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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY IN THE LOUISVILLE AREA

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BCM International Ministry

The Baptist Campus Ministry at the University of Louisville is seeking language partners for new and incoming international students. This opportunity would require a single student or couple to establish contact with an international student and build a relationship with the hopes of sharing the gospel, while helping them make the transition to living in the United States and helping them with their English.

Location of Opportunity:
Baptist Campus Ministry: University of Louisville

Time Requirement:
It is preferred that you meet with the student approximately once a week, at a place of mutual agreement.

Contact Information:
If interested, Riley Byers will be your initial contact. He can be contacted at the following email address: riley.mac.byers@gmail.com or rbyers789@students.sbts.edu
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Inner City Outreach and Tutoring

Guiding Light Fellowship has several opportunities for ministry ranging from childcare activities, such as devotions, after school tutoring for children in the community, etc. They also have a desire to begin an Upward Basketball program in the Portland area, they will need Christian coaches and workers. There are also inner city opportunities for the homeless and those in need, such as transportation provision, food, etc.

**Location of Opportunity:**
Guiding Light Baptist Fellowship

**TIME REQUIREMENT:**
This could be a one-time service project or a continual ministry.

**Contact Information:**
Guiding Light Baptist Fellowship
3213 Portland Avenue
Louisville, KY 40212
(502) 778-2785
Pastor - John Matala
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Discipleship for Spanish Speakers

Spanish speakers are needed to work with partnering churches of Cuban Iglesia Baptista as they help these new churches grow and develop. The pastor, Yurian, will be your primary contact, and he will put you in touch with partnering pastors in need. He will also provide you with more details regarding descriptions of needs.

**Location of Opportunity:**
-Cuban Iglesia Baptista

**TIME REQUIREMENT:**
Cuban Iglesia Baptista will need long-term commitment (at least a semester).

**Contact Information:**
Cuban Iglesia Baptista
(502) 299-0580
Pastor - Yurian
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Kentucky Refugee Ministries

Volunteer opportunities range from tutoring clients in ESL, to setting up apartments for new arrivals, to doing practice interviews with people preparing for their citizenship interview.

Location of Opportunity:
Kentucky Refugee Ministries – Various areas around Louisville

TIME REQUIREMENT:
This could be a one-time service project or a continual ministry.

Contact Information:
Due to the nature of this outreach, please contact missions@spts.edu for additional information.
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After School Mentoring Program

There are several individual volunteer opportunities available at Americana. Volunteers can assist staff during the after school program, Monday – Friday, from 3:30 – 6:30 pm. The program provides a safe and educational environment for children in the South Louisville area, where they can come and receive help with homework and basic reading and writing skills. The program also provides several special activities for the children, including dance, drama, soccer, music, and step team. The After School program needs volunteers to assist children with homework, reading skills, as well as assist staff with supervising children in other special activities. For more information visit the website provided below.

Location of Opportunity:
Americana Community Center

TIME REQUIREMENT:
This could be a one-time service project or a continual ministry.

Contact Information:
Americana Community Center
4801 Southside Drive
Louisville, KY 40214
(502) 366-7813
http://www.amecomcen.org/index.asp
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Crisis Pregnancy and Discipleship

A Woman's Choice Resource Center, a crisis pregnancy ministry, is dedicated to presenting the gospel of our Lord in word and deed by educating women facing crisis pregnancies, responding to their needs, and protecting the lives of unborn children. Since 1988, their two pregnancy centers have addressed the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual welfare of women struggling with the concerns of sexual activity, crisis pregnancy, and abortion. A Woman’s Choice Resource Center helps women make positive choices for themselves and their children by providing counseling, pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, material assistance, and prayer. Opportunities include prayer ministry, desk reception, crisis pregnancy counseling, children’s ministry, mentoring, Bible studies, and more.

**Location of Opportunity:**
A Woman’s Choice Resource Center & Necole’s Place

**TIME REQUIREMENT:**
Time requirements will vary depending on area of service. However, both short-term and long-term opportunities are available.

**Contact Information:**
Charis Brown Volunteer Coordinator A Woman's Choice Resource Center & Necole's Place 502-589-9400
http://www.awomanschoice.org
Ministry to Single Moms

Hazelwood Elementary School serves roughly 450 students in Louisville’s south end. Over 90% of the students receive free or reduced lunch due to the low income status of their homes with the majority of families being headed by single moms. The Family Resource Center works directly with parents and students to address problems at home and at school that hinder children from being able to achieve at their highest potential. Examples of such problems include lack of basic needs, drug and alcohol abuse, lack of education and physical and mental health issues.

Opportunities for service include planning and implementing after school programs, coordinating parent workshops, helping with clerical work, fundraising and developing community contacts. Mentoring and tutoring opportunities are available as well. Most any kind of project can be developed that will work within the constraints of the volunteer’s time and area of interest.

Location of Opportunity:
Hazelwood Elementary School Family Resource Center
1325 Bluegrass Ave. Louisville, KY 40215

Time Requirement:
Time requirements will vary depending on area of service. However, both short-term and long-term opportunities are available.

Contact Information:
Annette Darnell
Family Resource Center Coordinator
502-485-8192 or 502-468-5680
annette.darnell@jefferson.kyschools.us
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Village Manor Apartment Outreach

Refugees including many Nepali and Indian peoples live at the Village Manor apartments. The managers of the complex are very open to Bible studies and outreach to the tenants. There is a large field on site for playing soccer. A meeting room is also available for hosting Bible studies and other activities. Many of these internationals are new to the U.S. and need help buying groceries and getting around town. Students may receive Applied Ministry credit for work here if they make arrangements with SBTS.

Location of Opportunity:
Village Manor Apartments

Time Commitment:
One time outreaches or ongoing ministry are available.

Contact Information:
Shane Burchfield
shaneburchfiel@yahoo.com
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Chronological Bible Storying and International Ministry

This opportunity is for students seeking to church plant and disciple internationals through Chronological Bible Storying among various people groups

Location of Opportunity:
Various places around Louisville

Time Commitment:
This is an ongoing ministry opportunity

Contact Information:
Due to the unique nature of this ministry, please contact missions@sibs.edu for more information and to set up an orientation.