

Mt. Juliet Church of Christ

Serving Our Savior because of His love for us...

SOS

Name _____ Date _____

Connecting you to God's family and work through:

A Availability

G Gifts

A Abilities

P Passions

E Existing Ministries

S.O.S. - Serving Our Savior

We rejoice in your decision to serve and worship with the Mt. Juliet Church of Christ! Whether you are a new member or have been attending for years, we want you to know that you can make a difference in the Lord's kingdom at this congregation. We desire to help you in the process of being formed into Christ's image, and one of the major ways to imitate Christ involves serving others. Serving Our Savior (S.O.S.) is an organizational tool used by the Mt. Juliet Church of Christ to accomplish a major goal: involve every willing servant in building up the kingdom of God in Mt. Juliet. We love to see people serve because of God's love and for God's glory!

The A.G.A.P.E. Form

“How do I get involved in such a large church?” “Where do I begin to serve?” “Where am I needed?” “Am I needed?” You may have questions like these in your first few months at Mt. Juliet. This form seeks to address those questions and to help you find service opportunities at this congregation.

“Agape” is one of the Greek words for “love” used in the New Testament. John 3:16 uses a verb form of agape to tell us of the love God has for us - *“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life”* (NKJV). God loved us from the beginning, and therefore we can love Him, ourselves, and other people. What better way to show God's love than by serving other people in our daily walk? The A.G.A.P.E. form contains this idea of showing God's love through service. In this form, each letter in “Agape” stands for something that will help you know where to start in serving others in Mt. Juliet, Tn.

A Availability

Complete this portion to inform us of when you are **most** available to serve.

G Gifts

Complete this portion to help you determine some of the spiritual gifts you have.

A Abilities

Complete this portion to help you determine what abilities, skill-sets, and resources you can offer for God's glory.

P Passions

Complete this portion to help you determine what types of things interest you and ignite your passion for God.

E Existing Ministries

Complete this portion to help you determine which ministries you want to help with that already exist in the church.

We hope this form will help you discern where you would most enjoy serving the Lord. The following pages can be completed in 15-20 min. **If you are completing this form with another person, please remember to use separate forms (1 form per person).**

How can you use your time to glorify God? What blocks of time do you have available to serve with the Mt. Juliet congregation? Your time is important to God, you, and us. We would like to be helpful to you in using your time for God's glory.

Below are some areas where you can list the best times for you to serve with us. Please fill out some of the fields below and check/circle the times you are most available to serve. These times will **not** be the only times or all the times you can serve - they should outline the best times for you to serve.

How often are you generally available to serve in a typical month?

Check one of the options below that applies to you:

- 1 week/month
- 2 weeks/month
- 3 weeks/month

Which weeks/weekends of the month do you prefer to serve?

Check any of the options below that apply to you:

- 1st Week
- 2nd Week
- 3rd Week
- 4th Week
- 5th Week (Quarterly)

If you serve during a church service/class time, which time is best for you?

Check any of the options below that apply to you:

- Sunday A.M. (Early Service)
- Sunday A.M. (Bible Class)
- Sunday A.M. (Late Service)
- Sunday P.M. (Evening Service)
- Wednesday P.M. (Mid-Week Study)

Are there windows of time unique to your schedule in which you can serve? If so, please list them below.

As a unified body, we have the same redemption and mission in Christ, but each member has unique, God-given gifts. Which gifts have you been given? We have listed some gifts below that have been identified in scripture (Romans 12:4-6a, NKJV). Read the descriptions of each gift, rate each question, and total your numbers. Your gifts will be the areas in which you scored the highest.

“On a scale of 1 to 10...”

“Not at all” 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 “Much”

Note: This part is optional. Circle your gifts if you already know them or have a good idea of what they would be, and move on.

Teaching

Description: The special ability to give a detailed understanding of biblical truth to those willing to learn (Ephesians 4:11-14; Acts 20:20-21).

(Rate each statement with a number on a scale of 0 to 10)

I am capable/satisfied in helping people discover scriptural truths in a Bible class/study.

It seems that people learn when I teach them.

I find it natural or enjoyable to prepare materials for teaching a Bible class/study.

Total (Add the total of the above three statements).

