SERVE LOCALLY





INTRODUCTION

At the opening of Acts 1, verse 8 tells us of Jesus' final sentence spoken to his followers before ascending into heaven. His words were a message of "go and tell," not a message of "come and see."

We are meant to be witnesses of the gospel and God's goodness on this earth. We are made to give glory to His name.

Luke 10:29-37 describes the love of a Samaritan man toward a Jew, who would have been a great enemy to him. That kind of perfect love is the love that motivated Jesus to die for us to pay for all our sins and restored relationship with the Father.

As those walking with Jesus, we will overcome the enemy through the blood of Jesus Christ and the word of our testimony. You do not have to preach the Bible from a stage or have an official ministry title in order to be a good neighbor. You do not have to be polished and a finished work to be used by Jesus; he simply needs our "yes" on the table.

We pray that Jesus motivates you with His love for your neighbors, and that you'll see your neighbors as fellow image bearers.



MINISTRY INFORMATION CENTRAL

ADULT/FAMILY MINISTRIES



The FACT (Foster & Adoption Care Team) ministry provides support and encouragement to church members who are currently involved in foster care or adoption or desire to start the process. FACT also provides on-ramps to individuals, families, and small groups to support foster and adoptive families.



Greater Spartanburg Ministries (GSM) is a faith-based organization that's dedicated to helping those in need in our local community. Through our serving and sharing the Word of God, we strive to meet the needs of our neighbors through the food pantry, thrift store, utility bill assistance and the Gospel.



English Crossing works to teach English as a second language while also using the time as a platform to share the Gospel with internationals. As a faith based ministry, they exist to build trusting, long term relationships with local internationals and disciple them with the gospel of Jesus Christ. With thousands of international neighbors here in the Upstate, there are many ways you can be on mission with English Crossing.



Ethnic Outreach is a ministry that reaches the nations in our local community. This ministry includes visiting places such as restaurants and the camp croft area to build relationships with the people of the different ethnic groups and religious beliefs in order to serve and share the Gospel. Outreach events and Bible studies are utilized as tools to build those relationships and to learn more about the people.



His Storehouse is a ministry of Church at The Mill that embraces neighbors in need with caring relationships by providing household care bags filled with items such as cleaning products and hygiene products. Neighbors in need are those in our community who do not have access to life's daily necessities and volunteers have an opportunity to build relationships with neighbors while helping assist with daily needs.



JUMPSTART disciples current and former prisoners and assists with re-entry to society. We accomplish our mission through Community Partnerships to address the spiritual, educational, employment, healthcare, housing, and family relationship needs.



Miracle Hill is an emergency shelter that serves a multitude of people experiencing homelessness, including men, women and mothers with children. Housed in separate wings, individuals receive the basic needs of shelter, food, and clothing along with counseling, educational opportunities and discipleship.



Mobile Meals has members of our community dedicate time each weekday to deliver a nutritious, hot meal to our homebound neighbors throughout Spartanburg. Mobile Meals is much more than a meal. Mobile Meals to deliver love, compassion and hope to our neighbors in need.

world relief*

World Relief Upstate assists refugee individuals and their families as they face a new realities by providing gospel-centered assistance to help them meet their needs such as housing, transportation, employment assistance, mental health support, and more.

CHILDREN/STUDENTS



Backpack Buddies works to serve kids in the Woodruff area. This ministry fills in the gap for students who are unable to get food at home during the weekends when they are not receiving school lunches.



Carolina Pregnancy Center provides pregnancy services to mothers, babies, and their families. They minister to women, men, and families who are considering or going through abortion, adoption and parenting. CPC offers services and mentorship programs for fathers through their Dad to Dad program. Grief consultations are also offered for those who have experienced miscarriage or previous abortions.



Cru reaches students on college campuses with the Gospel and helps them grow through discipleship. Their goal on college campuses is that they want every student to hear about the gospel of Jesus Christ and want to help students grow in their relationship with Him.



FCA is a national ministry that works through local schools to reach students for Christ. They currently need individuals to be FCA character coaches and small groups to love on particular teams during their season. This is a great opportunity for individuals to support students while sharing the gospel with them.



Good News Club is a ministry that is part of Child Evangelism Fellowship here in the Upstate. They host fun, evangelistic, after-school Bible clubs that meet once per week on the campuses of public elementary schools in our community



Hope Center for Children (HCFC) is to build stable, healthy families and to provide children a safe place from abuse and neglect. They provide hope to children and families through providing counseling and housing.



Hope Remains Ranch provides counseling, therapy sessions, and Biblical-based mentorship through equine therapy. They serve local children, adults, and families to focus on healing with trauma resolution and marriage and family counseling. Additionally, they focus on various behavioral diagnoses including ADHD, ADD, Oppositional Defiant Disorder, anxiety, depression, PTSD, and others.



Sidewalk Hope is a mobile children's church making weekly, year-round visits to low-income housing developments within the inner-city of Spartanburg, SC. Using a modified box truck with a drop-down side that converts into a stage, Sidewalk Hope takes the gospel of Christ to children directly where they live. Each visit consists of praise and worship, Bible teaching, scripture memory, games, a meal or healthy snack, and individual or group prayer time.



Upward Sports is a sports ministry for students. Coaches are needed for sports teams to both coach and share the gospel with kids.

SEASONAL MINISTRIES



The South Carolina Baptist Convention coordinates non-local responses. There are opportunities for individuals to be trained in chaplaincy, children's response, mud-out, shower/laundry, chainsaw and more. Small groups also can respond to local needs such as ice storms, flooding, and tornadoes as they come through different seasons during the year.



Operation Christmas Child is a seasonal ministry through Samaritan's Purse that provides shoeboxes full of Christmas gifts to children all over the world. This is a great opportunity for small groups and individuals to serve our neighbors around the world. Usually boxes are distributed during October and collected in November to then be mailed internationally.

We'd love for you to join us in serving locally!

To receive more information about serving at any of these ministry partners, scan the QR code below to fill out our form or contact us at **missions@ churchatthemill.com** and you will be connected with the relationship coordinator for that ministry.



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