WHAT CAN I Do?

How many times have you heard a young child say something like, "I'm bored; there's nothing to do?" I guess it's pretty normal for kids (who are accustomed to having their days structured and planned for them in school) to get bored during the summer or breaks during the school year. It's usually not too difficult to find something for them to do and they're satisfied.

However, many adults, just like children, fall into the habit of saying, "The church doesn't need me; there's nothing for me to do, I'm bored." Too many people have convinced themselves they have to be ASKED to be involved in the work of the church. Well, consider yourself ASKED.

The Lord's church is always in need of faithful brethren willing to work in strengthening themselves and the body. Following this list is a great place to begin!

- Send a card to those who are sick, lonely, or bereaved (Rom. 12:10-15).
- Visit the sick, lonely, or shut-ins (James 1:27).
- Visit new members or have them in your home.
- Visit absentees and encourage them to attend (James 5:19-20).
- Worship regularly with the saints, and be on time (Heb. 10:24-26).

- Contribute to reverence and dignity in the assembly (1 Cor. 14:40).
- Read and study your Bible every day and pray (2 Tim. 2:15; 2 Thess. 5:17).
- Distribute good literature (tracts, CDs, DVDs of sermons, etc.).
- Use your car to bring others to services.
- Teach your children and grandchildren the Truth (Prov. 22:6).
- Teach home Bible studies or arrange for them in your home (Matt. 28:19-20).
- Be friendly and greet visitors (Prov. 18:24).
- Develop hospitality toward all men and especially one another (Rom. 12:13).
- Give as you have been prospered [1 Cor. 16:2].
- Use your telephone or email in contacting and encouraging others.
- Take food to the sick, needy, bereaved (James 1:27).
- Live godly, peaceful lives (Rom. 12:18).
- Speak highly of the church and its work to others.
- Be thankful (Eph. 5:20).
- Put the kingdom of God and His righteousness first in your life (Matt. 6:33).