



The Ministry of ShiningCare

Ministry Purpose: Shine the light of Jesus Christ's grace, compassion, peace and joy to glorify God. We are servants of the Lord to bring comfort, healing and restoration to those who are lost, broken hearted, mourning or in despair. Whatever we do, we do it all for the glory of God. We are not religious, but simply followers of Jesus and servants of God. Our ministry is of the Church, by the Church and for the Church. We are in the Body of Christ and powered by the Gospel and Holy Spirit. We are non-denominational and not affiliated with any one church congregation. We serve to bring God's peace and the full, abundant life that Jesus Christ gives, shining light in a dark, pain-filled world.

About Our Agency: We are a non-profit (501c3) agency with multiple programs to accomplish our mission. We have a number of programs focused on facilitating connection, relationship and preventing isolation/seclusion, loneliness, boredom and depression. Our programs and activities provide opportunities for mental engagement, relational connection and overall full/quality life. Both the outreach activities via our Aging Life Care program and Grace Place, provides opportunity to encounter God's love, compassion, beauty, joy, edification, healing and restoration life to the fullest.

Our mission is to
bring light into difficult situations,
provide solutions, give compassion, direction and care
in order to
restore and secure a purposeful life, renewing hope and peace
for individuals and families.



Grace Place Ministry:

We are a "House of Light"- A peaceful place of beauty, filled with God's love to retreat to in the darkness of the world...A stress free safe haven... A place of God's welcoming grace to all... A place where God's Word is available and evident in the actions of our team of staff and volunteers... A place of community where people gather with loved ones and also come and meet new friends... Grace Place fosters and facilitates connection to intergenerational, mutually beneficial relationships...A place for the saints to find refuge and edification. A place for the lost to discover the grace and love of God... Grace Place is open to the public to enjoy the beauty of the grounds and atmosphere inside. Visible scripture and encouragement is throughout, along with caring staff and volunteers to greet and talk with. We offer free wi-fi and free meeting space with reservations.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- ◇ Prayer-Intercessors on the grounds to pray for community and visitors (Vision plan: 24/7 prayer & worship)
- ◇ Christian Books & Product Store-Books and materials free to read on site for edification.
- ◇ Wholesome entertainment events:
 - Classic and Faith-based Movies “in the Park”
 - Open mic nights: worship and poetry
 - Art shows
 - Themed fairs geared toward all ages
 - Fundraiser Events that provide any form of entertainment
- ◇ Bible Studies & Prayer Groups: (intergenerational and mentoring opportunities)
- ◇ Caregiver Support Groups
- ◇ Grief & Loss Support Groups
- ◇ Marketplace & City Prayer Meetings-Christian business people, who see their work as ministry within the marketplace, gather to network, encourage and pray for each other and our community.
- ◇ Classes and Activities: Volunteers facilitate based on interests and gifts. I.e. collaging, music, storytelling, prayer groups, etc.

- ◇ **Friendly Visitors: (Stephen’s Ministry based program)**
 - Tele-Visitors:** Provide 15 minute or less check-in phone calls to elderly and disabled adults for give encouragement, Word of the Day and prayer. Gatekeeper and basic crisis intervention training. Referred to by Gatekeeper and Aging Life Care programs to provide spiritual and emotional support as part of the clients overall Circle of Support
 - Home Visitors:** Provide brief in person visits to home bound or isolated elders and disabled adults. Provide safety check, encouragement, Bible Devotional reading and prayer. Gatekeeper, basic crisis intervention, and some social service home visitor training. Referred to by Gatekeeper and Aging Life Care

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives
and release from darkness for the prisoners ...
... to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—
to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes,
the oil of joy instead of mourning,
and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.
They will be called oaks of righteousness,
a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.
They will rebuild the ancient ruins
and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities
that have been devastated for generations.