



Ministry Opportunities

Lake Cities Church of Christ's mission is to love God, love each other, and serve as Jesus served

WORSHIP



BODY LIFE



SERVICE



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Vision, Mission, and Goal

The singular goal for the Lake Cities Church of Christ is to become the authentic embodiment of Christ and to bless the world by making him known.

Consequently, the only way that this can be accomplished is for **God-honoring discipleship** to occur.

For this reason, the Shepherds – after many months of prayer, counsel and planning – have arrived at a vision for Lake Cities. This **vision** is designed to practice the Lake Cities **mission**, which is to love God, love each other, and serve as Jesus served.

“It is always good to give your attention to something worthwhile ... until Christ may be seen living in you.”
Gal. 4:18a, 19b CEV

This will be accomplished on three fronts. Namely:

③ **WORSHIP** ③ **BODY LIFE** ③ **SERVICE**.



This three pronged vision was developed as a result of the following **values**:

- ③ Commitment to the Word of God
- ③ Prayer
- ③ Spiritual Formation
- ③ Equipping the Saints
- ③ Stewardship Lifestyle
- ③ Hope for the Lost.

The intention is for all Lake Cities members to pursue a **“lifestyle worship,”** seeking to become more devoted to Christ and to mature in our spiritual walk as individual disciples and as a church body. To this end, the Shepherds encourage us to use our spiritual gifts and passions for God’s glory and for the edification of the body. **Christ-formed discipleship is the goal.**

Ministry Opportunities

The church is God's chosen means of accomplishing his eternal purpose on earth, and as members of his church at Lake Cities, we are given the glorious opportunity to be involved in his mission.

The ministry opportunities offered at Lake Cities are in alignment with the vision and provide ways for each of us to grow to become more Christ-like and to enable this church to become a —sweet smelling fragrance” to those around us.

While many of the ministries offered at Lake Cities have been practiced for years, they have now been placed in a strategic, goal focused format that will facilitate discipleship more effectively.

His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. Ephesians 3:10-12

New ministries are beginning and some existing ministries have been re-worked for the express purpose of accomplishing the Lake Cities vision. The diagram on the following page outlines the various ministries that are available. Details concerning the outworking of these ministries according to the vision are available upon request and are also available on the Lake Cities web site as a downloadable pdf file. Go to lakecitieschurch.com and click on Lake Cities Vision for this information.

Attached to this presentation is a **“Ministry Opportunities Sign Up Sheet.”** As a member at Lake Cities, you are encouraged to browse through the list of opportunities to serve, and follow the instructions on the sheet.

You are also encouraged to —try out” various ministries to see if they are a good fit for you ... which means that you may opt out whenever you need to and join another ministry at any time.

Lake Cities Vision

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Lifestyle Worship

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WORSHIP

"Honoring God by edifying each other" (I Cor. 14:26)

A. Assembly Worship Team

Oversees all aspects of worship assembly.

- ◆ **Worship Planning Team** (*Plans the theme and order of worship.*)
- ◆ **Praise Team** (*Leads the congregation in song and worship.*)
- ◆ **Communion Team** (*Oversees the communion.*)
- ◆ **Media Team** (*Oversees communication, audio/visual, and advertizing.*)

B. Prayer Team

Intentional prayer ministry that prays for all aspects of church life and for individuals.

BODY LIFE

"Discipling disciple-makers" (II Tim. 2:2)

A. Family Ministry Team

Oversees all aspects of church and nuclear families.

- ◆ **Family Ministry Planning Team** (*Plans all aspects pertaining to family ministry – including systems, structure, curriculum, and focused activities*)
- ◆ **Teachers and co-teachers of**
 - pre-k and kindergarten.
 - elementary school.
 - middle school.
 - high school.
 - adults.
- ◆ **Leaders of Kidz Praise** (2^{yrs} to 2nd grade) and **Kidz Celebration** (2nd grade to 5th grade).
- ◆ **Hosts of family-building activities** (such as DVD seminars, special courses, etc.).

B. Life Groups Team

Facilitates community connection among Lake Cities members and visitors.

C. Spiritual Formation Team

Sets the curriculum and agenda for classes and activities. Emphasizes maturation in Christ.

SERVICE

"Bringing light into darkness" (Matt. 5:14-16)

A. Community Outreach Team

Oversees all aspects of local outreach.

- ◆ **First Contact Team** (*Meets, greets and connects visitors.*)
- ◆ **Outreach Team** (*Facilitates community outreach activities.*)
- ◆ **Special (Bridging) Events Team** (*Designs/organizes VBS, Trunk or Treat, etc.*).
- ◆ **Wee School** (*Serves community by offering mother's day out – Tuesdays and Thursdays.*)
- ◆ **VIP Team** (*Facilitates outreach to schools and parents.*)

B. Missions Ministry Team

Oversees foreign missions and liaises with local organizations supported by Lake Cities.

C. Service Team

Oversees all aspects of physical needs.

- ◆ **Hospitality Team** (*Provides for the needs of members and others*)
- ◆ **Maintenance Team** (*Maintains the church property.*)

SUPPORT MINISTRIES

Administration Team – *Oversees various administrative and maintenance functions.*

Shepherd Groups – *Groups of Lake Cities members overseen by allocated Shepherds.*

Church Health Team – *Oversees the ongoing maintenance of the Lake Cities vision through research and feedback of members.*

Planning for the Spirit

While the Lake Cities Vision at face value may appear to be structure and programs (if the diagram is anything to go by), we would like to assure you that the vision runs much deeper than this. We are taking great care to ensure that there is a healthy balance between organization and the leading of the Holy Spirit.



