

ACTS

# Acts 6 Ministry

## **Mission Statement**

The Acts 6 Ministry is a Deacon led ministry connecting the Colonial body to widows, establishing relationships and providing for their needs.

## **Vision Statement**

The Acts 6 Ministry seeks to honor, esteem and encourage Colonial widows in accordance with God's Word, confirm their place in the body and enrich their worship experience.

**Service to widows is a ministry of the entire body. Deacons are to organize, energize and encourage the body in this effort. (Act 6)**

**The experiences and needs of widows vary widely and there is no one-model-fits-all to be created:**

- 1. Leadership and organization is needed**
- 2. Survey needs and resources**
- 3. Communicate ministry and available resources to widows**
- 4. Communicate ministry to the body**
- 5. Provide widows opportunities for connection to the body**

**“It is clear from Acts 6 (a picture of diaconal ministry) and 1 Timothy 5 that God cares for widows mainly through their families and the local church. The church steps in when the following circumstances exist:**

- 1. The widow cannot provide for her own welfare;**
- 2. She has no remaining family members, or her extended family is unable or unwilling to help;**
- 3. She qualifies spiritually for help from her church according the guidelines in the Scriptures.”**

**From The Undistracted Widow by Carol w. Cornish**

# Identifying Widows in Need

From list of all widows attending Colonial

- Identify widows who are supported by family
- Identify widows who are financially sound
- Remaining widows would be focus of ministry

*Other areas to consider:*

1) Health 2) Housing 3) Transportation

# Acts 6 Ministry Teams

Teams would consist of members from Colonial body with leadership and oversight from Deacons

## TEAM 1

Mrs. Deans

Charles Lee – Deacon

\*John Smith – Devoted 2:42

Judy Smith – Devoted 2:42

Steven Smith – Smith's Son

Cindy Brown – Coach's Corner

\* Team Captain

## TEAM 2

Mrs. Callaway

Greg Greene – Deacon

\*Steve Jones - Walkers

Shirley Jones - Walkers

Susan Williams - Crossroads

## TEAM 3

Mrs. Hall

Richard Warren – Deacon

\*Scott Simpson – New Season

Betty Simpson – New Season

Brian Connors – College & Careers

Christy Matthews – Choir

**Members of the body can offer their service, skills and talents by completing an Arena ACTS 6 Volunteer Registration**

**ACTS 6 Ministry Teams can access resources to meet needs through a database of Volunteers**

**ACTS 6 Volunteer Registration will be integrated into Greenhouse Classes**

**ACTS 6 Volunteer Registration will be available through Colonial web site and App**

**Volunteers offering their service can be entered into a database to simplify access**

**Database will be available to Deacons and Care Ministries to assist with coordinating assistance to widows**