

SERVE LEHIGH VALLEY

BAPTIST RESOURCE NETWORK

Meeting needs and sharing Christ
across Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton,
Schnecksville and beyond.

ABOUT SERVEPASJ

Thank you for your interest in this year's Serve Lehigh Valley, a partnership between the Baptist Resource Network of Pennsylvania/South Jersey and its churches and partners who seek to demonstrate the love of Christ through compassion ministry.

The Serve Lehigh Valley tour is the fourth such tour in which hundreds of volunteers from several churches across our two-state region and beyond have gathered to serve communities together. Previous tours focused on Pennsylvania's Philadelphia, Erie, and Wilkes-Barre/Scranton areas. We are excited to focus on the Lehigh Valley next!

We believe God wants to use His church as a mobilized missionary force to demonstrate His love for others. We do this by serving the people who work, reside, and visit our target cities.

Volunteer projects can include light construction, work with immigrants, food and clothing distribution, block parties, school and community beautification, evangelism, and more.

Perhaps you have a project that will impact the community? Let us know! We'd love to help! Whether meeting a large or small need, we believe God can use our compassionate efforts to open doors to transform communities.

Learn more at www.servepasj.com or reach out to our director Buff McNickle (see below).

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ABOUT THE BRN

The Baptist Resource Network (BRN) is one of 41 state conventions who partner with the Southern Baptist Convention. It is the fourth largest non-South Baptist state convention by population.

Everything we do centers on four key parts of our strategy (assess, assist, activate, and advance) to help churches accelerate Kingdom movement. Our team of missionaries offers customized training and resources because we know churches are in different stages of growth.

We believe the gospel of Jesus Christ is the main accelerant of the work that churches do across the BRN, because it is the only way to see a multiplication movement of new disciples, new leaders, new ministries, and new churches across our two-state region.

At the BRN, we have a clear vision of wanting to see every church within our Pennsylvania/South Jersey geography become a healthy, multiplying church.

SERVEPASJ VISION

OUR VISION IS THREE-FOLD:

1. IMPACT

As a collective force, we want to come alongside our local churches in the Lehigh Valley region and help them become more visible to their communities so they can make gospel impact and transform lives.

2. IGNITE

We want to ignite a passionate movement of churches and partners meeting needs and sharing Christ, not only in the Lehigh Valley, but all the across our region and beyond.

3. UNITE

We want to continue building unity as we come to serve together as a network and demonstrate that we are all a part of something much bigger than ourselves.

TESTIMONIALS

"My desire has always been to create a restorative-based compassion ministry opportunity for churches to see and be a part of and then replicate in some form or fashion in their communities when they go back. If we can mobilize churches around those opportunities, then the fruit we would like to see is a deeper compassion for the people we live with and can serve on a day-in-day-out opportunity." --BUFF MCNICKLE, BRN DIRECTOR OF COMPASSION MINISTRY & PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

"It is such an incredible blessing and joy to see this crew of people...I mean we have people from different states here today that know absolutely nothing about us, and it is just incredible to see their excitement and their willingness to serve." --PRINCIPAL VANESSA EDWARDS, CROSS CREEK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY, LEHMAN, PA.

"The connections and the opportunities to continue building trust in a new neighborhood, and to have people that come from hours and hours away to spend time investing and caring about people here in North Scranton, that means a lot." --SCOTT HALL, SENIOR PASTOR AT THE GROVE CHURCH, SCRANTON, PA.

"This weekend was awesome. To have all of these hundreds of volunteers to be here and to help us do the things that, frankly, we've been wanting to do – we've been dreaming about doing – it's really, really awesome." --DENNY ADKINSON, SENIOR PASTOR AT WALNUT CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH, ERIE, PA.

"God's providing the people to do the work. Seeing our community partners and the volunteers, and then even our volunteers that regularly volunteer with us, everybody and their brother coming out of the woodwork to want to be a part of something that's bigger than them, that's just a beautiful thing." --KATIE PEPPERS, ERIE CITY MISSION VOLUNTEER AND SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR

"The residual effect of bringing a team to Serve Tour Philly has paid off big dividends at our church... You get more out of it than you put into it." --JASON HUNTER, SENIOR PASTOR AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CLARION, PA.

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