

First Serve

This booklet has been designed to help you think through your Spiritual Gifts, Heart, Abilities, Experiences, and Special Qualifications for the purpose of selecting your place to serve at Evergreen.

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God has created you and shaped you in unique and wonderful ways so the you can experience the joy of helping others.

Although we do many different things to make a living, we all have the same vocation, or calling, which is to use our talents, abilities, interests, and experience to love God with all our heart, mind and soul; and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

When we use our abilities for God's glory, we come to know God more fully as we obey Him and He accomplishes His work through our lives.

Personal Profile

The following information will help us help you as you seek to become all God made you to be.

Please begin by letting us know how we may contact you . . .

Name

Mailing Address

City/Zip

Phone

Email Address

Spiritual Gifts

God gives at least one spiritual gift to every believer.

“Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good . . . All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.” 1 Corinthians 12:7, 11 (NIV)

The gifts can be, and often are, strongly related to our pre-conversion talents and abilities, but they don't have to be. Three good tests for the presence of a spiritual gift are: (1) you enjoy using this ability; (2) you are effective in using this ability; and (3) other people confirm that God is using you in this way.

No believer has every spiritual gift, and no single gift is given to everyone.

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.” 1 Corinthians 12:27-31

Our different sets of spiritual gifts complement each other to accomplish God's purposes through the church.

“For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.” Romans 12:4-6

After reading the descriptions of the gifts that follow, please put a mark in the box to the left of those gifts you believe are active in your life. The following Internet link provides an online gift assessment that may be helpful as you consider your gifts, particularly if this concept is new to you.

<http://www.christianet.com/bible/spiritualgiftstest.htm>

Gift	Description
Administration	The divine enablement to understand what makes an organization function, and the special ability to plan and execute procedures that accomplish the goals of the ministry.
Craftsmanship	The divine enablement to creatively design and/or construct items to be used for ministry.
Creative Communication	The divine enablement to communicate God's truth through a variety of art forms.
Encouragement	The divine enablement to present truth so as to strengthen, comfort,

		or urge to action those who are discouraged or wavering in their faith.
	Evangelism	The divine enablement to effectively communicate the gospel to unbelievers so they respond in faith and move toward discipleship.
	Faith	The divine enablement to act on God's promises with confidence and unwavering belief in God's ability to fulfill his purposes.
	Giving	The divine enablement to contribute money and resources to the work of the Lord with cheerfulness and liberality. People with this gift do not ask "How much money do I need to give to God?" but, "How much money do I need to live on?"
	Hospitality	The divine enablement to care for people by providing fellowship, food, and shelter.
	Knowledge	The divine enablement to bring truth to the body through a revelation or biblical insight as well as generate, collect, and analyze ideas that are important for the health of the church.
	Leadership	The divine enablement to cast vision, motivate, and direct people to harmoniously accomplish the purposes of God.
	Mercy	The divine enablement to cheerfully and practically help those who are suffering or are in need, compassion moved to action.
	Missionary	This gift enables Christians to utilize their others gifts in ministering to people from another culture.
	Music	This gift enables Christians to play a musical instrument or to use their voice in singing for the glory of God and the edification of others.
	Organization	This gift enables Christians to understand goals for specific areas of ministry and to draft effective plans toward reaching these goals.
	Prayer	The divine enablement to consistently pray on behalf of and for others, seeing frequent and specific results.
	Service	This gift enables Christians to recognize where their participation is needed and to make sure that the most urgent jobs get done.
	Shepherding	The divine enablement to nurture, care for, and guide people toward on-going spiritual maturity and becoming like Christ.
	Teaching	The divine enablement to understand, clearly explain, and apply the word of God, causing greater Christ-likeness in the lives of listeners.
	Wisdom	The divine enablement to apply spiritual truth effectively to meet a need in a specific situation.

Heart

When we speak of someone's passion, of what he or she is really motivated to do, we sometimes say that "she or he has a *heart* for that ministry or age group." We have differing interests and passions. Some of us have a "heart" for athletics, some for outreach, some for youth, etc. How would you complete the following sentence?

I love to . . .

What age group or type of people do you love to work with most?

What church ministries, issues, or possible needs excite or concern you the most?

Is there a ministry or mission that keeps coming to your mind again and again?

Abilities

My current vocation is:

Other jobs or skills in which I have experience:

I have taught classes or seminars in:

A number of skills are listed below. If you have a skill in any of these areas, please put an "X" in the box beside that area.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrical work	<input type="checkbox"/>	Performing arts (drama)
<input type="checkbox"/>	First aid	<input type="checkbox"/>	Photography
<input type="checkbox"/>	Graphic design	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plumbing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Landscaping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Promoting events
<input type="checkbox"/>	Languages, which:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Puppets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal affairs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruiting
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintenance/Repairs – Auto	<input type="checkbox"/>	Relationships with people from another culture
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintenance/Repairs – Home	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenery production
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marketing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Set up and/or tear down
<input type="checkbox"/>	Meeting new people	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social media management
<input type="checkbox"/>	Painting a room	<input type="checkbox"/>	Story telling

Experiences

This is how and when I became a Christian and something of what my relationship with Jesus means and has meant to me over the years.

Some of my most meaningful spiritual experiences have included:

Because of some of my own experiences, I believe I could relate to and encourage someone who is going through . . .

My formal education has been as follows:

In the past, I've served in churches in these ways:

Church/Location	Position(s) of Service	Years Involved

Special Qualifications

If you have any of the following special qualifications, please mark the appropriate boxes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Teacher (please specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial Driver's License (please specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Construction Professional (please specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Law Enforcement Professional (please specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medical Professional (please specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Passed Van Driver Course
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify):

Possible Ministry Involvement:

Here's a list of ministries at Evergreen for you to invest in. If you have a desire to be involved in any of these ministries, please put an "X" in the box beside that ministry.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Audiovisual Technician
<input type="checkbox"/>	Connection Team – Focus on new attenders at weekend service
<input type="checkbox"/>	Design Team – Stage and facility design
<input type="checkbox"/>	Elementary children – small group leader
<input type="checkbox"/>	Evangelistic outreach in the community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Father/Daughter Dance – organize and serve

Financial Counselor
Financial Education – facilitate Financial Peace University seminar
Fireside Coffee – barista during weekend services
Fit to be Tied – Mentoring for engaged couples
Greeting/Ushering (weekend services)
Growth group leader
Harvest Carnival – plan and serve
Heart Ministry – physical and emotional support
Hope Full Ministry – food and ministry to Haiti
Immigration Hope Counselor
Lighting Technician (weekend services)
Mega Sale (Support for Hope Full Ministry and Missions) – Organize and serve
Mentoring - Kids
Middle school children – small group leader during weekend services
Music: Vocal
Music: Instrumental
Nursery – care giver during weekend services
Preschool children – small group leader during weekend services
Refreshments (weekend services)
Safety and Security Team
Serve wherever needed
Sound Technician (weekend services)
Video Streaming (weekend services)
Women’s Christmas Tea – Organize, serve
Youth – High School – Small group leader

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