

Welcome to the missions and ministries of Glenkirk! We would love to have you take part in building the kingdom of God on earth with us!

Here are the ongoing ways that our church family seeks to love the world in Jesus' name. There are ministries for every interest, passion, or personal gift you might have, so please browse through and prayerfully consider what God might be calling you to. Every ministry represents an effort that our ministry leaders have made to eagerly and effectively meet the needs of people in our own backyards and around the globe. Every ministry is in need of willing volunteers with open hearts and energetic minds to create a better world together. You'll find a place for you within these pages.

Creative service is one of the surest ways to grow in faith. Volunteering for a ministry of the church is a way to tell God, "Here I am! Use me!" And God eagerly responds to those kinds of prayers. This is how we become the people that God means for us to be. For the sake of the world around us and for the sake of our own spiritual growth, let's dive in to the life of faith together!

Thanks for your willingness, and God bless you!

Jim Miller

As you will notice, “Current needs” are listed in **BOLD** for this six-month period. Though these are our expressed needs, we are happy to talk to you about any ways that you desire to serve. If you want to get involved, please call Arleen in the **CONNECTIONS** Dept. in the church office at 626/914-4833, ext. 128 or e-mail akaye@glenkirkchurch.org

ADMINISTRATION

COUNTING MINISTRY

The function of the Counting Ministry is to count and validate the gifts and offerings of the congregation every Monday morning. Servants called to the Counting Ministry are discrete and accurate, for as Paul said, *“We take this course so that no one should blame us about this generous gift that is being administered by us, for we aim at what is honorable not only in the Lord’s sight but also in the sight of man.”* 2 Cor 8:20-21

BULLETIN TEAM

When the need arises to have inserts in the bulletin or just help out in the office by assembling pamphlets such as the Devo, a group of women meets in the staff break room on a Friday morning to offer their services and have a wonderful opportunity to fellowship.

Current needs: Always open to new team members

ADULT PROGRAM SERVICES

(Becoming who we are meant to be in Christ)

SMALL GROUPS

To become who we are meant to be, we must engage in community. Small groups (3-15 people) meet in homes on a regular basis and study together, serve together, pray for and support each other.

Current needs: Small Group leaders to facilitate meetings. Contact Philip Cross at pcross@glenkirkchurch.org

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

On Sunday mornings adults are invited to attend various Bible Studies to learn how to grow in our walk with Christ and become who we were meant to be. Classes vary throughout the year, and are not limited to Emmaus, Home Builders, Emerging Adults and Single Adults Bible Studies.

DEVO’S

Daily Devotionals are written by and for Glenkirk church members on a weekly basis to support the weekly sermons and guide us in our reflection, and walk with Christ through the week.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

GWBS (Glenkirk Women's Bible Study) meets weekly on Wednesdays from mid-September through May. This is a great time to meet new people and rekindle old friendships with Christian women as we study the Bible.

Current needs: Snack table set up and clean up, greeters for the months of September and January, worship music, piano player, and sound and equipment set up.

CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other)

CAMEO is a time for women to come together to laugh, to share, to encourage one another and to enjoy the gift of time with each other in the company of Christ. It is a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor to experience the joy and fun that comes with the fellowship of Christian women.

Current needs: Teach a craft or hobby, prepare snacks, set up and clean up.

WOMEN'S REFRESH – April, 2010 - It is time to take the weekend just for you to refresh, rejuvenate, relax and replenish.

Current needs: Plan and participate in preparation for the weekend which would include bulk mail preparation, registration, planning activities, food and programs.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION – December 2, 2009 This is a wonderful beginning to the holiday season. It is an invitation to our friends, loved ones and neighbors to share in the beautiful story of Christ's birth.

Current needs: Help with programs, mailers, and registration.

G.A.L.S. – (Get A Life Sisters) is for single, divorced, and widowed women over 50. They meet on the second Friday of each month.

Current need: Help at the GALS Patio table on Sundays.

SINGLES

SINGLES WITH A MISSION - As singles and single parents at Glenkirk, we see our mission as following God's lead and direction to strengthen, support and encourage other singles and single parents, within Glenkirk Church in the San Gabriel Valley and beyond. We provide a "Place of Grace" to anyone who is single or a single parent who finds himself or herself in either of these "seasons."

Current needs: Plan and host a Saturday activity, participate in planning the Christmas party, provide rides for others who are not able.

S A M S (SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES)

Seniors strive to provide support and encourage senior adults to be a part of the Biblically functioning community of Glenkirk as fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

SAC – (Seniors After Church)

Enjoy a great fellowship and catered luncheons on the first Sunday of the month in Fellowship Hall. Special outings are also scheduled to musical events, museums, etc.

