

## Guide to Raising Financial & Prayer Support

## On top of your monthly stipend, you are also encouraged to raise support from friends and family, this is a great way to keep people in your life involved though-out your summer.

"Hey y'all! I just wanted to share about a time that God has showed up and provided for me through doubt, and confusion. When I was going through my internship here at Doe River Gorge, I went through a rough season where I didn't know if I was supposed to be here, and if this was even Gods will for my life. I was calling my family for advice and talking with Jennifer (Discipleship Coordinator) about what I should do. I spent a lot of time in prayer, and told myself that if this feeling wasn't gone in a week, then I was going to withdraw from the internship. My mistake here is that I was leaning on my feelings and not the truths of the situation. The day after I talked with Jennifer, I ended up getting \$1,000 in support, and what an answer that was. God showed up, and showed out. Him providing that money in support for me to be here, was just an eye-opening experience to me, in showing me that it's not I that's in control, but Him, and He will provide." -Brooke Crabeels

## Step One - Soften your heart for the Lord's work!

Check out the story of Elijah and the widow is a great representation to us of how God provides our needs. Start your support raising journey with this story, and what Gods trying to show you through this story of God provision. *1 Kings 17 (Elijah and the Widow)* 

**Step Two -Begin with prayer.** Stop right now and commit yourself to God. Admit your need for total dependence upon Him as never before. Ask God to give you a teachable heart as you prepare to minister at Doe River Gorge Ministries, and to allow you to learn more about Him even through the process of raising support and ministry partners.

Continue to make prayer a priority. As you contact people concerning your needs, pray for them. As you share publicly about your summer, pray for those to whom you speak. Commit all you do to the Lord in prayer. We recommend that you gather a group of prayer partners for your summer of ministry. Asking for prayer support is even more important than asking for financial gifts as your prayer warriors can pray for your spiritual ministry *as well as* your financial needs.

**Step Three:** Once you are ready, reach out to Jennifer! She will get you connected with some of our returning summer staff to start your next steps for support raising. *Matthew 7:7 "Ask and it will be given, seek and you will find..."* 

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