

SERVE



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WHY SERVE?

After I became a Christian my whole world changed. I was a new creation with a brand-new heart. Nobody had to tell me to love people; somehow, I instinctively knew that following Jesus meant serving others. The greatest joy in my life since then has been to allow God to love others through me.

Because of my role, people often refer to me as a 'minister'. That is, of course, an accurate title. But it is also a word that should apply to *every* Christian. We are *all* ministers. Why? Because the word 'minister' literally means 'servant'. And every single Christian is called by God to a life of service.

The Apostle Paul's words to the church in Ephesus paint a vivid picture of how God designed His church to operate.

'From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.' (Eph 4:16)

Jesus intended His church to grow and be built-up as every person plays their part in serving others.

In Hope Church there are many opportunities to serve. This booklet gives you details about various ministries where you will be able to use your gifts to serve others. It is my heart's desire that all the God-given potential in the Body of Christ be released, and that every person who is part of the Hope Church family finds their place of joyful service.

Together in His service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Damian Carr". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Damian Carr
(Pastor, Hope Church)

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CATERING TEAM

What is the vision?

To provide high quality food and refreshments for various one-off church events throughout the year.

What is involved?

- Being trained in basic food hygiene
- Cooking and preparing food
- Presenting and serving food

What is the time commitment?

- Occasional events throughout the year: conferences, celebrations, breakfasts, Connect lunches etc.

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EVANGELISM TEAM

What is the vision?

To bring together those who are passionate about evangelism (this include those who may not be evangelists but who can use their gifts to serve in other ways – i.e. intercession, hospitality, sound, media etc) to become increasingly effective at reaching people for Jesus.

What is involved?

- Prayer for evangelism.
- Equipping in the area of evangelism.
- Planning evangelistic outreaches (thinking strategically about how existing outreaches such as Sunday services, youth/kids ministries, Celebrate Recovery and Alpha fit into this).
- Doing evangelism!

What is the time commitment?

- Attending semi-regular prayer and planning meetings for approximately 2 hours.
- Occasional events and street evangelism throughout the year.

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HOPE KIDS TEAM

What is the vision?

We want every child at Hope Church to feel safe and valued at all times. Our aim is to provide kids groups that are enjoyable, interactive, fun and engaging. We want children to get to know Jesus and what it means to follow him whilst building strong and meaningful friendships with the other children and adults in their groups.

What is involved?

Kids Church – group leaders

Please note that you need to have attended Hope Church for at least six months, hold an enhanced DBS check through Hope Church and attend Hope Church Safeguarding training before joining the Hope Kids team. All of these are provided free of charge.

As a member of the Hope Kids team, you will be expected to:

- Prepare and lead or support with a 1-hour Sunday session full of fun, vibrant worship, prayer, solid Biblical teaching and relevant application. Ensure every child feels safe, welcome and valued. Uphold the vision and values of the Hope Kids team.

Hope Kids Registration Team (4 people required each Sunday)

As a member of the Hope Kids registration team, you will be expected to:

- Welcome new and existing families to Hope Church
- Register new families using our online registration system
- Check-in children to their Hope Kids group

What is the time commitment?

Group leaders – the team arrives at 9:50am for set-up and prayer before the service. They leave the service for groups at 11 am. Set-down after the service is usually completed by 12:30pm.

To be on the team there is a minimum expected commitment of serving at least one Sunday per month.

Registration – the team begins registration at 10am and finishes at 10.50am.

To be on the team there is a minimum expected commitment of serving at least one Sunday per month.

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LIFE GROUP LEADERS

What is the vision?

To lead, pastor and disciple a small-group of Christians. To create an environment where people can encounter God, engage as family, exercise spiritual gifts and experience real spiritual growth.

What is involved?

- Pastoring a group of people.
- Spotting and releasing ministries.
- Praying for group members.
- Preparing sessions, including facilitating prayer, worship & Bible studies.
- Hosting/hospitality.

What is the time commitment?

Life Groups usually meet once a week for around two hours. There will be additional time needed for pastoral care as needed and preparation for the sessions.

