them, or pray for them as appropriate.
- Contact Robin Allen at (559) 459-2648 or RAllen4@communitymedical.org to schedule a time to serve.

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 group homes, Friday Nights – guys from area group homes.
- To schedule an opportunity to serve, contact the Director, Patient Matadi, at (559) 347-8141 or patient@yfcnow.org.