Current needs: set up or clean up for luncheon, launder tablecloths, telephone committee, provide rides to seniors and cashier.

PITCH IN – Meet once a month on the third Tuesday of the month for wonderful fellowship, informative programs, birthday celebrations and much more.

Current needs: Program scheduling, set up and clean up launder tablecloths, cashier, provide rides to others who are not able to drive, and telephone committee.

SINGING SAINTS - Praise God in song. This group visits Foothill Skilled Nursing Home on the third Sunday of each month and puts a smile on their faces.

Current needs: Sing, and pray during the service.

COMPASSION IN ACTION - Visit Gladstone Nursing Home with “Compassion in Action” Organization

Current needs: Visit seniors in various nursing facilities, drive seniors to doctor’s appointments, drive seniors to Church, and help with childcare one Sunday a month.

MEN’S MINISTRY

Glenkirk men meet on the third Saturday of each month for breakfast and a program in an effort to evangelize, enable, encourage and mentor men to obey God’s directed will within their families, church and community. There are also weekly small groups just for men.

Current needs: Plan and/or organize a service project, set up or clean up after breakfast, and cashier.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRIES

NURSERY

Nursery care provided for babies newborn thru age 2. Parents can attend church services while their little ones are cared for by a team that provides a safe and loving atmosphere where they are sung to and cuddled.

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN

Children ages 3 yrs old thru Kindergarten “experience” the morning’s lesson through the interactive “Lil K” curriculum, followed by craft time, fellowship and a group discussion led by their Classroom Leaders.

Current needs: Sunday School classroom leader and small group leaders, and greeters for Sunday mornings.

ELEMENTARY

Ages 1st thru 5th grade “experience” the morning’s lesson through the interactive Kidmo curriculum, followed by small group or classroom discussion on how Bible stories relate to their everyday lives led by Classroom Leaders.

Current needs: Sunday School classroom leader and Sunday School small group leaders, greeters for Sunday mornings.

CENTER KIDS

Parallel teaching on the morning’s sermon for elementary aged children to empower families with discussion tools for the week.

Current needs: Sunday School small group leaders.

AWANA

This is a Christ-centered, youth-oriented program which features game time and Bible messages with a special emphasis on memorizing Scripture. Meets Wednesdays from September thru May for children ages 3 years old thru 5th grade.

SONSHINE CHOIR

Children 4 years old thru 3rd grade meet weekly from October thru June to learn new songs, and about God’s love. This group sings for the congregation several times throughout the year.

MOPS

For mothers of children ages 6 years and younger, this is a place for sharing, encouragement, and support. Meetings are every other week, and the program runs from September thru May. Childcare is available, as well as a MOPPETS classroom curriculum for children, 3 – 6 years old.

VBS

Kids ages 4 years old thru 5th grade look forward to attending this event each year for an exciting week of crafts, games, waterslides, a daily Bible lesson and worship with a LIVE band! This year we expect 500 children to attend. This event includes 150 youth volunteers and over 50 adult volunteers! Sign ups for youth counselors begin in March, adult volunteer sign ups begin in mid April. Station Leaders join the team as early as Fall preceding the next VBS.

GOOD NEWS CLUB

Glenkirk's Good News Clubs are a collaborative project between Glenkirk's Children's Ministry team and Child Evangelism Fellowship, a Christian organization dedicated to children's ministry. The club itself is an after-school program that teaches children about the Bible, God's plan for them and how God's Word can enrich their lives. Clubs are currently taking place after school at Sellers and Cullen Elementary. To find out how you can support this program or how to get involved, contact kids@glenkirkchurch.org

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY CARE

DEACONS

We have 56 ordained Deacons serving this year who were elected by the congregation. They are divided into 6 teams: Intercession (Prayer Line, Prayer Vigils and Prayer Warriors), Communion (set up communion first weekend of each month), Ministry of Love (provides funeral buffets and meals for those home from the hospital), Financial Assistance (provides short term emergency relief to congregation and community), Hospital Visitation (visits those who are ill or in the hospital), Community Outreach (sponsors various outreach efforts).

USHERS

Ushers are the people who are on the front lines for making sure our visitors feel welcome and assist with the smooth flow of the worship services.

Current needs: Ushers for all services

LAY COUNSELORS

We have Lay Counselors available if you need someone to talk to. They receive training in Biblical counseling and are taught and supervised by licensed therapists who teach them basic clinical skills. About 50% of our clients are from the community and this ministry has served well as an outreach.

