DEACON MINISTRY TEAMS:

Deacon ministry at First Baptist Roswell is focused primarily on our Deacon Ministry Teams. These teams are encouraged to enlist members of the congregation to assist with their areas of service. Teams will record monthly progress and report periodically to the Deacon body during the monthly meetings.

- (1) <u>Congregational Care Team</u> (gifts include *Teaching, Exhortation, Mercy, Knowledge, and Wisdom*). The objective of this team is to provide care for church members and those in our community during times of crisis and need. This team provides care through visits to hospitals, nursing homes, homebound visits, etc. and may also reach out to individuals/families with cards, phone calls, emails, and/or texts. <u>These deacons may also decide to have team members serve as "on-call" deacons each week to respond to emergencies and other pastoral care needs. This team should also keep the ministerial staff informed of congregational care needs.</u>
- (2) <u>Prayer Team</u> (gifts include *Prophecy, Faith, and Discernment*). The objective of this team is to pray regularly and often for the church, its mission and purpose, the activities and program, as well as the needs of its people. This team can provide prayerful support by meeting each Sunday morning as a group to pray for the worship services and times of discipleship and Bible study. This team may also sponsor times of prayer for the entire church. Each member of this team is encouraged to pray daily for the church, the ministers, and the membership and to promote a life of prayer for all FBR members. The team may also want to contact the Congregational Care Team or the Service Team if they are aware of specific needs in the church or community.
- (3) <u>Service and Special Projects Team</u> (gifts include Service, Mercy, and Giving). The objective of this team is to coordinate and provide hands-on service projects for people in the church and community. Members of this team offer assistance for special church events and/or programs at the church. These deacons can also provide practical acts of service for senior adults, widows/widowers, disabled individuals, and others who need assistance and care. <u>This team is also responsible for transportation for those needing help getting to and from church.</u>
- (4) <u>Hospitality Team</u> (gifts include *Leadership, Mercy, and Service*). The objective of this team is to demonstrate hospitality and warmth to all guests and visitors at FBR. These deacons work with the ushers and others to welcome people attending church programs and direct guests to appropriate Sunday School classes and worship. <u>This team should connect new members to others in the church and help new members become acclimated and find their place at FBR. The hospitality team also coordinates the golf cart ministry.</u>
- (5) <u>Outreach/Community Team</u> (gifts include Wisdom, Leadership, and Exhortation). The objective of this team is to lead the church in reaching out to our community through church events as well as community activities. These deacons should encourage the church to reach beyond our walls through participation in community events. This team can plan and organize activities for the church to extend our hospitality to the community.

Each team will have a designated leader for the calendar year. The leader will organize the Team around their mission, ensure the team is operating appropriately and efficiently, and report to the Deacon body twice each year on team activities and ministries. Time will be allocated in each monthly meeting for teams to meet and discuss their activities.