

Care and Visitation Ministry

Vision

Centered on the love of Christ and expressed through continual care, we seek to build a spiritual family where members love one another, support one another, and grow together in Christ.

Introduction: The Foundation of Care and Visitation

- Love as the core
- Member needs as the focus
- Systems as the support

To establish a sustainable and effective ministry of caring for church members.

Needs and Prayer Items

1.To establish care and visitation as a ministry embraced and participated in by all age groups within the church.

Pastors, elders, deacons, small group leaders, and the care team working together in unity to serve.

2.Pray that the care group will have wisdom in carrying out the ministry, and that Bible study leaders will have a burden to visit and care for the physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being of their members.

3.Cross-generational visitation:

Encouraging participation from members of all age groups to foster a spiritual family relationship of mutual care and support.

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Following Christ's Love and Example

The foundation of care: Taking Christ's love as our standard.

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

John 13:34 - 35

Caring for One Another and Building Up the Body: Experiencing God's Love and the Warmth of the Church

Empathy is an essential element of care.

"Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep."

Romans 12:15

Principles of Care and Visitation

1. Based on Love and sustainability:

- With the love of Christ and a compassionate heart, sincerely care for the various needs of members in the "Faith, Hope, and Love Fellowship."
- Through ongoing care and attention toward those who are ill, elderly, weak, or have been absent for a prolonged period.

2. Focusing on both Spiritual and Practical Needs:

- Not only caring for physical and daily needs but also paying attention to emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being.
- Praying together at appropriate times and sharing God's Word to provide spiritual encouragement and support.

3. Encouraging Spiritual Growth and Community Life:

- Encouraging attendance at Sunday worship services to worship God together.
- Guiding members to integrate into fellowship and participate in church community life.
- Encouraging participation in Bible study groups to build relationships with one another.

4. Providing Practical Support:

- Offering practical assistance according to needs (such as food support, transportation assistance, hospital visitation, etc.).
- Providing appropriate assistance to members facing financial difficulties or helping refer them to relevant social service agencies when necessary.

Goals of Care and Visitation

1. Care as a Ministry of the Entire "Faith, Hope, and Love Fellowship":

- Emphasizing teamwork and collective participation.
- Pastors, elders, deacons, small group leaders, and the care team working together in unity to serve.

2. Knowing the Flock of the "信望爱团契":

- Caring for those in need, including elderly individuals living alone, hospitalized or sick members, those with mobility challenges, and those who have been absent for an extended period.
- Prioritizing members based on their level of need, giving priority to those with urgent or ongoing needs.

3. Cross-Generational Visitation:

- Emphasizing spiritual family relationships characterized by mutual care across different age groups.

Care and Visitation Ministry Process: Currently in Progress

1. Knowing the Flock of the "信望爱团契":

- Establishing a care list: elderly individuals, hospitalized or sick members, those with mobility challenges, and those absent for extended periods.
- Prioritizing according to the degree of need and focusing first on members with urgent or ongoing care requirements.

2. With Care Group as the Core Unit:

- Bible study leaders are responsible for leading and coordinating the care and visitation of group members.
- Conducting regular and ongoing visitation efforts.

3. Visitation Checklist and Follow-up:

- Recording key observations and members' situations during visits, noting areas requiring further follow-up.
- Purpose of the visitation questionnaire/checklist: to serve as both a visitation checklist and documentation tool.
 - Recording members' financial and spiritual conditions, transportation needs, and any prayer requests.
 - Tracking the number, frequency, and dates of visits to ensure that members requiring visitation are not overlooked.