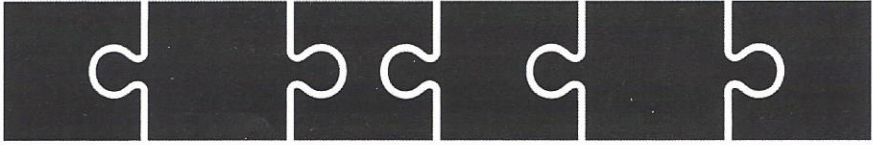


PERSONAL MINISTRIES



Personal Ministries

Personal Ministries assists church members and people in our community (residents of Lauderdale County) with needs such as utility bills, rent, medicines (non-narcotics), doctor or dentist bills, gas vouchers to out of town doctor appointments, food, and car repairs. The Crisis Ministry, Allasso Ministry, Food Pantry, Room in the Inn, and Meals on Wheels are under the auspices of Personal Ministries.

Crisis Ministry

Church members may apply for assistance with needs such as utility bills, rent or mortgage payments, medicines, food, gas, car repairs or medical bills at any time. Applications from residents of Lauderdale County are taken most every 1st and 3rd Mondays from 8:00 am - 4:00pm. The Personal Ministry Team meets on the following day to review and make decisions on which applicants we can assist. Those applicants are notified and given an appointment for a personal interview. Most interviews are held by members of the Personal Ministry Team on the 2nd and 4th Mondays starting at 8:30am. Applicants may apply for assistance with \$100.00 once every 12 months. Payments are made directly to the creditor.

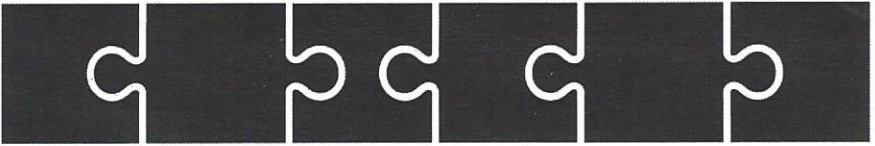
Food Pantry

Church members may receive food from the Food Pantry once each month. Clients from within the community (Lauderdale County) may apply for food once every three months. Food is given on Thursday mornings. Volunteers pick up food from the Northwest Alabama Food Bank in Huntsville which delivers to a pick-up place in Florence. They also stock the shelves, pack carts, and distribute food to the clients. Bible Study Connection classes also donate food and hygiene items to the Food Pantry.

Room in the Inn

Room in the Inn Shoals Inc. is an interfaith, community-based partnership that provides food and shelter to homeless during the winter months. Woodmont, along with approximately 35 other churches in our area, provide shelter and food from November through March. Bible Study Connection classes and groups, such as the youth, provide this ministry. Dinner and breakfast, a warm cot, and transportation to and from the Room in the Inn Center are provided. This winter, our disaster shower trailer will be available for the guests to shower and a washer and dryer are available for them to do laundry.

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Allasso Ministry

Allasso is a Greek word meaning "to cause change or to exchange one thing for another; to cause one thing to cease and another to take its place." Allasso focuses on helping families gain financial independence

by identifying individuals who feel they have more potential than their present status indicates and who are motivated to work toward a different type of lifestyle. We believe this is accomplished through education or job training. This ministry is designed to assist clients in achieving a High School Diploma, GED, Associate, Bachelor's or Master's Degree, or certification in a career field. The Allasso client is responsible for maintaining a minimum of 2.0 GPA and for providing the Personal Ministries Director with his/her class schedule each semester and a copy of grades at the end of each semester. Whenever possible, clients are partnered with a Bible Study Connections class which commits to paying a pre-determined amount toward a need each month. This assists the client to focus on studying and relieves him/her of some financial stress during the educational process. The classes are encouraged to send cards or calls of encouragement during the semester and to pray consistently for the client. A miscellaneous Allasso fund is also available to support clients for whom a class is not available. Classes or individual church members may donate to this fund at any time.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is a program sponsored by Community Action of Northwest Alabama to supply a hot meal daily to shut in or elderly persons who are not capable, either financially or physically, of preparing their own food. Volunteers transport these meals to the recipients. Woodmont members are a vital part of this community service. Most volunteers provide the meals once or twice every six months. They go in pairs unless otherwise requested. The recipients are so appreciative of the food, but even more they look forward to kind and loving volunteers who greet them and give a few minutes of time to show they care.

Volunteers are needed in each of the areas of Personal Ministry. If you would like to serve in any of these ministries, please contact Becky Daugherty at bdaugherty@woodmontbaptist.org or by phone at Woodmont Baptist – (256)766-1255 Ext. 12 or personal cell phone (256)810-8218. Or contact Loretta Young at lyoung@woodmontbaptist.org or by phone at Woodmont Baptist – (256)766-1255 Ext. 12 or personal cell phone (501)515-2479. Thank you for your prayers and consideration of possibly Finding Your Fit in Personal Ministries.