

FOR Melbourne | Serving Opportunities

FOR Melbourne is more than a sermon series — it’s a movement. It grows out of a simple but powerful conviction: **we are FOR Melbourne because God is FOR Melbourne.** For too long, the church has been known for what it’s against. This guide is our answer to that. In it, you will find two kinds of serving opportunities: those that happen right here at Emmanuel and those that take us out into our community, connecting us with local nonprofits and neighbors who need to know someone is FOR them.

Take a look at the full list and **prayerfully choose one or more opportunities that fit your abilities, schedule, and season of life.** There is no minimum, and there is no pressure. Some of these opportunities are perfect for individuals; others are designed for families, small groups, or friends who want to serve side by side. So don’t keep this guide to yourself! Share it with a friend, a neighbor, or a coworker and ask them, “Which one of these could we do together?” Some of the best conversations about faith begin not in a church building but in the middle of a moment of service.

PART 1: Serving Inside Our Church

These opportunities happen right here at Emmanuel. Whether you're greeting at the door or helping with tech, every role helps create a welcoming place for our community.

Emmanuel’s Worship & Welcome Teams

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Greeter / Door Host	Welcome guests as they arrive on Sunday mornings with a smile and a warm handshake.	All ages	Jackie Dammann
Usher	Guide people to their seats, distribute bulletins, and assist with the offering.	12+	Jackie Dammann
Worship Team / Choir	Participate in leading the congregation in music and praise.	All ages	Wendy Chapman
Tech Booth Volunteer	Run sound, slides, or cameras for Sunday services.	16+ / tech-minded	media@emmanuelmelbourne.org

Emmanuel's Kids & Youth Ministry

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Children's Church Helper	Assist with lessons, crafts, and activities for kids during the worship service.	16+	Kim O'Steen
Nursery Volunteer	Care for infants and toddlers during services so parents can worship freely.	18+	Kim O'Steen
Winter Vacation Bible School	Help plan and run VBS — one of the most impactful community outreach events of the year.	13+	Kim O'Steen

Emmanuel's Mercy Ministries

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Food Pantry Volunteer	Sort, stock, and distribute food to families in need directly from our church campus.	Adults Youth <i>under 18 need permission slip or serve with a guardian</i>	Virginia Drake
Thrift Store Volunteer	Sort clothing donations, organize displays, and assist shoppers at our on-campus thrift store.	Adults Youth <i>under 18 need permission slip or serve with a guardian</i>	Denise Carraro
Food Truck Distribution Helper	Assist with loading, unloading, and distributing meals during mobile food truck outreaches.	Adults Youth <i>under 18 need permission slip or serve with a guardian</i>	Virginia Drake
Congregational Care	Send cards to guests and members of the church for various reasons and seasons.	N/A	Janet Kull
Prayer Team	Pray for the people on our prayer list; host a prayer table at our outreach events.	N/A	pastor@emmanuelmelbourne.org

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Pastoral Care Visitor	Visit homebound or hospitalized members on behalf of our church family.	Adults	Pastor Steve Carleo pastor@emmanuelmelbourne.org

FOR Melbourne Movement Support

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Social Media Ambassador	Share FOR Melbourne content, stories, and serving moments on your personal accounts. Engage and encourage people who make comments. Use the #formelbourne hashtag in your posts.	16+	N/A
Photography / Videography	Capture our community service to share our story visually. Email photos/videos to the media email address.	16+	media@emmanuelmelbourne.org
Passport Coordinator	Manage the FOR Melbourne Passport program — stamp cards, swag distribution, and tracking.	Adults	Please visit the FOR Melbourne Welcome Table in our lobby on Sunday mornings

PART 2: Serve in Our Community

These external opportunities connect you to Brevard County nonprofits and ministries within a short drive of Emmanuel. Each one aligns with our calling to love our neighbor with action.

PRESCHEDULED SERVING OPPORTUNITIES: You can hop on board with any of the following prescheduled events. Simply reach out to the team lead and RSVP.

