



## West Cannon Baptist Church Hospitality Groups at West Cannon

In 1 Peter 4:9–10 God instructs us to: *Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in various forms.* Being motivated by love and grace to serve others, these verses will guide the Hospitality Teams to use their gifts to show love and care in the following forms:

1. Up to five meals will be provided for families who are members of West Cannon Baptist Church for the following reasons:
  - Mothers who have just had a baby (provided within the first ten days of returning home)
  - Families who have just adopted a new baby or child
  - Women who have undergone surgery, a serious illness, injury, or hospitalization
  - Prolonged hospitalization of a child or husband
  - When chemotherapy or radiation therapy is involved we usually rotate groups every other week with adult Sunday school class members

### 2. Funeral luncheons:

Funeral luncheons are provided for members (or others as deemed by the pastoral staff). The food is prepared and served by the Helping Hands Committee. The main dish is provided by the church, but the various Hospitality Groups will be called on to provide salads, desserts, and other side dishes as necessary.

The adult Sunday school classes can offer the following to all those who attend an adult Sunday school class:

- Childcare, housecleaning, and other helpful acts for those class members in need.
- Meal(s) when an immediate family member passes away. Providing food for the family, especially on the visitation days, is a wonderful way to show love and care. It is usually brought into the home or sometimes elsewhere if that works better for the family.
- If a family fits into the above guidelines but only one or two meals are needed, or if the class wants to provide meals for a family that does not fit into the above guidelines. This is also true of showers; if a class wants to provide a shower, they can certainly do that.
- If there is a need, meals may be provided upon the adoption of a child or a foster child placement.