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'LIMITLESS' YOUTH TEAM

What is the vision?

Reaching, inspiring and equipping young people to know and follow a limitless God.

What is involved?

To be a team member does not necessarily mean leading a session. We also need people just to be helping hands. Helping on a Sunday is a good place to start. All team members are required to go through an application process (including a free DBS check by Hope Church) and receive ongoing Safeguarding training.

- Limitless (Sundays)
- Limitless (Wednesdays)
- Sleep-overs
- Festivals (camping)
- Chill-out café (Wednesdays every half term)
- Souster Trust (Christian schools work)

What is the time commitment?

Sundays – at least monthly on a rota basis. 10am-12:30pm.

Wednesdays – weekly (or as often as you are able). 6:40pm-9:20pm.

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LIVESTREAM TEAM

What is the vision?

To enable those who are not able to be physically present – i.e. those who are sick, on holiday or in the Tiny Treasures room – to join Hope Church for Sunday services.

What is involved?

This team is still being developed so you will be joining at the ground level at an exciting time. These are some of the things that will likely be involved:

- Setting up equipment before the service
- Operating the cameras or mixing software during the service
- Clearing away equipment after the service
- Editing and uploading video to YouTube

What is the time commitment?

9:30am-12:30pm. This will be at least once a month on a rota basis. All training will be provided.

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LOVE ON THE STREETS' TEAM

What is the vision?

A weekly drop-in to provide a dry, warm and safe place where the homeless community can meet, receive a warm meal and be shown love. A place of warmth, friendship, laughter and practical help.

What is involved?

- Making soup and delivering it on a Friday
- Making teas and coffees and serving food
- Chatting to guests and making them feel at home

What is the time commitment?

- Two hours on a Friday evening. This will be at least one a month on a rota basis.

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MEDIA TEAM

What is the vision?

To use visual media to enhance the worship and teaching on Sundays. Also to record and upload audio of the sermons each week.

Are you good with IT and/or have a flair for media? We use specialist projection software for the song-words, videos and slides. We also use software to record the sermon on a Sunday. Using the software and handling the laptop is relatively simple. If you are interested in joining the team, full training will be given and a member of the team will sit with you each Sunday until you feel comfortable to 'go solo'.

What is involved?

- Prepare song-words, slides and other media prior to Sunday.
- Set-up & pack-away laptop, projector connection and cabling.
- Project song words, videos & sermon slides.
- Record sermons.

What is the time commitment?

- Approximately one hour on Friday or Saturday to upload worship lyrics, format slides and import videos etc.
- 10am-12:30pm on Sundays (on a rota basis).
- Other occasional events as required.

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PRAYER TEAMS

What is the vision?

To minister to people, in partnership with the Holy Spirit, in the areas of deliverance, healing and freedom. Also to provide general support in prayer.

To join the Prayer Ministry teams you must be a church Partner and completed the Prayer Ministry training.

What is involved?

Sunday prayer ministry

- Praying as a pair with people during or after a service – usually every Sunday or as available.

Midweek prayer ministry

- Occasionally praying as a pair with people in their homes – usually for a couple of hours a week over several weeks.

PrayerNet Team

- There are several groups of pray-ers in the church. Each team member has one group. Prayer requests are received by one team member and forwarded to their group (and to the other team leaders).

PrayerNet Members

- Praying for needs as prayer requests come through.

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REFRESHMENTS TEAM

What is the vision?

To make people feel welcomed and 'at home' by providing quality refreshments and giving 'service with a smile'.

What is involved?

- Setting-up and clearing-away the refreshments equipment on Sundays.
- Serving drinks and snacks to guests and existing members of Hope Church.
- Serving at occasional conferences and events.

What is the time commitment?

For those setting-up – 9:30am-10:30am.

For those serving - 12:15pm, 5mins prior to the end of service (until 1:15pm, including clearing away).

The expectation would be that team members serve at least once per month on a rota basis.

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SET-UP & SET-DOWN TEAM

What is the vision?

To help create the best possible worship environment for our Sunday gatherings.

What is involved?

