

"Restoring Hope, Transforming Lives" Since 1995

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VOLUNTEER MINISTRY QUALIFICATIONS

Commitment to Christ

Spiritual development is at the core of the philosophy of Olympia Union Gospel Mission, therefore a volunteer must have a personal, growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

Commitment to a Balanced Christian Lifestyle

A volunteer must be committed to living a balanced Christian lifestyle which includes maturity, emotional stability, financial responsibility, relationships that adhere to the historic orthodox Christian view of sexuality and marriage, and a stable living situation.

Commitment to the Local Church

For spiritual growth, a volunteer must be a part of a body of believers that can provide support and encouragement, with accountability. A positive reference from that church's pastor is required. Involvement with the Mission's volunteer network may provide spiritual growth and fellowship, but in no way should be seen as a substitute for commitment to a local church.

Commitment to Olympia Union Gospel Mission

A volunteer must agree to the Mission's Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives, Statement of Faith, and Values Statement.

Commitment to Work with Others from Different Christian Traditions

The Mission draws its support from people in many different churches; therefore, a volunteer must be able to work with Christians from different denominations.

Commitment to Teamwork

A volunteer must work to build and contribute to teamwork in the unity of Christ, with the goal of making the whole organization successful. The volunteer must have a positive, problem-solving and cooperative attitude. The volunteer must be willing to cooperate with the direct supervisor in any assigned ministry area.

Commitment to Training & Special Qualifications

A volunteer must meet any specialized qualifications particular to a specific ministry position, in addition to attending required introductory volunteer training.

MISSION STATEMENT

The OUGM exists as an Evangelical Christian Rescue Mission, serving Thurston County, to share the good news of life in Jesus Christ by meeting the physical, mental and spiritual needs of individuals in crisis.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

We carry out our ministry to share the love of Jesus Christ in practical ways by meeting the needs for discipleship, food, shelter, dental care, limited health care, life skills training, addiction recovery, household goods and personal effects, benevolence, education and job training, domestic abuse intervention, and developing and maintaining partnerships with individuals, organizations and churches

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We Believe...

- We believe the Bible to be the inspired, infallible, authoritative Word of God and the sole and final authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
- We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
- We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful men, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. This event we hold to be an experience, rather than a doctrinal supposition.
- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
- We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost.
- We believe that the true church comprises all who have been justified by God's grace through faith alone, in Christ alone. They are united by the Holy Spirit in the body of Christ, of which He is the Head

VALUES STATEMENT

Excellence: We honor God by providing quality service which meets the needs of those we serve.

Integrity: We honor our word, are truthful in our communications and are faithful stewards in our financial dealings.

<u>Respect:</u> We recognize every individual as created uniquely in God's image with great value. Therefore, we treat every one with respect.

Compassion: We are servants of God, responding to the needs of those we serve with love and compassion.

Obedience: We recognize this ministry belongs to God, therefore, we diligently seek His will, responding obediently as the future unfolds.