FINANCIAL FREEDOM MINISTRY

This ministry seeks to honor God by educating people on the Biblical principles of money management and training them in the practical application of these principles in their personal finances. This team sponsors two seminars a year, and provides budget counselors for people in need and referral resources.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Glenkirk provides space for several AA, Narcotics Anonymous and Al-Anon for Women groups. Community Care also sponsors an ongoing Divorce Recovery group with two workshops a year.

WINTER HOMELESS SHELTER

Every January we participate for two weeks with the East San Gabriel Valley Homeless Coalition to house the homeless at Glenkirk. This requires close to 700 volunteers to cook, serve, make lunches, clean up, launder towels, monitor showers, provide medical personnel, and contribute over 1200 food items for dinner. This is a huge effort and gives our congregation a meaningful way to serve a very needy population. Sign-ups to help during the homeless shelter begin in late October.

Current needs: People to volunteer to do sign-ups on the patio

COMMUNITY CARE PARTNERS WITH SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS AS PART OF OUR LOCAL MISSION EFFORT. WE PROVIDE FUNDING AND ENCOURAGE OUR MEMBERS TO SERVE OUTSIDE OUR CHURCH THROUGH THESE MINISTRIES:

- **The Shepherd's Pantry** provides emergency food relief to people in the communities of Glendora, Azusa, San Dimas, La Verne, Covina and West Covina.
- **The Azusa Homework Houses** provide after school tutoring/mentoring to children in the Azusa School District.
- **Stepping Stones for Women** is a transitional home for formerly homeless women and first time mothers, where they learn skills that lead them to emotional, physical and spiritual health.
- **GRIP (Glenkirk Reaching Into Prisons)** is dedicated to bringing the freedom of a relationship with Jesus Christ to those who have lost their freedom, through weekly Bible study chaplain services, and counseling.
- **Mecado Ministries** provides ongoing support services to parolees and their families.
- **Compassion In Action** assists low-income, disabled community members with access to the medical and disability services they need.
- **Harambee Ministries** in Pasadena includes the Harambee Christian Family Center and the Harambee Preparatory School.

Go to www.glenkirkchurch.org for a direct link to these local service organizations.

Current needs: People interested in volunteering off campus with one of our local partnering organizations. (See web site for specifics.)

CONNECTIONS MINISTRY

This equipping ministry exists to help people find meaningful places to serve others and feel connected to our church family. We annually sponsor a Saturday Morning "Barn-Raising" Work Day (August). Our team is on the patio Sunday mornings to answer questions and provide ways to get started in ministry. Several times a year, we hold the *CONNECTIONS*

Discovery Class, which is designed to help you find the best way to use your gifts, both inside and outside the church, and to make a difference in the world.

EVANGELISM

Evangelism Team: Helping, encouraging, training people to be intentionally developing relationships with the unchurched to reveal and invite people into God's Kingdom.

- Basics of Christianity class: *ALPHA*
- Canning Hunger – Collecting food to be distributed to the hungry through the Shepherd's Pantry
- Foothill Presbyterian Hospital Spring 5K Run
- Family Fun Day and Classic Car Show
- Glendora Day at the Los Angeles County Fair
- Connection Center
- Invitation cards to Christmas & Easter Worship Services
- Mailings to New Owners
- Tri-fold brochure is updated monthly and lists Special Events, Ministries and Activities
- Weekly press releases to local newspapers and box ads
- Fall Evangelistic Breakfast
- Glendora Christmas Parade
- Letters, calls and email to first-time visitors
- Greeters

Current needs: First-time visitor callers, Evangelism Team planners, Connection Center hosts, community event greeters.

FACILITIES

Glenkirk's campus encompasses over nine acres involving a lot of maintenance, gardening, cleaning, and setting-up rooms for numerous activities that take place every day of the week. We also take care of the audio and video requirements for church services and programs. Every year in August, we look forward to our "Barn Raising Work Day," where we accomplish many large and small projects all around the campus, and follow it with a great BBQ lunch and fellowship.

Current needs: People to run computers or audio equipment for classroom presentations or people who would like to come up and work alongside our eight great employees on various tasks during the week.

FAMILY LIFE

HOMEBUILDERS - A class to strengthen and build strong families and marriages for parents with children birth to high school on Sunday mornings.

FAMILY MEXICO MISSION TRIP – This is a great opportunity for families to go on a mission trip together and really make a difference in the lives of the poor.

FAMILY FUN DAY AND CLASSIC CAR SHOW – Will be held June, 2010. There will be a Children’s Fun Zone, entertainment, food stands and 150+ classic cars, hot rods and custom cars. There will also be a trophy and awards ceremony. Prizes will be given throughout the day.