Encouragement

Description: The special ability to come alongside another in need of encouragement, challenge, or earnest advice (Acts 14:22; Hebrews 10:23-25).

(Rate each statement with a number on a scale of 0 to 10)

I find it natural to give encouragement to others by means of calls, cards, or visits.

People who are feeling perplexed often come to me for encouragement and comfort.

I instinctively reach out to others and support, reassure, and help them.

Total (Add the total of the above three statements).

Serving

Description: The ability to identify unmet needs and to make use of available resources to meet those needs (2 Timothy 1:16-18; Acts 6:1-7).

(Rate each statement with a number on a scale of 0 to 10)

It is my usual habit to block out time in my schedule to help others in some type of task.

I am naturally interested in helping people in tasks, whether large or small in scope.

I am dependable at doing one thing at a time, well, when I am asked or notice it is a need.

Total (Add the total of the above three statements).

Step 2 of 5

Gifts

A G A P E

Leadership

Description: The special ability to set goals and motivate others towards those goals in the body of Christ (Acts 6:2-4; Romans 12:8)

(Rate each statement with a number on a scale of 0 to 10)

People often approach me as a resource for vision, direction, influence, or solutions.

I am good at organizing groups/teams and motivating them to accomplish an event/task.

I initiate solutions and recruit others in the process instead of doing it alone.

Total (Add the total of the above three statements).

Giving

Description: The special ability to earn money, manage it well and wisely give for the Lord's work (Mark 12:41-44; Malachi 3:10).

(Rate each statement with a number on a scale of 0 to 10)

My usual habit is to set aside money for God, even if I do not know how God will use it.

I find myself donating money, food, or supplies for the Lord's at least 1 time/week.

In addition to my usual giving, I find joy in giving to people/causes as needs arise.

Total (Add the total of the above three statements).

Mercy

Description: The ability to give aid to the suffering or undeserving and to spare them from punishment/penalties justly deserved (Acts

(Rate each statement with a number on a scale of 0 to 10)

I feel desire to come along side someone in need or suffering, join them, and take action.

I go out of the way to show kindness to others, even when they are unkind to me.

I often have compassion on people in need/suffering, even if they are very different me.

Total (Add the total of the above three statements).

Use this section to list the 3 gifts in which you scored the highest

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

This list of gifts *may* help you identify your Passions (Step 4 of 5). The passions (pg. 7) are color-coated to reveal their corresponding gift. *(This inventory has been adapted from Ken Snell, North Atlanta Church of Christ)*

- ◆ Teaching
- ◆ Encouraging
- ◆ Serving
- ◆ Leadership
- ◆ Giving
- ◆ Mercy

Step 2 of 5

Gifts

You have developed abilities, skill-sets, and resources through your life that can be used to glorify God. These things may have required formal education or extensive training or purchases. What talents/resources are you willing to use for God's work at the Mt. Juliet congregation? Mark any of the following abilities/resources you possess and wish to offer for the Lord's work.

