

MINISTRY: DEACON MINISTRY

WHY DO WE EXIST:

In those days when the number of disciples were increasing, the Hellenistic Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. So, the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God to wait on tables. Brothers and Sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them and will give our attention to prayer and ministry of the word." This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also, Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicolas from Antioch a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. (Acts 6:1-6)

HOW DO WE SERVE:

The New Testament uses the Greek word Diakonos, translated as "Deacon," as the designation for those who are set apart by the church to minister to the temporal needs of the body. Deacons are the servant-ministers of the church. Their purpose is to relieve the Senior Pastor and Elders of the multitude of practical duties of caring for the flock. Deacons are to give their primary attention toward caring for the congregation's physical welfare. Deacons have the honor of modeling, for the local church and the lost world, God's compassion, kindness, mercy, and love.

MINISTRY MEMBERS:

There is nothing in scripture that prohibits a woman from also serving as a Deacon of the Church (Romans 16:1-2: 1Timothy 3:11) Therefore, the members of the board of Deacons will be men (Deacon) or women (Deaconess) who are active members of this church, and who fulfill the qualification for the office stated in 1Timothy 3:8-13.

"In the same way, deacons/ deaconess is to be worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truth of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons.

HOW CAN YOU JOIN:

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