Set-up

- Unloading the storage cupboard.
- Setting-up pull-up banners and outdoor signs/flags.
- Ensuring boxes, worship flags and offering baskets reach their designated places.
- Setting up tables in the restaurant and kids registration area.
- Ensuring details are noticed – curtains around hall are neat, door stops are holding doors open, rows of chairs are straight.

Set-down

- Packing away pull-up banners, outdoor signs/flags, boxes etc. and returning them back to the storage cupboard.
- Putting tables back in place.
- Ensuring storage cupboard is neat and tidy for midweek users.
- Ensuring carpets, floors & tiered seating are clear of rubbish.

What is the time commitment?

For those setting-up – 9am-10am

For those setting-down – 12:30pm-1:30pm

It is expected that team members will serve at least once a month, either before or after the service (or both) on a rota basis.

Contact:

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SOUND TEAM

What is the vision?

To work closely with the Worship Team and Media Team to provide a good sound mix to enhance our Sunday gatherings.

Have you got technical ability and a good ear for music? If you are interested in joining the team, full training will be given and a member of the team will sit with you each Sunday until you feel comfortable to 'go solo'.

What is expected?

- Set up sound desk and cabling prior to gatherings.
- Live audio mixing during services and events.

What is the time commitment?

9am-1pm. Monthly on a rota basis.

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STEWARDING TEAM

What is the vision?

To extend a warm welcome and hospitality to guests. Also to provide practical support to the elders throughout the service.

What is involved?

- Support with ensuring everyone gets a comfortable seat.
- Giving assistance families with young children and buggies.
- Giving assistance to those with disabilities (i.e. wheelchairs and mobility equipment etc).
- Ensuring compliance with Health and Safety (i.e. ensuring fire exits are not blocked etc).
- Support with welcoming first time guests.
- Support with collecting the offering.
- Supporting the elders with any task, as required, to ensure the smooth running of the church service.

What is the time commitment?

- Arrive at 10am and finish after the offering is collected (or, on occasions, after additional tasks such as helping to distribute handouts or booklets).
- Two services per month (with the intention that this will reduce to once a month as the team grows).

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WELCOME & CONNECT TEAMS

What is the vision?

To ensure that every guest at a Hope Church gathering is given a warm welcome and made to feel at home.

What is involved?

Welcome

- Being super friendly.
- Handing out any flyers.
- Introducing guests to the Stewards & providing any relevant information.

Connect

- Setting out a welcoming space for guests.
- Chatting to new people.
- Handing out welcome packs and collecting-in welcome forms.

What is the time commitment?

Welcome – 10am-10:50am.

Connect Point – 12noon-1pm

The expectation is that you will serve at least once a month on a rota basis.

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WORSHIP TEAM

What is the vision?

To use singing and instruments to lead others towards Jesus through praise and worship at various church events, including Sunday gatherings.

To join the Worship Team it is expected that you will have been part of Hope Church for at least six months and attended the monthly open worship practices.

What is involved?

- To have a heart of worship and be a competent singer or musician.
- To joyfully serve on Sundays and be willing to participate in other weekend and midweek events as needed.
- Participation in the midweek Worship Life Group.

What is the time commitment?

Thursday Worship Life Group/Practice – 8pm-10pm.

Sunday set-up and sound check – 9.30am-10.15am (when on the team).

Sunday service – 10.30am-12pm.

Encounter evenings (3rd Sunday each month) – 7pm-9pm (when on the team).

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Not all spiritual gifts are best expressed through being part of one of our ministry teams. Some gifts (such as apostleship, healing, tongues, interpretation of tongues, miracles, words of knowledge, words of wisdom etc.) may have more general applications. If you would like to know how some of these gifts can best be expressed in the life of Hope Church, please speak to your Life Group leader or a member of the Eldership.

If you have a combination of gifts, passions and personal styles that are not expressed through the teams in this booklet we would love you to discuss with us how you can best express who God has made you to be. If there are ministries that are not already represented in Hope Church, but that you are passionate about, we would be interested to hear your ideas. In fact we would welcome any suggestions about how to more effectively release the potential in the Body to build one-another up, reach the lost and extend the Kingdom.



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