

COVENANT CHURCH

bold actions speak
louder than words

2018 partner agreement



Covenant Church Program

The Covenant Church Program supports Habitat for Humanity's goal to help Habitat homeowners achieve the strength, stability and independence they need to build a better life for themselves and their families. The program shapes the commitment between the local church or parish and Habitat for Humanity, forming a partnership to build simple, decent and **affordable** homes with those in need. Habitat hopes to build new relationships and a sense of community, while building homes.

The Covenant Church Partner Agreement is a yearlong agreement.

Ways for a Congregation to Engage

PRAY.

Watauga Habitat seeks to engage faith organizations in the spiritual aspects of our ministry through practical means.

1. Pray privately or as a congregation for Watauga Habitat and the homeowners.
2. Lead a devotion and prayer at a construction build site, at a homeowner workshop, or at a house ceremony (groundbreaking ceremonies mark the start of construction and house dedications celebrate the completion).
3. Set aside one Sunday a year to draw attention to the need for safe, affordable, decent housing in our country, state, and county and to pray for God's help in solving the problem. Watauga Habitat can provide handouts, cardboard collection boxes, collection envelopes, statistics, or presentation materials.

SERVE.

Watauga Habitat offers various volunteer opportunities to help us eradicate substandard housing and build decent, affordable homes.

1. On a build site – volunteer as an individual or a group at a worksite. Site supervisor, training, materials and tools are provided. No experience necessary.
2. In our office – volunteer in our office doing clerical work such as answering phones, assisting with mailings, and data entry.
3. In our ReStore – volunteer in our Watauga Habitat Restore. It sells building materials and gently-used household furniture and items.
4. Attend a house ceremony-groundbreaking ceremonies mark the start of construction on a home and house dedications celebrate their completion
5. On a committee-In addition to the volunteer Board of Directors, Watauga Habitat is looking for volunteers to serve on the following committees: Resource Development, Family Support and Faith Relations.

DONATE.

In addition to time and talent, Watauga Habitat has many ways people can contribute financial resources to help build more homes for our neighbors. We're a 501(C)3 organization, and all donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

1. Give a financial gift - to help us build more homes.
2. Donate to our ReStore – Donations to the ReStore are tax-deductible. Having a church yard sale? Donate your “leftovers” of household furniture, appliances, and wares (no clothing, please). Our ReStore staff can arrange for pick-up (828-268-9696)
3. Make an in-kind gift – of product or service. Do you know any construction subcontractors who would be willing to donate their labor? Shop owners can donate overstock inventory or returned items for use in our homes or to the ReStore.
4. Sponsor Fundraisers – Contact our office to learn about upcoming fundraisers. Or, hold your own fundraising event and designate Watauga Habitat as the recipient.
5. Sponsor a house or a part of a house – Watauga Habitat house sponsorship levels range from partial to full sponsorship. Congregations can partner with other local congregations or local businesses to sponsor a house or to provide the labor to build a house. The hard costs for materials of a Habitat house in our county average \$100,000.

For more information or for any of the resources cited above, please contact:

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COVENANT CHURCH PARTNER AGREEMENT

A Covenant Church agrees to engage its Congregation,
in each of the following ways in 2018:

Through Prayer.

To pray for the ministry of Watauga Habitat for Humanity and our homebuyers.

Through Service.

To participate in at least one Watauga Habitat for Humanity volunteer activity during the year.

Through Charitable Giving.

To financially support the work of Watauga Habitat for Humanity (check one):

☐ Foundation Builder (gifts to \$124)

☐ Master Crafter (\$125 to \$249)

☐ Roof Raiser (\$250 - \$499)

☐ Foreman (\$500 - \$999)

☐ Architect (\$1,000 - \$4,999)

☐ Community Builder (\$5,000+)

To be paid in payments of (check one):

☐ Quarterly

☐ Semi-annually

☐ One-time

☐ Other _____

Church Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Amount: \$ _____ Date: _____

Please return to: Watauga County Habitat PO Box 33DTS Boone NC 28607
