

# WHAT YOU CAN DO

## Groups or Individuals

### Adopt A Homeless Person

- Provide rides to work, church, appointments.
- Provide shelter, food, hygiene products
- Offer friendship and discipleship

### Hold Drives

- Food
- Bibles & Tracts
- Toiletries
- First aid items
- Clothing & Coats
- Tents & Tarps
- Back Packs
- Blankets & Sleeping Bags

### Donate Meeting Space or Printing/Copying Services

### Support "CITW" Financially

### Join an outreach, providing one or more:

- Food
- Prayer
- Ministry
- Music
- Speakers/Teachers
- Medical Services
- Equipment
- Cook

### Other Volunteer Opportunities:

- Spanish Translation
- Bible Studies
- Musicians
- Evangelism Teams (day or night)
- Search & Rescue Teams in New Areas
- Volunteer Coordinators/Trainers
- Attorney
- Accountant
- Computer Assistant
- Church Liaison

### Tips on Helping the Homeless

- Be willing to stop and talk. Greet them as a family member. Pray for them. Take them to church.
- Recognize their value as a person. Respect is one of their greatest needs. Encourage them.
- Don't talk down to them or give them pity. They already feel bad enough about themselves.
- You don't have to give cash. Keep ziploc bags of personal items such as: socks, snacks, toiletries and fast-food coupons.
- Keep an extra blanket or sleeping bag in the trunk of your car. Gloves in the winter.

**"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Mt. 26:40**

**If you would like to learn more about Church In The Woods and our ministry to the poor and homeless, you can contact us at the numbers listed below or visit us at our website. We can also set up a time for Alice to speak at your church or group meeting.**

## CHURCH IN THE WOODS

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# Church In The Woods

## Ministry to the City



**"For the Son of Man came to seek and save what was lost."  
Luke 19:10**

# WHO WE ARE

"Church In The Woods" is an outreach ministry of InterSeed. InterSeed is a non-denominational Christian prayer organization that prays for specific needs involving our city, state and country.

"Church In The Woods" was born out of prayer teams going out onto the streets to pray for people "on location". Hands on ministry. The Bible says to leave the 99 and go find the one. Most agencies are not equipped to search for those in need. We are that tool.

Alice McGee, director of "CITW" visits the homeless along with volunteer team members. Teams bring food, toiletries, sleeping bags, clothing and love to the people they find. Counseling, prayer and friendship are also offered.

"Church In The Woods" is made up of dedicated volunteers who want to "touch" the lives of those in need. No one is beyond the reach of God, no matter how addicted or broken.



**"Therefore I command you to be openhanded to the poor and needy" Deut 15: 11**



**"The Spirit of the Lord is on me because he has anointed me to preach the good news to the poor" Isaiah 61:1**

# WHAT WE BELIEVE

- ♥ We believe in the value of every person as created by God. No matter what situation he is in or what he has done, there is forgiveness and restoration in Jesus Christ.
- ♥ We believe that the love of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit is sufficient for every need.
- ♥ We believe that we as Christians are the hands of God extended to touch others and that what we do for others we are doing it for Him.
- ♥ We believe that as Jesus' primary ministry was in the streets and carried to the people, we also should get out from behind the walls of our churches and bring church to the people.
- ♥ We believe that all Christians are members together of one church body in Christ, and so all Christians are welcome to minister with us to the poor and homeless.

# WHAT WE DO

- We explore wooded areas, streets, and under bridges to locate people in need.
- We provide clothing, toiletries, medical teams, showers, laundry, and serve meals on location throughout the area.
- We offer people an opportunity to receive salvation in Jesus Christ, spiritual discipleship, and host many weekly church services at outdoor locations around the county.
- We prayerfully support those who desire to come off drugs and alcohol, and reintegrate into society. We also help them connect with community assistance programs and low cost housing.
- As advocates we work with our local governments in creating programs and policies, and helping change laws that are discriminating to the homeless and poor of all nationalities.
- We work with at-risk children and families to grow them in Christ and keep them out of gangs and trouble.
- We work to educate churches and the public about the needs & conditions of the poor.



**"Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12**