

Central Baptist Church

Missions Newsletter

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Women's Shelter

An Interview with...Becky Woods



What brought you to this ministry?

This past Thanksgiving, I did not want to just do the family thing like always. My heart yearned for more. Brian and I found out about a church feeding the homeless on Thanksgiving Day. We realized we could start something like that here. Having no idea where to start we prayed and God led us to the Women's and Children's Shelter in Petersburg. We decided to feed the homeless in Petersburg on Christmas Eve. God had more planned for us to do there than just one meal. At the Good News Club one day during the lesson God showed me to do an Easter Egg Hunt at the shelter.

What was your most memorable experience of your service?

For the Easter Egg Hunt, I had organized the day over and over and couldn't decide how and when to tell the resurrection story using the resurrection eggs. I didn't want to seem pushy or to force the children to listen to the story. I decided to leave it up to God and let Him direct the event. After the children did crafts, I said to some of them I had a story if anyone wanted to come listen. At first it was just a couple children but after we did a couple of the eggs every child there had gathered to hear the resurrection story. They were all engaged, answering and asking questions. It was overwhelming seeing God move and draw the children to hear about His Son, Jesus Christ. God has called me to do more than donate food and clothing to the shelter. He has called me to share the love of Christ.

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What other missions or service project are you involved in or are important to you?

I currently help with Good News Club at Midway which is a ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship. I have been a part of this ministry for the past 5 years during that time I have been able to counsel some children that were struggling in their faith and lead some children to Christ. It truly is a blessing to be part of Central where the people truly have a heart for missions and serving the community. Everyone is so quick to come alongside and offer help, support and ideas for different ministries. Thank you for the opportunity to serve here at Central Baptist.

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Opportunities to serve now

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| Sonshine Ladies | Honduras | Carpenter's Sons |
| Women's Shelter | Midway | Food Pantry |
| Benevolence | Operation Christmas Child | Bereavement |
| Youth Christmas Family | Christmas Blessing (Samaritan's Purse) | Christmas Sharing |
| DHS Football dinners | | |

Opportunities to lead a new mission

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| Big Brother/Sister | Jail Ministry | Juvenile Court Ordered Community Service |
| WHF Ballfield Ministry | Teaching life skills ministry (money management, home repair, cooking, parenting 101, and etc.) | |

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