To avoid engaging in a disconnected and haphazard frenzy of activities, we seek through planning to coordinate our activities around a vision. And at the same time, we invite the Holy Spirit into our plans—a step that means allowing new life to be infused into ministries – as God sees fit.

If you need assistance to help you:

- ◆ understand anything at all concerning the Lake Cities Vision and the various ministry opportunities offered,
- ◆ figure out which ministry might be best suited for you,
- ◆ discover your spiritual gifts, passions and abilities that would help you make the right choices,

Call the Lake Cities office at 817-430-1161 or email info@lakecitieschurch.com and we will put you in contact with someone who will be happy to assist you.

Let us help you to engage in the body life of this church and receive the blessings of the Lord that comes through serving others.

Ministry Opportunities at Lake Cities Church of Christ

Name _____ . Contact number _____

Check the place/s you would like to serve in or are interested in knowing more about and place this form in the "Ministries" box in the foyer. The Lake Cities staff will contact you in connection with your response. For more information on each of these ministries, email the office at info@lakecitieschurch.com or go to lakecitieschurch.com and click on "Lake Cities Vision."

WORSHIP "Honoring God by edifying each other" (I Cor. 14:26)

A. **Assembly Worship Team** (includes Worship Planning Team, Praise Team, Communion Team, Media Team)

Needs:

_____ **Assembly Worship Planning Team:** Meets on Wednesday evenings. Needs people with ideas and input to produce excellence in the assembly worship.

_____ **Praise Team** needs members to sing parts. Practice at 8am on Sundays if singing that morning.

Media Team needs members who can:

_____ Help run the audio-visual equipment.

_____ Gather information needed to be communicated. (This will include reminding the ministries for material, checking with the staff and elders, and passing this information to the Media Team for presentation. It will include showcasing members and ministries through testimonials, etc.).

_____ Keeping the pictorial directory updated. (This will include taking pictures, keeping up with members' status, etc.)

B. **Prayer Team.**

Needs:

_____ Members who will intentionally and constantly pray for all aspects of Lake Cities members and ministries. Organized prayer times and activities for the whole church will be part of what this ministry does.

BODY LIFE "Discipling disciple-makers" (II Tim. 2:2)

A. **Family Ministry Team** (includes church family, nuclear families, teachers, and facilitators)

Needs:

_____ **Family Ministry Planning Team** needs people with ideas and input to produce excellence in all aspects of church family ministry – including classes, fellowship activities, etc.

_____ Teachers and co-teachers for elementary school children.

_____ Teachers and co-teachers for middle school – Transformers.

_____ Teachers and co-teachers for high school – Refuge.

_____ Teachers and co-teachers for adult Bible classes.

_____ Kidz Praise and Kidz Celebration facilitators. This will be done during the Message time on Sundays. Teams will rotate.

_____ Facilitators of various family-building activities (such as DVD seminars, conferences, studies through workbooks, outings, benevolence projects, etc.).

B. **Life Groups Team**

Needs:

_____ Life Group leaders and co-leaders.

_____ Life Group members who will be willing to host, lead worship and devotionals, and remind the group about the "empty chair."

C. **Spiritual Formation Team.**

_____ **Needs** members who will help design and implement short term and long term Bible classes and activities for all Lake Cities members, with the express purpose of growing to be more Christ-like.

SERVICE “Bringing light into darkness” (Matt. 5:14-16)

A. Community Outreach Team (includes First Contact Team, Outreach Team, Bridging Events Team, Wee School Team and VIP Team)

Needs:

- _____ Greeting visitors at the door.
- _____ Connecting visitors with Lake Cities families to “chaperone” them for the morning
- _____ Inviting visitors to meals after worship assembly.
- _____ Mailing cards and making calls to visitors.
- _____ Physically visit people who visited Lake Cities, door knock to hand out flyers, engage in community events, etc.
- _____ Brainstorm and oversee volunteers for events such as Easter, Trunk or Treat, Breakfast with Santa, VBS, etc.
- _____ Volunteers for the **Wee School Team** which serves the community by offering mother’s day out on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Can volunteer for one or both days if preferred.
- _____ Volunteers for the **VIP Team** which needs help with oversight of children after school hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Can volunteer for one, two or three days if preferred.

B. Missions Ministry Team

Needs:

- _____ Overseeing of the needs of missionaries supported by Lake Cities. This will include meeting some Wednesday evenings and to help with missions Sunday once a year.

C. Service Team (includes Hospitality Team and Maintenance Team)

Needs:

- _____ Providing for the physical needs of members and others – by way of meals and other means.
- _____ Maintenance of the church property.

SUPPORT MINISTRIES

A. Administration Team (includes administrative and maintenance functions)

Needs:

- _____ Members able to help handle the financial records (budget, etc.).
- _____ Members able to develop and build needed furnishings and sets for projects (such as VBS) and develop the church grounds.

B. Church Health Team

Needs:

- _____ Members willing to reevaluate and oversee the overall focus and direction of all ministries according to the Lake Cities mission, values and vision. The constant gathering of data and recommendations will be necessary.

GATHERING TIMES

Sunday

Bible Class 9:00A.M.

Worship 10:00A.M.

Wednesday

Bible Class 6:30P.M.

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