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1. Who/What is Stephen Ministry?

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2. What is my time commitment to this ministry?

Initially you will complete 50 hours of training under the direction of our Stephen Leader. Then you must make a two year commitment to this ministry.

3. How are Stephen Ministers assigned to care receivers.

Father Tim and your Stephen Leader will make assignments. Men are assigned to men and women to women. You will be assigned to ONE care receiver at a time.

4. Is there a cost to becoming at Stephen Minister?

At this time, the church cannot afford to buy training materials. The essential Training Library includes 5 books all of which can be purchased for a reduced price of \$49.95. (Included: Stephen Ministry Training Manual (\$29.95 - 2 vols.), Christian Caregiving: A Way of Life (\$14.95); Speaking the Truth in Love (\$13.95); and When and How to Use Mental Health Resources (\$12.95). One copy of each of the last 3 books will be available to read at church; therefore, you would only need the Training Manual (\$29.95). However, all assigned readings must be completed before each class.

5. How will I complete the 50 hours of training?

Training will begin in January 2018. Classes will meet on Monday evenings from 6-9PM at church. Some classes will be held on Saturdays from 9-4. Attendance at all classes is important. This is a generous and serious commitment of your time. Training should be completed within 4-5 months.

6. Introductory Sessions

You must attend an Introductory Session. Sunday, November 19, 9:15-10:00; Sunday, November 26, 11:30-12:30 and Sunday, December 3, 11:30-12:30.

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