Abilities

Art <input type="checkbox"/> Design/Layout <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing/Painting <input type="checkbox"/> Photography <input type="checkbox"/> Video <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Education, cont. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. High <input type="checkbox"/> Tutoring Financial <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Food <input type="checkbox"/> Catering <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Cook	Mechanical <input type="checkbox"/> Automobile <input type="checkbox"/> Machinist <input type="checkbox"/> Small Engine Media <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising <input type="checkbox"/> Journalism/Writing <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing/Printing <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking <input type="checkbox"/> Radio <input type="checkbox"/> Television Medical <input type="checkbox"/> Dental <input type="checkbox"/> EMT <input type="checkbox"/> Life-Guard <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing <input type="checkbox"/> Doctor Public Services <input type="checkbox"/> City Legislation <input type="checkbox"/> Counseling <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Law-Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Legal <input type="checkbox"/> Social Work <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment	Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Audio/Video <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Repair <input type="checkbox"/> Data Entry <input type="checkbox"/> Hardware <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting <input type="checkbox"/> Networking <input type="checkbox"/> Programming <input type="checkbox"/> Recording <input type="checkbox"/> Software Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> CDL <input type="checkbox"/> Driving <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Pick-Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Trailer <input type="checkbox"/> Van/Moving Truck Other If there are any other areas of skills/expertise you possess and wish to use at Mt. Juliet, please list them below: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinets <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry/Finish <input type="checkbox"/> Code <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Contracting <input type="checkbox"/> Drafting <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Flooring <input type="checkbox"/> HVAC <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Design <input type="checkbox"/> Land Development <input type="checkbox"/> Masonry <input type="checkbox"/> Painting <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing	General <input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry/Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Crafting <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating <input type="checkbox"/> Event Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Inventory <input type="checkbox"/> Management <input type="checkbox"/> Research <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing Health Care <input type="checkbox"/> Handicap Asst. <input type="checkbox"/> Hospice <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Home Language <input type="checkbox"/> Sign Language <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Bldg. Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape/Grounds	Education, cont. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. High <input type="checkbox"/> Tutoring Financial <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Food <input type="checkbox"/> Catering <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Cook	Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Audio/Video <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Repair <input type="checkbox"/> Data Entry <input type="checkbox"/> Hardware <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting <input type="checkbox"/> Networking <input type="checkbox"/> Programming <input type="checkbox"/> Recording <input type="checkbox"/> Software Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> CDL <input type="checkbox"/> Driving <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Pick-Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Trailer <input type="checkbox"/> Van/Moving Truck Other If there are any other areas of skills/expertise you possess and wish to use at Mt. Juliet, please list them below: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

God has given you a passion and interest in certain things. At the Mt. Juliet congregation, we rejoice when we see people use their gifts and skills in areas where they are interested and passionate. We love to see people grow in their faith while attempting new things that interest them. If you could do anything for the Lord with no qualification/prerequisite, what would you do? Below are *types of things* that may interest you. Circle any of the choices below that you feel passionate about/ interested in. (Note: Any colored diamonds beside an item corresponds to one of the six spiritual gifts from Step 2 (see pg. 5). Any blk. diamonds = plural gifts or no gifts).

- ◆ **Attend missions**
 - ◆ Foreign Trips
 - ◆ Local Trips
- ◆ **Being mentored**
- ◆ **Benevolence**
- ◆ **Bible Class**
 - ◆ Assist a class
 - ◆ Teach a class
- ◆ **Bible Study**
 - ◆ Correspondence
 - ◆ Lead 1 on 1
 - ◆ Lead Group
- ◆ **Care packages**
 - ◆ Assemble
 - ◆ Deliver
- ◆ **Childcare**
 - ◆ Nursery
 - ◆ 2 yrs. & up
- ◆ **Cleaning**
 - ◆ Laundry
 - ◆ Machinery
 - ◆ Spaces
- ◆ **Collecting money/supplies**
- ◆ **Connect People**
 - ◆ To events
 - ◆ To jobs
 - ◆ To ministries
 - ◆ To housing
- ◆ **Construction (Minor)**
- ◆ **Creating**
 - ◆ Boards/Displays
 - ◆ Curriculum/Questions

- ◆ **Creating (Cont.)**
 - ◆ Handouts/Visuals
 - ◆ Quilts
 - ◆ Scrap bks./ albums
 - ◆ Skits/Games
 - ◆ Ted E. Bears/
- ◆ **Door Knocking**
- ◆ **Encouraging**
 - ◆ Send Cards/Letters
 - ◆ Emails
 - ◆ Greet Guests
 - ◆ Make Phone Calls
 - ◆ Make Visits
- ◆ **Events/Projects**
 - ◆ Assist
 - ◆ Decorate
 - ◆ Photography
 - ◆ Video
- ◆ **Food**
 - ◆ Delivering
 - ◆ Cook/Prepare
 - ◆ Donate
 - ◆ Serve
 - ◆ Snacks
- ◆ **Guest Follow-Up**
- ◆ **Hospitality**
 - ◆ Host at-church
 - ◆ Host at-home
 - ◆ Lodging & meals
- ◆ **Language/Transl.**
- ◆ **Lord's Supper**
 - ◆ Delivering
 - ◆ Preparing
 - ◆ Presiding
 - ◆ Serving

