



**HOMELESSNESS
CAN
SEEM
OVERWHELMING!**

Many people wonder what one person or one congregation can do to truly make a difference. The Interfaith Hospitality Network provides a way for religious congregations to work together to help homeless families. Each congregation participating in the Network provides overnight lodging and meals for three to five families (up to fourteen people) for one week each two or three months on a rotating basis. Homeless families, or guests, stay at the house of worship from 5:30pm to 7:00am daily. Each morning, guests are taken by van to a day center where they meet with the Network director, care for preschool children, look for housing and employment, or go out to school or work.

Volunteers are the foundation of the Network. There are many ways that you can volunteer to help. As an IHN volunteer, whether you prepare a hot meal, read to or tutor a child, help a parent write a resume, or stay overnight with guests, you will make a difference in the lives of families that have suffered the loss of their home.

Our congregation is exploring ways we can participate in this important ministry. Please indicate your area of interest below and place in the offering plate today or turn into the church office at your earliest convenience.

**I AM INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH THE INTERFAITH
HOSPITALITY NETWORK PROGRAM IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:**

- Dinner and evening volunteer (5:30pm-7:00pm)
- Fellowship time with families (7:00pm-9:00pm)
- Overnight volunteer (9:00pm-6:00am)
- Breakfast volunteer (6:00am-7:00am)
- Meal preparation (for evening meal, served at 6:00pm)
- Sunday afternoon setup (beds, tables, room dividers)
- Sunday cleanup (7:00am-beds ready for pickup)
- Help with weekly laundry (sheets/towels)
- Doctor on call
- Nurse on call
- Donate needed items, such as food supplies, paper goods, twin sheets, pillows, games, etc.
- Family mentor
- Organize recreational activities for weekends
- Overall coordinator at my congregation

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

**Dates for First Baptist Church are:
Sunday, September 13th—Saturday, September 19th.
For more information please contact Jo Barringer at 704-938-3587.**

July 26, 2009 **10:55 AM**

GREETING Mark Hill

†CHORUS OF FELLOWSHIP 215 *Majesty* MAJESTY

*Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne, unto His own;
His anthem raise. So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.*

Majesty, worship His majesty; Jesus, who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Nate Leonard

PRELUDE Carol Cone

INVOCATION Ed Hall

THE COMMISSIONING SERVICE

†HYMN 585 *Tell It Out with Gladness* HYMN TO JOY

THE M-FUGE MISSION TEAM

*Meredith Alford, Amanda Anderson, Caroline Doby, Mason Forrest,
Trace Hagler, Kenny Halstenberg, Cole Harris, John Harris,
Madeleine Harris, Billy Joyce, Jay Joyce, Nate Leonard, Anderson Moore,
Will Nash, Drew Parrott, Anna Wallace, Daniel Wallace*

THE CALL TO MISSIONS (see insert) Nate Leonard

MISSIONS CHORUS *People Need the Lord* PEOPLE NEED THE LORD

*People need the Lord, people need the Lord;
At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door.
People need the Lord, people need the Lord;
Oh help us realize people need the Lord.*

PRAYER Nate Leonard

†HYMN 334 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* ASSURANCE
(Children will come forward as we sing stanza 3.)

†OFFERTORY PRAYER Ed Hall

WORDS FOR OUR CHILDREN Polly Montgomery

†OUR RESPONSE (23) *God Is So Good* GOD IS SO GOOD
*God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, He's so good to me!
He cares for me, He cares for me, He cares for me, He's so good to me!*

MESSAGE IN MUSIC *Thee Will I Love* Craig Courtney
David Hamilton-Soloist

MESSAGE *"Fainting Goats"* Ed Hall
Isaiah 40:28-31

Scripture passage may be found on page 740 in the Bible located in the pew.

†HYMN OF DECISION 293 *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult* GALILEE
*We invite your decisions today in one of the following ways...by coming forward to pray alone,
to speak and pray with our pastor, completing one of the decision cards found in the pews
or speaking with one of our ministers following our worship time.*

†PASTORAL BENEDICTION Ed Hall

†CHORAL RESPONSE 71 *On Eagle's Wings* ON EAGLE'S WINGS
*And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine as the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand.*

POSTLUDE Carol Cone

†Those who are able please stand.



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Welcome to Kannapolis First Baptist Church!

*We are so grateful to God for leading you to this place of worship today.
If you are a visitor, be sure to sign our fellowship pads
as they are shared during the worship time or our guest book in the foyer
of the church as you leave so that we might have the
opportunity to thank you personally for worshipping with us today.*



“Why would you ever complain, O Jacob, or, whine, Israel, saying,
‘God has lost track of me.
He doesn't care what happens to me’?
Don't you know anything? Haven't you been listening?
God doesn't come and go.
God lasts.
He's Creator of all you can see or imagine.
He doesn't get tired out, doesn't pause to catch his breath.
And he knows everything, inside and out.
He energizes those who get tired,
gives fresh strength to dropouts.
For even young people tire and drop out,
young folk in their prime stumble and fall.
But those who wait upon God get fresh strength.
They spread their wings and soar like eagles,
They run and don't get tired,
they walk and don't lag behind.

Isaiah 40:27–31

