



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

TO LOVE IS TO LISTEN

The name Stephen comes from Saint Stephen, who was the first layperson commissioned by the Apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need. (Acts 6)

What is Stephen Ministry?

One-to-One Ministry by trained caring Lay Ministers who have responded to God's call to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the lay of Christ."

What is a Stephen Minister?

A Stephen Minister IS

A child of God who walks beside a hurting person

A caring Christian friends who really listens

A lay person who has received 50 hours of training in how to provide distinctively Christian care

A Stephen Minister is NOT...

A counselor or therapist

A problem solver

A casual visitor

How Can You Be Involved?

Do you have the gift of mercy, encouragement, or intercession?

- Pray for our Stephen Ministers
- Help us to stay sensitive to those who need caring support
- Help make others aware of the support system that is available
- Consider God's direction as to whether you should become a Stephen Minister.
- Recommend someone to receive care

Want to know more?

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