



Christ Always Remembers Everyone

## Interested in the C.A.R.E. Ministry?

*The purpose of the C.A.R.E. Ministry is to spiritually and emotionally support the elderly at the Golden Pond Communities in Winter Garden, by living out Christ's command to love our neighbors as ourselves, to be **vessels of His mercy.***

In April of 2009 we began a relationship with the Golden Pond Communities, an assisted living facility in Winter Garden. Since that time we've had the privilege of serving there. During our visits we've spent time getting to know some of the residents and staff.

### What we do:

- Resident and common area visitations
- Bible Studies/Worship
- Christmas Activities/Donation

### Things to consider:

- C.A.R.E. is a commitment to be consistent, and build relationships for the glory of Christ
- This ministry is for HBC members in an active relationship with Christ, who can participate in the current C.A.R.E. schedule
- We would ask for you to make at least a once a month commitment to the scheduled visitations; this way you can build relationships and consistency with the residents and staff, as well as with other C.A.R.E. team members
- We ask our C.A.R.E. team members not to bring additional family members and guests without prior approval from C.A.R.E and the Golden Ponds. This is simply to respect the privacy and safety of the residents, and the Golden Pond's responsibility to them
- When we serve in C.A.R.E., we are representatives of our local church, and witnesses and emissaries for our Lord
- If you have young children or believing family members under age 18 who wish to serve with you, please let us know and include that on your application

### Current Schedule:

- Two scheduled visits a month: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month - from approximately 9:30 am to 11:30 am (10 am to 11:30 am for Bible Studies)
- The first visit of each month is companionship (room visits and conversations in common areas with residents); second monthly visitation Matthew leads a Bible study and we have a brief time of worship and prayer
- There may be some opportunities also to serve during the week helping with different activities (manicures, bingo, etc).

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#### What to Expect:

- You will meet some residents with differing physical, mental, and emotional challenges. Be prayerfully prepared for that.
- **Expect a wonderful time of serving!** *It has been such a joy, privilege, blessing, and growing experience to serve others in this ministry.*

#### How to Get Involved:

1. Talk with Matthew & Marie Chadwick and fill out a C.A.R.E. application and Golden Pond Volunteer Application.
2. We'll review your C.A.R.E. application, and then work with you to set-up a volunteer interview with the activities director (Golden Pond may require background check).
3. If the activities director approves you to volunteer, we'll work with you and the activities director to talk about which residents you might be visiting. We'll meet as a group before visitations, and then break into teams to visit residents, gathering together at the end of our time for a recap.

Galatians 5:13-14 - *13 For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."*