WHAT IS YOUR SHAPE?

God has been molding and shaping you to serve since you were born. In fact, God started uniquely shaping you even before you were born! We learn this in Psalm 139:14-16. Your readiness to serve is determined by your **S.H.A.P.E.** This tool is part of a spiritual gifts discovery course called *Network.*

1. What is your spiritual gift – I Corinthians 7:7

2. What is your heart passion – Revelation 7:17

3. What are your abilities – I Corinthians 12:6

4. What is your personality – I Corinthians 2:11

5. What is your experience – Hebrews 5:12-13

Learning and living in your "S.H.A.P.E." for serving comes with discovery, practice, and affirmation. At Cornerstone we are committed to helping you learn to serve according to God's special design of your life.

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Your Place Of Service

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.
I Peter 4:10-11

HOW TO SERVE?

Jesus Christ sets the pattern for serving in John 13. There we read about His willingness to humbly wash the feet of His disciples. We are called to love one another in the same way. What does that look like in the Church? Sadly, this sometimes means that a separation develops between the sensational or visible places of service, and those roles that are more menial or practical. This is a problem which the Apostle Paul addressed in the Corinthian church. He used the example of a physical body to teach us that every member differs in their function, but they are equal in value.

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body - whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.
I Corinthians 12:12-14

WHY SERVE?

What is the goal of Christian service? It is the building up of the Body to be like Christ (Ephesians 4:11-13). So, the goal is transformation, not merely task completion. Do you have a flow-through philosophy? In John 7:38 Jesus explained that the Holy Spirit will flow from within as "*rivers of living water*." Some of us want to be a lake, not a river. We want to accumulate before we let too much flow through. However, if you are a Christian you need to let the blessing of Jesus flow through you.

WHO CAN SERVE?

If you know and love the Lord Jesus as your Saviour, you can serve at Cornerstone. If you would like to serve with children or youth, we require the completion of a *Volunteer Ministry Application* which includes a *Criminal Records Check*, in accordance with our *Abuse Prevention Policy*.

If you would like to serve in a leadership role, we expect a time of acquaintance with Cornerstone and becoming a member of the church. If you have questions about where you can contribute, you can contact Pastor Brent at brent@cornerstoneneighbourhood.com.

We count as service what we do in the way of Christian work; Jesus Christ calls service what we are to Him, not what we do for Him.
Oswald Chambers

WHERE CAN YOU SERVE?

There are many ways you can contribute to the ministry of Cornerstone. There are caring roles, such as ushering or greeting. There are roles that help people grow, such as Home Groups or women's ministry. There are other opportunities that involve outreach and care for our community. If you are interested in serving in any one of our ministries, the first step is to complete a *Volunteer Ministry Discernment* form. This is a tool which is used by one of our leaders to help you discover the right place of service for you.