FAMILY CAMP – Families are encouraged to attend Family Camp at Forest Home in the summer of 2010. (Dates to be announced.)

GLOBAL IMPACT

CHINLE, ARIZONA For many years we have sent mission teams to the Navajo reservation to teach Vacation Bible School (VBS) to the children as well as to assist with various work projects at Trinity Presbyterian Church. In addition, some of the women on the team have provided a small group Bible Study that is held during the VBS in an effort to teach the moms and grandmothers more about Jesus Christ. In recent years our ministry to the people of Chinle has spread to the Chinle Nursing Home where we visit and care for the elderly residents. Two teams go out each year – the summer team teaches VBS, holds a women’s Bible Study, and completes work projects, and the winter team delivers the Christmas gifts gathered through our Shepherd Tree Project for the families and elderly.

Current needs: Team members and prayer partners for December 2009

ECUADOR This mission trip to the orphanages of For His Children (FHC) in Quito and Latacunga Ecuador began in 2007. Much of the time is spent holding, hugging, caring for and playing with some of God’s special little children, as well as showing them His love.

Current needs: Team members and Prayer Partners for 2010

INDIA We are in the new stages of developing and sending teams through Glad Tidings India and India Bible Literature. We are excited to be a part of delivering the Word of God in a tangible way to the unreached people groups in India. Come join us.

Current needs: Team members and Prayer Partners for 2010

KENYA Our partnership in Kenya is with the Presbyterian Church of East Africa Tumutumu Hospital, as well as their related entities, such as the Mahiga Dispensary and Maternity Wing, the Kiaruhiu Dispensary and Maternity Wing, and the Tumutumu School for Hearing Impaired Children, among others. Since 1999 we have sent teams each with different purposes and each team member with a different set of tasks, including but not limited to HIV/AIDS education, work projects, leadership workshops

for men and women, medical work, and Vacation Bible School. Come join us.

Current needs: Team members and Prayer Partners for 2010

UKRAINE – Donetsk Christian University (DCU) This mission trip to serve as teachers' aides at DCU in an English Intensive class. This class is offered in July each year for the local population as well as for the students and staff of the Donetsk Christian University. Come join us.

Current needs: Team members and Prayer Partners for 2010

DAT – Disaster Assistance Team enables our congregation to partner with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and other service agencies –local, national, and international – to bear witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities affected by crises and catastrophic events. In addition, through DAT specialized training is provided periodically for community emergency response. This valuable training addresses topics such as disaster preparedness, fire suppressions, medical operations and principles of triage, light search and rescue, disaster psychology and organization, terrorism, and disaster simulation drill activity. Come join us.

Current needs: Team members on a monthly basis

ORPHAN SPONSORSHIPS: The Glenkirk Congregation currently has the opportunity to sponsor 141 students at the Tumutumu School for Hearing Impaired Children in Karatina, Kenya, East Africa. We are currently developing our sponsorship program to include For His Children orphans in Ecuador, orphans at the Joyce Scott Memorial Center and Orphanage in India, and orphans in Kiev, Ukraine.

Current needs: Team members to coordinate, administer, and assist with the sponsorship program.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – SAMARITAN'S PURSE: This project provides an opportunity for all ages in our congregation to participate in bring joy and hope to children around the world.

Current needs: Team members to coordinate, administer, and assist with this program.

LIVING CHRISTMAS MARKET: This alternative gift market is held annually on campus the first Sunday in November and includes our ongoing campus ministries. Take part in this alternative to the consumer frenzy that has changed the Christmas season. The gifts available for purchase through this alternative gift market bring hope and new life to poor, hurting, and hungry people with great potential all over the world. These life changing, world changing gifts are available for purchase November through December, on the patio or in the Church Office.

Current needs: Team members to help coordinate, administer, and assist with this program.

SHEPHERD TREE: Change the way you think this Christmas. What can you buy for the person who has everything? Instead of purchasing gifts for family members and friends, provide a Christmas gift or gifts to a Navajo child in Chinle, Arizona, and/or to an elderly resident of the Chinle Nursing Home. Sign-ups to provide a gift or gifts will begin at our annual Living Christmas Market on the first Sunday in November. All gifts purchased are collected through December 10, then organized to be taken to Chinle the week before Christmas.

Current needs: Team members to help coordinate, administer, and assist with this program.

In addition, GLOBAL IMPACT reaches out nationally and internationally to various mission sites, missionaries and mission sending organizations with financial and prayer support as well as in some cases by sending mission teams in an effort to share the love of Jesus Christ to a hurting world.