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Ways for Life	July 7th at Noon. We need a team of 5 – 6 people who can help serve a catered lunch for a GED class.	Adults	Kim Smith

Hunger & Food Security

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Second Harvest Food Bank of Brevard	Sort and package donated food at their Melbourne warehouse on Skyway Circle. Family-friendly shifts available.	10+ (chaperone req. for under 16)	(321) 733-1600 feedhopenow.org
Love INC of Brevard	Connect with their network of care, assisting clients with food, referrals, and wraparound support.	Adults / Groups	(321) 253-9542 loveincbrevard.com

Homeless & Housing Services

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Wholeness to Freedom Ministries	Serve at their community food pantry, counseling center, and worship center near Melbourne.	Adults	(321) 425-5494 wholenesstofreedom.org
HOPE for Brevard	Serve at the animal rescue or events; donate food; donate to their thrift store. See Facebook Page and their website for more information.	Adults	(321) 271-7909 hopeforbrevard.com 1465 Cypress Avenue, Melbourne, FL 32934
Children's Hunger Project	The Children's Hunger Project Helps Feed Brevard County's Most Vulnerable Children on Weekends. <u>Sign up to join or create a packing date.</u>	Adults	(321) 610-1900 thechildrenshungerproject.org
New Life Mission	Since 2009, New Life Mission has equipped homeless women with children with the skills and knowledge to transform their families in a Christ-centered environment. Through education, accountability and goal advancement, our organization empowers families to become self-sufficient. <u>There are a variety of ways to volunteer</u>	Adults	(321) 480-9100 newlife-mission.org/volunteer

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	<u>(from landscaping, to helping with summer camps, and even providing meals).</u>		
Ways for Life	<p>WAYS for Life is a nonprofit organization supporting youth ages 15–25 who are aging out of foster care or otherwise find themselves unaccompanied and/or unhoused.</p> <p>They would benefit from a 5 – 6 person team who can provide a lunch for their GED class. This would involve bringing in a catered lunch, serving the young adults, visiting with them during lunch, and cleaning up afterward. Lunch could be anything we decided to bring in, sandwiches, lasagna/ziti trays, etc.</p>	Adults	<p>(321) 204-4577 waysforlife.org</p> <p>1401 Guava Avenue, 2nd Floor Melbourne, FL 32935</p>
Community of Hope, Brevard	Community of Hope - Brevard provides structured housing and support services to families with children experiencing homelessness in Palm Bay, Florida, helping them maintain stable homes and achieve self-reliance.	Adults	(321) 474-0966 hopeofbrevard.com
Equipped & Encouraged (foster care family support organization)	<p>Parenting can be difficult. Foster families, adoptive families, and families in crisis often find parenting exponentially more difficult.</p> <p>You might not be called to foster or adopt, but chances are there is a way that you can support children and families who need the encouragement of their community.</p>	Adults	(321) 345-1243 equippedandencouraged.org
Providence Connects (Formed out of a merger of Daily Bread and South Brevard Sharing Center)	A team of 5 – 6 people to serve as Personal Shoppers : greet assigned guests with warmth and professionalism and introduce themselves and learn their names. Use the	Adult	<p>(321) 723-1060 providenceconnects.org</p> <p>17 E. Hibiscus Blvd. Melbourne, FL 32901</p>

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	<p>color-coded token system to guide selections and adhere to pantry guidelines on item quantities. Accompany guests through the pantry, placing selected items in a cart for bagging at the end of their visit.</p> <p>Shifts available Tuesday – Friday.</p>		

Children, Youth & Education

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Candlelighters of Brevard	Support families of children with cancer through event help and resource distribution.	Adults	(321) 728-5600 436 5th Ave #1, Indialantic, FL 32903
Brevard Public Schools — Mentor Program	Serve as a mentor or reading buddy at local elementary and middle schools.	Adults	https://www.brevardschools.org/page/become-a-mentor

