

A Volunteer is a Child of God



Please print these pages and complete them as you go through the eLearning course.

What you will learn:

- Every volunteer is a child of God
- Three types of Operation Christmas Child volunteers
- Important facets of being a child of God that ease and empower our service to Him
- Financial vs. people stewardship

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Fill in the blanks as you complete this section of the course.

As OCC Connect Volunteers, we are _____ of God, going about our Father's _____.

Three Kinds of Volunteers

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In High Impact, we think of three kinds of volunteers:

1. _____ or Informal Volunteers (short-term or seasonal volunteer): Someone who may work at a relay or processing center for a few hours.
2. _____ or Year-Round _____ Volunteers: Identify closely with our organization and share the deepest values of our organization; they carry considerable responsibility and represent a serious risk.
3. High Impact _____ Volunteers: Regional Area Coordinators, Area Coordinators, and Ministry Coordinators; these volunteers are the same as High Impact Volunteers but take on even greater responsibility.

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Important facets of being a child of God that will ease and empower our service to Him:

1. Know your _____.
 - a. No family _____ is greater than our _____ as a child of God.

Reflection Question

What are the benefits of being a child of God? Make a list. _____

Every Volunteer is a Child of God (continued)

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Important facets of being a child of God that will ease and empower our service to Him:

2. _____ on your Dad.
 - a. He delights in our _____ as obedient children.
3. We are part of a new _____.
 - a. Every Connect Area Team volunteer is more than a _____;
they are a brother or sister—a part of our _____.

Reflection Question

Read 1 Timothy 5:1-2 and Ephesians 2:19-22. What does it mean to be a part of the family of God? _____

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Important facets of being a child of God that will ease and empower our service to Him:

4. An OCC Team should not be a _____ family.
 - a. In High Impact, we talk about the in-here goals of _____ community.
 - i. We share each other's burdens.
 - ii. We encourage one another.
 - iii. We speak the truth in love.
 - b. Real love encourages _____ and self-awareness.
5. A child of God has a God-given _____.
 - a. Every child of God has God-given _____ gifts and has been designed in a special way to accomplish the _____ of the Father.
6. Every child of God has a role to play in advancing God's _____, however that _____ be with OCC.
7. Because we are children of God, it's okay to ask our volunteers to be _____ family members.

Reflection Question

If you heard there was financial impropriety in an organization that you support, how would you react? _____

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Financial Stewardship v. People Stewardship

Fill in the blanks as you complete this section of the course.

1. Good _____ of finances and financial integrity is important; however, the stewardship of God's _____ is far more crucial and central to God's strategy.
2. Making finances too important can _____ leaders and _____ our ministries.
3. A ministry could have all the _____ backing in the world and accomplish little or nothing without _____.
4. The vast majority of OCC's ministry is accomplished by _____.
5. Use your time and your financial resources to invest in _____ and _____ that will extend far beyond your life and reach deep into eternity.
6. The stewardship of _____ is far more important than _____ stewardship.
7. Know that volunteer _____ is an investment that pays incredible _____.
8. Realize that _____ and _____ are temporary resources that can only be used while we're still here on earth.

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Essential Activities

Essential Activities and Elective Practical Exercises are ways for you to apply what you are learning in your Leadership Development Program coursework in real time, gaining “on the job” experience as you develop in your leadership role. These activities and exercises help align the tasks you would already be doing as a leader volunteer with what you are learning in the program.

Below you will find a list of Essential Activities to work on with your regional point of contact that relate to this particular course and your overall ministry as an Operation Christmas Child leader volunteer. You should complete each of these activities.

- What are some ways you depend on your Heavenly Father? Are there any areas you need to surrender to the Lord as you serve in your role with OCC? As you spend time in God’s Word and in prayer, ask the Lord to reveal to you any areas where you have not depended on Him and give those areas over to Him.
- What are some ways you can develop authentic community among your team members? Think of ways you can invest in your Ministry Coordinators and/or team members and apply them as you lead and develop your team. Make a list and include these in your “in-here” goals.
- Ask God to reveal to you someone on your team who might need a reminder that their value comes from being a Child of God. Write a note of affirmation to that person.

Elective Practical Exercises

Review the Elective Practical Exercise below with your regional point of contact. You should be prepared to discuss the exercise at your next meeting with your regional point of contact.

- At a team meeting, teach team members something you have learned from this lesson.