

**Program:** Women's Ministry **Position:** Volunteer **Title:** Friend Volunteer

Oversight: Family Focus Community Coordinator

# **PURPOSE**:

Our Forerunner Moms are the real deal. They do the absolute most to provide for their family in every way. They work. They serve. They do carpool. They cook. They parent. They do it all, and we want to come alongside them with friendship and support as they provide for their children.

A friend is someone who listens, loves you for who you are, and encourages you when times get hard. A friend doesn't have an agenda or offer unsolicited advice, but instead focuses on ways to champion you as you become the best version of yourself. That is why we call our Women's Ministry volunteers "Friends".

We believe "Relationships Change Lives" and we make that happen by spending time with our moms and entering into their worlds by listening and showing up. We'd love for you to be a part of that.

### FRIEND DESCRIPTION:

- **SHOW UP:** Volunteer Friends help make our events for our moms come to life! By showing up early to help set up, engaging moms into conversations and activities, helping facilitate activities, and staying after to help clean up our Friends make our Ladies' Nights and Bible Studies beautiful, fun, & impactful nights of fellowship!
- BUILD UP: Volunteer Friends have the power to make our Forerunner Moms feel seen, heard, and loved. They do this by intentionally asking our moms questions, making them feel welcome, and hearing their story. Volunteer Friends have the freedom to build relationships both in & outside of our events, making them a special part of the relational ministry of Forerunner Mentoring.
- SHARE JESUS: Volunteer Friends can love our Forerunner Moms well by lifting up their burdens and needs in prayer. We believe prayer works, and some of our moms do not have one person in this world praying for them. What a cool opportunity we have to be the one! Volunteer Friends have the opportunity to be the light of Jesus in the lives of our Forerunner Moms' lives.

#### TIME COMMITMENT:

• **ONBOARDING:** 2 hours | As you jump in to serve with us as a Friend, you'll be equipped with everything you need to be an amazing Friend for our Forerunner Moms through a training with the Family Focus Community Coordinator.



- MONTHLY: 3-4 hours | This includes helping plan and facilitate our Ladies' Nights, Women's Bible Studies, and other events we put on for the incredible moms of our Forerunners.
- ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES: Up to your discretion | As you build relationships with the
  Forerunner Moms we encourage you to connect with them outside of events as you see
  fit. Grab dinner, chat over the phone, take your kids to the park together whatever you do
  with other friends!

# **CHARACTER COMMITMENT:**

We want all of our Forerunner Families to know the love of God, and leave encouraged and built up every time they engage with our staff and volunteers. All of our Friends are expected to be actively growing in their love and walk with the Lord in a local church community.

All volunteers and staff in our program are required to comply with Forerunner Mentoring's policies, statement of beliefs, and core values. All volunteers must be able to pass a background check and clear our safety screenings before being allowed to participate.

# **ACTION STEPS:**

Fill out the application
Wait to be contacted by the Family Focus Community Coordinator
Complete background check, MinistrySafe training, and any additional paperwork
Complete onboarding training with oversight
Begin volunteering

At Forerunner we value feedback. We want your voice to help shape our culture and how we operate. We encourage you to let us know what you experience while volunteering at Forerunner Mentoring. You will receive surveys and be given other opportunities to share. As we say here at Forerunner: Always be growing!