

Stephen Ministry First Baptist Greenville

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TO: Stephen Ministry Applicants for 2022 Training

FROM: Stephen Ministry Leadership Team

SUBJECT: Stephen Ministry Applications/Training Dates

Stephen Ministry applications are now available at the reception desk and online at the FBG website under SERVE. The Stephen Ministry Leadership Team encourages your prayerful consideration of volunteering for this important ministry that trains laypeople to provide one-on-one Christian care for hurting people in our congregation and community. Applications for the 2022 training are due on or before December 10, 2021, and questions may be directed to members of the leadership team: Wofford Green, Hazel Harris, Duke McCall, or Pat Booker Christy.

Volunteering for this important ministry requires a major commitment, but it is one that is sure to provide valuable rewards in the areas of spiritual, personal, and relational growth. Training will take place from 5:45-8:00 PM each Tuesday evening beginning on January 11 and ending on April 26. (No training on February 22, March 22 and April 19.) Two six-hour training retreats will be held on Saturday, February 26 and Saturday, March 26. After the new Stephen Ministers complete the 50 hours of training and are commissioned, they will join the Stephen Ministry team and participate in on-going continuing education and peer supervision from 5:00-7:30 PM on the first and third Sundays of each month, mid-September through early June. Volunteers are expected to attend the training sessions; however, we realize that other responsibilities might necessitate an occasional absence. When that occurs, a leader will provide a one-on-one shortened tutorial lesson. Please add all of these dates to your calendar.

All training materials are provided through a generous gift by the late Michael Stogner, who was a Stephen Minister. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of becoming a Stephen Minister. Please direct any questions to: Wofford Green, Hazel Harris, Duke McCall or Pat Booker Christy, members of the leadership team.