Senior Adults & Hospice Care

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
St. Francis Reflections Lifestage Care	Our volunteers visit patients in nursing facilities, private homes, and our Care Center in Titusville. As a patient care volunteer, we will work with you to find a role within the area you feel most comfortable traveling to. Office volunteers help us at our admin buildings located in Titusville and Melbourne.	Adults	(321) 269-4240 https://reflectionspsc.org/volunteering
Horizon Rehabilitation Center – Chapel Ministry	Get in touch with Chuck to help serve communion and make visits to the residents.	Adults	Chuck Kravitz
Ageing Matters of Brevard / Meals	Help support the hunger in our community. This organization helps prepare and deliver food for	Adults	(321) 639-8770 https://agingmattersbrevard.org/contact/get-involved-volunteer

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
on Wheels Brevard County	elderly, pets, and vets. You can help with transportation, preparation of food, or even administrative tasks.		

Other Service Opportunities

Serving Opportunity	Description	Ages / Skills	Leader/Contact
Pay It Backwards Drive-Through	Pay for the meal or coffee of the person behind you and display your FOR Melbourne bumper sticker.	All ages	N/A
Donuts for Neighbors	Buy and deliver a dozen donuts to a local first responder station, school, or neighbor. Be sure to write FOR MELBOURNE on the bag or inside cover.	All ages	N/A
Blessing Bags Distribution	Assemble and hand out bags with hygiene essentials to people experiencing homelessness.	All ages	Kim O'Steen
BRIGHT Brevard Justice Advocacy	Join local churches doing community justice work through organized people power. brightbrevard.com	Adults	annmarie@thedartcenter.org https://www.brightbrevard.com
Canaveral Port Ministry	We do what we do for the crew whether on cruise ships or cargo ships. Our services aim to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of seafarers coming into Port Canaveral.	Adults	(321) 783-0007 https://www.cpm.life/volunteer
Vietnam War Exhibit and Education Center	The museum would love to have you serve as a tour guide (training available).	Adults	(321) 212-9726 vietnamwarexhibit.com 2475 Jen Dr., Suite 5, Melbourne, FL 32940

Coffee and Donut Hour Sponsors

We are blessed to have the following community partners come and provide donuts and coffee on the following dates. Be sure to stop by their table in the lobby to learn more about coming alongside their mission. They will also provide a brief FOR Melbourne Moment during our worship service to explain how you can get involved!

June 21 - Equipped and Encouraged

June 28 - New Life Mission

July 12 - Canaveral Port Ministry

July 19 - One Blood (The One Blood Bus will be here for donations between 9:30 AM and Noon).

July 26 - Children's Hunger Project

PART 3: Your FOR Melbourne Serving Passport

Every time you serve — inside the church or out in the community — you earn points toward FOR Melbourne swag! Get your card stamped at our FOR Melbourne Welcome Table in the church lobby.

How It Works

- **Each hour serving in the church/community** = 1 point
- **Group events** (Attend a serving opportunity with at least two other people) = 2 points
- **Bring a friend** who has never served with Emmanuel = 1 point
- **Create an engaging post on social media** to highlight you and/or your team’s work in the community (use **#formelbourne** hashtag) = 1 point
- **Provide a FOR Melbourne testimony** during our church service (you can do this live or pre-recorded); must work with the media coordinator = 3 points

Tier	Requirements	Your Reward
1	1 point	FOR Melbourne sticker pack
2	5 points	FOR Melbourne button
3	15 points	*FOR Melbourne coffee mug
4	30 points	*FOR Melbourne T-Shirt
5	50 points	**FOR Melbourne Champion T-Shirt (to be distributed at our volunteer appreciation luncheon in September).

***All rewards are available on a first-come, first-served basis as supplies are limited.**

****The champion t-shirt is guaranteed for those who reach 50 points. You must earn 50 points by the end of August, as this shirt must be pre-ordered.**

My Serving Log

Use this space to log each serving opportunity. Get it signed by a coordinator to validate your points.

Date	Where I Served	Hours	Points	Signature