- ◆ **Maintenance**
 - ◆ Exterior (minor)
 - ◆ Interior (minor)
- ◆ **Mentoring**
- ◆ **Organize**
 - ◆ Communication
 - ◆ Events/Projects
 - ◆ Food
 - ◆ Inventory
 - ◆ Materials/Things
 - ◆ Spaces
 - ◆ People
- ◆ **Prayer -**
 - ◆ Private
 - ◆ Public
- ◆ **Provide Medical Assistance**
- ◆ **Reading - Public**
- ◆ **Record-Keeping**
- ◆ **Reviewing**
 - ◆ Media
 - ◆ Written Materials
- ◆ **Singing**
 - ◆ Group/Event
 - ◆ Song Leading
- ◆ **Speaking**
 - ◆ 10 min. or less
 - ◆ 10-20 min.
 - ◆ 20+ min.
- ◆ **Support**
 - ◆ Donate Clothing
 - ◆ Mission Trips
 - ◆ Missionaries

- ◆ **Tech**
 - ◆ Hardware
 - ◆ Software
- ◆ **Transporting**
 - ◆ Mail/Shipping
 - ◆ People
 - ◆ Things
- ◆ **Trips**
 - ◆ Assist
 - ◆ Photography
 - ◆ Video
- ◆ **Vacation Bible School**
- ◆ **Worship**
 - ◆ Work Welcome Ctr.
 - ◆ Prayer
 - ◆ Usher
 - ◆ Greeter
 - ◆ Att. Count.
 - ◆ Security
 - ◆ Scripture Reading
- ◆ **Youth**
 - ◆ Mission Trip
 - ◆ Summer Camp
 - ◆ Retreats
 - ◆ Devotionals

People may often encounter a large congregation like Mt. Juliet Church of Christ and exclaim, “I’m not needed here. It is too big and I won’t find a place to serve or connect” - However, Mt. Juliet’s ministries have been organized so “every willing servant” has a ministry in which to participate, grow, and connect to God. We call this organizational structure Serving Our Savior. S.O.S. provides you with a friendly way to view the congregation’s current service opportunities, and to decide which opportunities you would like to pursue. You are welcome here, and you are needed here in kingdom service.

Existing Ministries

Connect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> First Impressions <input type="checkbox"/> Newcomers <input type="checkbox"/> S.A.V.E. <input type="checkbox"/> Ushers 	Seeking Souls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Benevolence <input type="checkbox"/> Friend’s Day <input type="checkbox"/> House to House
Stewardship of Possessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Contributions <input type="checkbox"/> Facility <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Security <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation 	Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Education <input type="checkbox"/> Child Education <input type="checkbox"/> Vacation Bible Sch. <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Bowl <input type="checkbox"/> Library <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship
Compassion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitals <input type="checkbox"/> M.J. Health Care <input type="checkbox"/> Orphans <input type="checkbox"/> Shut-ins <input type="checkbox"/> Transitions <input type="checkbox"/> Widows 	Worship & Involvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Communion/Signs <input type="checkbox"/> Involvement/S.O.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Men’s Ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach <input type="checkbox"/> Women’s Ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Worship
Note: Included with your A.G.A.P.E. form is a catalog listing each ministry, its mission statement, and a picture of the organizing deacon/member. Please use the packet to inform your selections.	
Missions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jail Ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Latin American Missions <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors Serving Christ <input type="checkbox"/> Stateside Missions <input type="checkbox"/> Ukraine Missions <input type="checkbox"/> West Africa & Greece <input type="checkbox"/> World Bible School 	Equipping Youth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 4th-5th Grades <input type="checkbox"/> Children’s Activities <input type="checkbox"/> Tues/Thurs School <input type="checkbox"/> Young Soldiers/Young Ladies <input type="checkbox"/> Young Ladies Serving Christ
Teen to Adult <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 6th-8th Grades <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. High Training <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Group <input type="checkbox"/> College <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adults 	I.T. & Data Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Family Tree/ & Database Admin. <input type="checkbox"/> Media Outreach <input type="checkbox"/> Tech (Worship) <input type="checkbox"/> Tech (Maintenance)

That’s it! You have completed the AGAPE form! Please give your AGAPE form to your Bible class teacher, or any minister. **You may keep the Ministry Catalog for future reference.** Again, we thank you for taking the time to share your desire and interest to serve the Lord!

Step 5 of 5 Existing Ministries