

Register for GO Sunday

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FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

What is GO Sunday?

GO Sunday is an one-day initiative designed to kick-start our GOING into the community as the collective hands and feet of Jesus.

How does this fit into the overall church mission?

Church Mission: Introduce people to Jesus Christ, and help them follow Him. We are followers of Jesus who seek to KNOW Him, GROW in Him, and **GO into the world with Him.**

GO Sunday fits into the Church Mobilization Ministry: The goal of the mobilization ministry is to help the church make meaningful and fruitful engagement with the community as the hands and feet of Jesus. We mobilize to demonstrate God's love in practical ways through meeting the needs within our community and city. Simple acts of personal kindness can open hearts to the love of Jesus for both those being served and those serving.

GO Sunday fulfills one of the Church Core Values: Gospel Partnerships for our City & World

The gospel of Jesus is humanity's only hope both now and forever. God has placed us in our city to be a lighthouse for Christ and a sender to all nations. To be most effective we must partner with other like-minded churches, agencies and ministries. Therefore, we will seek to earn the right through love, service and effective ministry partnership to proclaim the truth.

What scriptures should I memorize as I GO?

"But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves."

James 1:22

"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:35

Why is GO Sunday on a Sunday?

We recognize that while the phrase "GO with Him" sits on the banner in our worship center. GO Sunday is an opportunity to put our banner into practice! This is our first step to a more organized "GO" Ministry. Sunday is the best moment in time to kick-start the GO Ministry. We are taking "1/52" (One Sunday out of 52) to practice "GOING" in a collective spirit. The day will be book-ended with worship, and we go out together in a Spirit of Worship.

What will the day look like?

Schedule

8 AM - Gather (outside, teams organize, breakfast bars, coffee juice)
8:30 AM - Worship Rally (song, devotion, sent out!)
9 AM - Depart For Sites
12 PM - Head home for Lunch & Rest
4 PM - Celebration Service (testimony, praise, stories, water ice)
Bring a lawn chair!

What will we do?

What type of work will we do and where? We've broken down the registration into three categories:

1. GO out on your OWN

This registration option is for small groups/individuals/families that are planning their own unique serve project. This option gives you the most flexibility to serve as the Lord's hands and feet in the community, as it allows you to design when, where and how you serve. You do not have to "GO on your Own" on GO Sunday (June 5) but we ask for you to tell us about your experience no matter what day you serve. See below GO on Your Own Project Examples.

GO out on your OWN Project Examples:

- Host outdoor games for your neighbors.
- Sidewalk-chalk your street with encouraging notes.
- Make and deliver breakfast casseroles to neighbors.
- Make and deliver cards/gift bags to elderly neighbors.
- Organize a park clean-up.
- Organize a small project for a single mom on your block.
- Organize a yard sale with the proceeds going to charity.
- Go to a playground, hand out donuts & coffee, and engage in conversation.
- Contact a nursing home and do a small project for them.
- Make and deliver care bags for teachers at an elementary school.
- If you have children in your group, travel to the local elementary schools of all the children in their group, picking up trash and saying prayers around the School, and hopefully engaging in some conversation on the play grounds.

2. GO into the COMMUNITY

This registration option allows you to work with one of our Ministry Partners and local community organizations that need our help. Some of these projects require one to wear work clothes, comfortable shoes and have a willingness to get a little dirty. Please be sure to dress appropriately for the project you sign up for. Some projects have very limited capacity but they all need your help, so if your first preference is full, please choose another. GO into the COMMUNITY (organized/large group)

- Clean up a city block around Sunday Breakfast Mission.
- Beautify the yard around the Urban Promise elementary school.
- Assist with yard-work at Ronald McDonald House.
- Sort and organize donations for Friendship House.
- Spruce up rooms used for family meetings, creating an inviting atmosphere at **Foster Well.**
- Provide a time of Worship and prayer for the advanced care group at Maris
 Grove.
- Paint the dug-outs at Naaman's Little League.

3. GO in the CHURCH

These are projects that will be done in the church Fellowship Hall on GO Sunday. We designed these projects for those who cannot otherwise GO on Sunday. If this is you, please register below. (Each individual must register separately). See the projects below.

- A prayer room to pray for our GO teams and bringing people to Christ.
- Appreciation cards and care baskets will be made for first responders.
- No-sew blankets made for children at Nemours Children's Hospital and nursing home residents.
- Shelf ready meals for Ronald McDonald House.
- **Sorting donations** for Handi-Vangelism, Broken Beginnings, Sunday Breakfast Mission and Urban Promise
- Color-a-Smile pages for nursing homes, veterans, and first responders.

What about children?

We encourage families to GO together! Childcare is available on GO Sunday for children ages 2 and under (aka people too small to help). Children ages 3 and up are encouraged to serve with the rest of their family on GO Sunday. If you need childcare, please state this when registering. More information will be provided after you have registered.

How do I plan a GO Sunday Project?

Get creative! Assess the needs of people in your neighborhood and in our local communities and plan a project that meets those needs. Check out our list of ideas and other options from local service organizations for ways to get involved. If your Small Group is in need of ideas, visit this Ideas page for more information on how to get involved.

How do I communicate my GO Sunday Project with the church?

We'd love to know how your group plans to participate in GO Sunday. You can register your group's project through on the GO Sunday webpage using the <u>"GO On Your Own"</u> registration button.

Who pays the cost of our GO Sunday project?

Each Small Group is responsible for the costs associated with their GO Sunday project. If you are joining a larger organized project at a partner ministry, the team leaders will let you know if you need to bring any supplies. You may need to bring simple items such as yard-work tools and/or painting supplies depending on the project. The Team Leader will contact you prior to GO Sunday with any details on what is needed.

What should I bring on GO Sunday?

Bring any personal items you may need during your project: Comfortable work clothes, unscreen, drinking water, sneakers, a hat, etc. Your Group Leader can confirm any projectspecific items you may need to bring: gloves, rakes, lawnmowers, tarps, work tools, etc. Work clothes are a good idea for serve opportunities requiring physical labor, and we recommend not wearing jewelry.

How will the church communicate more details about GO Sunday?

Small Group Leaders and Co-Leaders will receive weekly emails with Go Sunday updates. In addition, the weekly church wide E-News will include a weekly update. Updates will also be made available on the GO Sunday webpage: <u>https://brandywine.church/gosunday/</u>

What if it rains?

GO Sunday is a rain or shine event. In the event of a severe storm, the out-door projects will be canceled. If the GO Sunday project you registered for is outside, make plans to work during inclement weather. If a major storm event is scheduled for the weekend, the church will cancel the out-door projects and offer a small-group option for groups to meet in homes. The indoor projects will happen rain or shine.

What Next?

- Please register by June 1st and sooner if at all possible.
- Stop by the table in the church lobby someone from the planning team will be there each Sunday, now until GO Sunday.
- Please be in prayer, pray that we would be a church that is truly on the move!
- Please remember to donate items for use with GO Sunday Projects. <u>See the donation</u> <u>list</u>.
- Contact Pastor Terry or Laura Van Hees if you have any additional questions.



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