- **African Enterprise** – Monrovia, California and Africa
- **Arabic Broadcasting Service** – Duarte, CA and Worldwide
- **Campus Crusade for Christ** – San Francisco, California
- **Donetsk Christian University** – Donetsk, Ukraine
- **For His Children** – Ecuador
- **Glad Tidings India** – India
- **Go Ye Fellowship** – Germany Hope Now for Youth, Inc. – Fresno, California
- **InterVarsity Christian Fellowship** – Claremont and Los Angeles
- **Medical Benevolence Foundation** – Tumutumu Hospital – Africa
- **The Navigators** – World Wide
- **Trinity Presbyterian Church** – Chinle Arizona
- **World Impact** – Los Angeles
- **World Vision** – West Virginia
- **Wycliffe Bible Translators** – World Wide
- **Youth with a Mission** – Missouri and World Wide

Links to the above mission organizations can be found on our website at go to www.glenkirkchurch.org under “Ministries – Global Outreach – Partners”. See web site under “Global Outreach” for more Global Impact information and to further see how you might become involved.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRIES

The Junior High Group meets on Sunday mornings for Sunday School, and Wednesday nights for Youth Group. There are also special events throughout the year for junior highers. The junior high calendar is posted online.

- **Winter Camp.** We go to Forest Home Winter Camp every February. Sign-ups begin in November and often fill up within a couple of days. Students love having the opportunity to spend a couple of days in the mountains hearing dynamic speakers, and taking some time to focus on their relationship with God.

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

The High School Group meets on Sunday mornings for Sunday School, and Wednesday nights for Youth Group. During the school year, Wednesday nights are our discipleship nights. We worship together and meet in small groups. There are also special events throughout the year for high schoolers. The high school calendar is posted online.

- **Winter Camp** We go to Forest Home Winter Camp every February. Sign-ups begin in November and often fill up within a couple of days. Students love having the opportunity to spend a couple of days in the mountains, hearing dynamic speakers, and taking some time to focus on their relationship with God.
- **Yearly Mission Trip** This year we are sending a mission team of thirty people to West Virginia in July. We always need help fundraising!

COLLEGE AGE MINISTRIES

The College Group meets in small groups on Tuesday evenings.

- **College Briefing.** At the end of every summer, we have a College Briefing at Forest Home. This is a time for the students to grow closer to God and one another.
- **Campus Small Group Studies.** Weekly bible studies on APU, Cal Poly, Citrus, and Mt. SAC campuses.
- **Yearly Mission Trip** Dates and location to be announced.

COLLEGE MINISTRIES

The College Group meets on Tuesday nights for Fellowship every week. That time is filled with Bible study, in-depth theology, service nights, and prayer. There are also special events throughout the year for college students. The college calendar is posted online.

- **College Briefing.** At the end of every summer, we have a College Briefing at Forest Home. This is a time for the students to grow closer to God and one another.
- **Campus Bible Studies.** Weekly bible studies on APU, Cal Poly, Citrus, and Mt. SAC campuses.

INTERNS

We have two interns on staff in Student Ministries; one in the high school group and one in the junior high group. The interns are responsible for helping with the organization process of events, as well as participating in group activities. This is a vital part of our ministry, as our interns often become mentors and role models to our students.

Current needs: Our numerous activities keep us very busy throughout the year, and we often are in need of volunteers for student activities and special events. (It is required that our volunteers go through an application process, as they are often involved in various functions with the students.) Let us know if you are interested in serving in our Student Ministries.

WORSHIP—MUSIC AND ARTS

Glenkirk has a wonderful tradition of exceptional music and art programs. Our ministry includes our sanctuary choir, worship teams (sanctuary, 11:11 Wednesday & Saturday night), organist, soloists, instrumentalists for special music, as well as actors, readers and other creative people. The Sanctuary Choir performs in a number of concerts and special events and assists in worship at our weekly services. Our worship teams consist of both singers and instrumentalists who serve on a rotating schedule.

Current Needs: We are always looking for even more talented people to be involved in our various ministries. Most notably, anyone interested in joining the choir is encouraged to contact our Choir Director for details.

If you are an instrumentalist, contact Eric in the office.

We are also in need of creative people who are interested in helping make videos an even more dynamic part of our worship service. Experience in writing, filming, video editing, graphics, and team coordination is especially helpful.

We wish to continue to broaden the scope of our worship and the pool of artists involved. Anyone with talent in the fine arts who is willing to serve with his or her gifts is encouraged to contact us.