THE SIGNAL Frontier School of the Bible



Why Are Support Roles in Ministry Important?

As ministries consider their staff, volunteers, and mission statement, they must ask themselves, "Why are support roles important to our ministry?" Despite the world's philosophy, a biblical standpoint gives importance to every member of ministry no matter how "small" their role.

In the world's perspective, honor is based on rank and position. You can see this in politics, businesses, and banks: the CEO has more honor than the janitor. However, respected companies in the world stress the importance of every individual in their employ.

When it comes to Christ's body of believers, we all have been given equal honor in Christ regardless of our position in the world. Let's look to Christ as our example. Christ washed away the sins of the world yet stopped to wash the disciples' feet. He fed the five thousand but also fed his disciples. He loved and served others in both big and small ways. "Christ makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love" (Eph. 4:16, NLT). God has called us each to a different aspect of ministry. As we all fulfill our unique positions, we show others the love of Christ by supporting those who are called to different roles within the body of Christ. In the end, there are no "support" or "supported" roles. Instead, we are all to be working toward our common goal: the furtherance of the Gospel.

With this in mind, we want to focus our attention on several individuals here at FSB who serve behind the scenes in the maintenance department. Their mission statement fully encompasses the heart of the team: "The FSB maintenance team exists to bring glory to God through serving the Frontier staff and students by maintaining the buildings, grounds, and fleet; while also seeking to model Christian servanthood."

Answers to Prayer / Praises

- New additions to our faculty/staff
- God's continued financial provision for the school
- · A great start to the school year
- Fruitful summer ministries for faculty, staff, and students





Meet the FSB Maintenance Team



Peter (Esther) Davis Jeff (Nickie) Robinson Chad (Kris) Hollopeter Jeff (Sheila) Waltermire Ray (Sarah) Young

What is your reason for being in ministry?

"A single reason for my service in ministry is simply that the Lord has bought me and called me. In support of those truths is the constant awareness of a world that needs to hear the truth at a time when truth is covered, scrambled, dismissed and denied. If I can help in some way to make it known, that's where I want to serve." -Ray Young

"I want to serve the Lord and use the skills that I have for his glory." - Chad Hollopeter

"Because I believe that is what God wants me to do." -Peter Davis

"All believers are to be a part in going into all the world to preach the gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15). We also see in Rom. 12 that we have spiritual gifts to be used like parts of the body are to be used. In light of that, I want to use the gifts God has given me to be part of preaching the Gospel to every creature." -Jeff Waltermire

Why is support ministry important?

"Not sure I agree with the term, although I understand why it is used. I would rather refer to it as 'behind-the-scenes' ministry. We are all about the same task-training and equipping young people for the ministry. We just have different roles, and I don't believe any of them to be more important than the other. All are extremely important." -Jeff Robinson

"In the military, you find that for every person on the front line, there are a lot of people in roles that support them. I see this nearly daily in ministry." -Jeff Waltermire

"Each component of a ministry has the same end goal, and those serving in ministry assist and complement others serving in a different capacity." -Chad Hollopeter

"The beauty of the body of Christ is that we all need one another. Not one of us has been equipped to fulfill the Great Commission alone.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- That the students would be motivated by our theme, "Tell It!"
- That the Lord would provide good jobs for the students.
- That Christian service assignments would be fruitful.
- That our Academic Dean, Charlie Hornick, would be healed of cancer.
- That the Lord would lead the school in a possible evangelistic outreach.

All of us have gifts that differ and all were meant to be employed in service to Christ accordingly." -Ray Young

Where were you before you came to FSB?

Washington State - Chad Hollopeter Indonesia and Grand Rapids, Michigan - Ray Young Manitoba, Canada and Nebraska - Jeff Robinson Wisconsin - Peter Davis Bolivia and Michigan - Jeff Waltermire

What are some of the life experiences that have prepared you for your current ministry?

"One of the most important was when my local church gave me the opportunity to learn how to run AV for a service. I learned the basics through them and years later I am running AV for services here and teaching others how to do the same." -Peter Davis

"As a child, I was surrounded by people in ministry, from my Sunday school teachers and pastors to overseas missionaries. Their faithful examples, teaching, and investment in me are a major part of my fundamental preparation for ministry." -Ray Young

"While I was a university student, I worked for the security department for 3 years. Studying to be an aircraft mechanic gave me a broad training in many areas. Not a single acquired skill is ever wasted. The Lord can use most any occupation in ministry." -Jeff Waltermire

"I have always been involved in carpentry and construction of some form or another and had a desire to combine the hands-on experience with a pastoral heart." - Jeff Robinson

"Working at a power plant for 15 years taught me the value of working through complex problems. Working as a chaplain assistant for 17 years in the Army Reserve National Guard has taught me the value of trusting in God, the importance of building Christ-centered relationships, and the power of prayer." - Chad Hollopeter

Favorite Bible verse?

Chad Hollopeter - Proverbs 3:5-6 - "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." Ray Young - Acts 20:24 - "But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

Jeff Robinson - Phil. 2:5-11 - "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Peter Davis - Rom. 8:28 - "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."

Jeff Waltermire - Rom. 8:1 - "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

Thank you, maintenance team, for using your skills and abilities to serve FSB and the Lord!

There are always many opportunities for volunteer work and service here at FSB. If you are interested in volunteering to help with a work project, please contact us!

Upcoming

- October 16-22 Special Lectures
- November 25-26 Thanksgiving Break
- December 17-January 7 Christmas Break
- January 10 Start of Spring Semester
- February 28-March 4 Special Lectures
- March 7-14 Spring Break
- May 6 Graduation