**MINISTRY IDEAS FOR CHURCHES, FAMILIES, AND INDIVIDUALS**

**Labor**

* Replace burned out light bulbs
* Mow the yard for the elderly or single mother
* Help someone move
* Beautify someone’s flower bed – or maybe do a front yard makeover
* Do a car clinic for single moms
* Clean or repair a neighborhood park as a gift to the community
* Once a year, offer to change the batteries in your neighbor’s smoke detector
* Minor construction projects in homes
* Cleanup from natural disasters

**Minister to Senior Citizens**

* Visit/Volunteer at a nursing home
* Take someone to church who can no longer drive
* Read to someone no longer able to read
* Take people to the doctor and/or hospital
* Take someone grocery shopping
* Adopt a senior adult

**Minister to Young (er) Adults**

* Offer babysitting services
* Find ways to serve teachers at the school
* Spend time with un-churched families in your sphere of influence
* Serve a military family while their spouse is away
* Mentor an un-churched individual or couple. Help them learn how to fix things around the house, make meals, raise kids…..live life with them
* Invite singles into your homes to eat, watch a movie, play games, etc.

**Minister to College Student**

* Make sandwiches for them
* Serve an international student(s)- Invite them for dinner
* Welcome international students into your home during the holidays
* Bus ministry for international students

**Minister to youth/children**

* Read/tutor students after school
* Attend their ball games/stock show
* Volunteer in the nursery
* Special needs ministry
* Bus ministry
* Consider becoming a foster parent
* Help with sports or music based programs in the community

**Outreach**

* Prepare welcome baskets for neighbors/church visitors
* Cook for those in need
* Make homemade cookies to take to your neighbors along with a card with a Christian holiday theme
* Serve public servants like fire fighters and police officers
* Serve alongside an existing ministry to help them accomplish their purpose: feed and clothe the poor, help with Hope Pregnancy Center, partner with those working to end human trafficking, provide fresh water, fix up homes, etc.

**Prayer Ministry**

* Coordinate a prayer room
* Prayer team to pray for our church body, staff, nation, and world
* Meet Sunday Mornings at 8:15 to pray for God to stir/Tuesday mornings at 6:30

**Media/Library Ministry**

* Video/Audio record messages and distribute to homebound and those in correctional facilities/prisons
* Build a church library as a means of entertainment and educational resources to our church members

**Music and Worship Ministry**

* Serve on the music team
* Develop a children/youth worship team
* Develop a drama ministry

**Evangelism**

* Coordinate with the pastor about visitation needs of the church
* Write encouraging notes
* Start a jail/prison ministry

**Missions**

* Attend a Missions Trip
* Adopt a people group
* Give financially to those going on mission

**Specialty Ministries**

* Celebrate Recovery addresses
* Divorce Care
* GriefShare
* WMU
* Financial Peace University
* Mentoring Program