

Ministry Teams

Basket Ministry

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Our Basket Ministry blesses the lives of many women directly involved with Jessamine Christian Church. Cheerful baskets are delivered to women for encouragement, uplifting and appreciation. Baskets are also given as rewards to certain women for tasks performed within our church body and as a means of honoring guest speakers throughout the year. Recent guidelines set in place by the Women's Ministry require that recipients of our baskets be women who are members of Jessamine Christian Church or attend regularly. Each circle contributes funds for this ministry and donates specific items upon request of the Basket Coordinator.

My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely Christ, in whom are hidden all treasures of wisdom and knowledge. *Colossians 2:2-5*

Bereavement Ministry



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The Bereavement Ministry touches lives of people when they need it the most ...when they have experienced the loss of a loved one in the family. Upon notification of a death in the immediate family, our Bereavement Ministry Coordinators contact one of three team leaders and notifies them of the food needs of that family. Members of the congregation are then contacted and asked to bring a dish to the church for the meal. When needed, an entire meal is provided at the church building following a funeral. This ministry is very important within our congregation. It allows the church family to share love with an individual who is experiencing painful grief and loss.

....the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all

our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. *2 Corinthians 1:3-4*

Bible Study/Prayer Group Ministry



Mary Anne Brown (859)223-8627

The Women's Ministry sponsors two Bible Study and Prayer Groups for all women attending Jessamine Christian Church. To reach more women in our congregation, one study is conducted during the day and the other at night. The daytime study is held each Tuesday morning from 9 -11:00 a.m. at the various times during the year. A workbook or study guide is used for each session and may be ordered through your leader. There are usually three or four different studies available during the year, utilizing different women as facilitators. The nighttime study is held each Wednesday evening from 7:00-8:15 p.m. Again, the facilitator offers the opportunity to work through a study guide or workbook, which may be ordered through your leader.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to *Colossians 4:16*

Decorating Ministry

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The Coordinator of Decorating is responsible for planning and overseeing the seasonal decorations of the church sanctuary and vestibule, as well as providing themed decorations for major events sponsored by Women's Ministry, such as art, paint, wallpaper, and floor coverings. At Easter time, the congregation has the opportunity to purchase flowers to honor a friend or family member or in memory of a loved one who is deceased. The flowers are displayed in the church sanctuary prior to Easter as a lovely

commemoration of these individuals and in honor of our Lord's resurrection. At Christmas, the same opportunity becomes available. The church sanctuary becomes transfigured with the breathtaking beauty of the season.

He overlaid the inside with pure gold He paneled the main hall with pine and covered it with fine gold and decorated it with palm tree and chain designs. He adorned the temple with precious stones. *2 Chronicles 5:4-6*

Fellowship/Hospitality Ministry



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Whenever and occasion arises with the entire congregation wherein food and drink are required (such as New Membership dinners, the annual Thanksgiving Banquet, welcoming or departure receptions, etc.) this ministry is responsible for planning and hosting these events. Fellowship is very important to our church family. Each function enables us to grow more closely to each other as Christ expects the church to do. From time to time, the Women's Ministry has the opportunity to welcome guest to our congregation and treat them with special attention. Groups from various colleges who visit and require housing are examples of opportunities to show fine Christian hospitality. When the need arises, meals and/or lodging are provided. The coordinator contacts women to assist with amenities for our guests. The Bluegrass Men's Fellowship meets at JCC in the summer and the ministry coordinates the effort to make and serve homemade pies as well as part of the food preparation. We of the Women's Ministry love to entertain company for our Lord.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer. *Acts 2:42*

Hospital Meals Ministry



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Whenever a woman of our congregation or regular attendee is hospitalized due to illness or surgery, this Ministry sees that a meal is offered to the family. The coordinator will make contact with the patient to see if a meal is wanted. If there is a long continuous illness, the ministry may prepare several evenly spaced meals. The Coordinators need to contact each of the church staff to make them aware of who you are. The various members of the staff will contact the coordinators; to advise them of an upcoming hospitalization, surgery, or when someone comes home from the hospital. The Coordinators of the Hospital Meals Ministry contact women in our congregation to prepare part or all of a meal and deliver to the patient. What an opportunity we have to serve the Lord by giving a little assistance to a family when the chief cook is incapacitated. What better opportunity do we have to share a special dish with a woman who probably could use a little pampering and TLC!

Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers — not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, not eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted you, but being examples to the flock. *1 Peter 5:2-3*

Kitchen Ministry



Linda Meredith (859)881-1022

The Kitchen Ministry Coordinator is responsible for overseeing the overall cleanliness and organization of the church kitchen. She maintains items needed for clean up purposes and suggests any needed items to the Women's Board for purchasing. She keeps the kitchen stocked with supplies for meals, such as plates, bowls, napkins, utensils, cups, etc. Christian fellowship makes the kitchen a busy place at Jessamine Christian Church. Rules for utilizing the kitchen are posted and should be followed if anyone needs to host a function and use the kitchen. God has blessed us with a modern kitchen to use for His kingdom.

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith, goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self control; and to self control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness, and to godliness, brotherly kindness; to brotherly kindness; love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your

knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. *II Peter 1: 5-8*

Mary-Martha Love Fund Ministry



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The Mary-Martha Love Gift Program is organized to honor all girls graduating from High School or receiving their GED diploma. The purpose is to show our encouragement, love, and support as they go out into the world. Each girl will receive a monetary gift and be recognized and honored along with their mothers at a tea in May of each year by the Jessamine Christian Church Women's Ministry Board. The program will operate on individual donations.

Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God. *Titus 2:5-5*

Newsletter Ministry

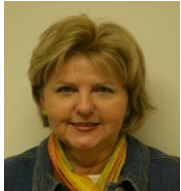


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The Jessamine Christian Church Women's Ministry is proud of its publication, Tapestry, a newsletter that is mailed out to women to inform them of upcoming events. It contains great material, designed especially for our women's spiritual enjoyment. The Newsletter is responsible for collecting and compiling articles from the Women's Ministry Board Chair, the circles' chairs and other selected persons. The letter includes articles of interest and events that are upcoming or information on selected women of our church family. Items to be printed must be submitted by the deadline set forth by the Newsletter Ministry Coordinator prior to publication. The coordinator and committee are responsible for copying, folding and mailing of the newsletter.

Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for every thing, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 5:19-20*

Website/Special Events Ministry



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During the year, we are privileged to take part in activities away from our local congregation, allowing us to bond with women in our community, as well as a broader area across Kentucky. We also host events at our church. The Special Events Coordinator plans and reserves the vans to be used for the away events. She promotes and advertises for all the special events so that all women at JCC have the opportunity to participate.

God has given each of you special abilities; be sure to use them to help, each other, passing on to others; God's many kinds of blessings. *1 Peter 4:10*

Tea Towel Ministry

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The Tea Towel Ministry has blessed many women of our congregation. When a woman places her membership with our congregation (whether by transfer of membership or by accepting Jesus Christ as her Savior,) we are all delighted to welcome her to the family. A woman representing the Women's Ministry Board is then privileged to present her with a tea towel and cookbook.

Sometimes a home visit is scheduled, or more often, the gifts are presented before or after services on Sunday morning or Wednesday evening. Usually, a new friendship is the result of this meeting and both women are tremendously blessed. Thank you, God, for adding members to your family and blessing us with your love and kindness. Help us to be helpful, loving and kind to them as they become more familiar with all of us.

In Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. *Romans 12:5*