

## *Community Service at Church Guidelines*

### *Approved*

- **Activities that benefit the community at large**

- Example:

- ✓ neighborhood clean-up
- ✓ food bank
- ✓ community festivals
- ✓ hurricane relief
- ✓ building/repairing homes for the needy
- ✓ after school tutoring
- ✓ after school child care
- ✓ toy drive
- ✓ Christmas tree/turkey delivery to needy families
- ✓ homeless ministries
- ✓ nursing home ministries
- ✓ singing Christmas carols in a nursing home or other community center
- ✓ setting up/cleaning up for church activities
- ✓ church planting or helping a new church with start-up
- ✓ maintenance of the inside or outside of the church building
- ✓ musical/dramatic performance practice
- ✓ working in nursery during services
- ✓ Vacation Bible School or similar summer camp



- **Mission Trips**

- Maximum of 8 hours per day, unless **prior** approval granted by community service coordinator
- Time must be omitted for down time such as meal time
- Activities must be consistent with guidelines for all church community service

### *NOT Approved*

- **Activities that are related to worship or evangelism**

- Example:

- ✗ activities directly related to worship service
- ✗ door-to-door, phone call, or in-person witnessing
- ✗ Sunday school or bible study
- ✗ prayer or witness booths at festivals, store fronts, etc.
- ✗ distributing faith-based literature or tracts