

VOLUNTEER PROCESS

Who are we looking for?

We are typically looking for potential volunteers who have experience in an amateur or a professional production environment or those people who enjoy tinkering with or operating electronic or audio/video equipment or computers and are willing to put in the time and effort that it takes to become proficient at a position on the WAV team.



Volunteer Application

Go to the First Connect table on level two and complete a ***First Connect Ministry Interest Information*** form. We will send an application packet via email. You will also get an application via email if you list us as you're second or third choice on your form if forwarded to us. If we fill our volunteer spaces before receiving your info sheet, we will let you know. The application packet provides the staff with a profile of you. Completing this application is the first step in the process. Once you have turned in your application the connector will contact you via phone or email. Information on returning the form will be included in the application.

Contact

Once we have reviewed the application, we will contact you by phone or email. We will send additional questions specific to the area of your interest. If we determine that there is a good fit in any of the areas that we need volunteers, we will set-up a time for you to start apprenticing.

Apprenticeship

You will be paired with an experienced volunteer on Sunday morning or at Wednesday night rehearsals for hands-on training in a mentoring relationship. This provides you the opportunity to learn in a one-on-one environment, and allows us time to evaluate your progress. This period can take anywhere from one to six months depending on the position and the individual.

On Task

When you think you are ready—and when we think you are ready—you will be assigned to an area of the WAV Team. You will join the roster in regular rotation. At this point, we will ask you to sign the WAV Team Commitment Card and begin a one year commitment to our team.

Advanced Training

We are committed to sharpening our volunteer's skills and equipping them with the knowledge necessary to support the worship service. We do this periodically (depending on your position) through a classroom environment we call Advanced Training.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Team Commitment

The Sunday morning time commitment is from rehearsal at 7:00am through the final service. We begin our morning with a production meeting (breakfast served to all WAV volunteers) every Sunday at 7:00am. Service times are 9:00 and 11:00. Some positions, including audio and lighting, require set-up time during the week in addition to Sunday. The minimum we ask volunteers to serve is two Sundays in a row and then off for the following four consecutive Sundays. We run a year-long volunteer rotation and ask that volunteers commit to at least a year with the option of renewing your commitment every year if you wish to remain on the team.



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WAV TEAM AREAS

Audio

The Audio Team is responsible for the set-up, monitoring and adjustment of all auditorium audio equipment. Their role is to support the band, speaker and all on-stage personnel as they lead or communicate to the audience on Sunday morning. They focus on facilitating worship, communication, encouraging listening and removing distractions.

Video & Computer Graphics

The Video and CG team prepare and operate the equipment necessary to display live video and any graphics or characters that are needed to enhance the live video (i.e. worship lyrics, Bible verses, etc.). They focus on enhancing worship and the message, creating visual appeal, and supporting the communicator.

Lighting

The Lighting Team prepares and operates the equipment used to light both the stage and the auditorium on Sunday mornings. They focus on illuminating properly, creating atmosphere and focusing attention.

Stage

The Stage Team directs the flow of people and props from the back and the front of the stage. They also police traffic near the stage and manage the props behind the stage. They focus on creating the environment, enhancing visual communication, and supporting the communicator.

MISSION AND PHILOSOPHY



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Team Mission

The WAV Team mission is to strive for excellence in the technical arts to support Christ's impact on the next changed life.

Team Challenge

Ours is a team effort. Each individual and each application is designed to work together to create an environment. Different interests and different gifts move us in one direction toward one goal: to effectively deliver the message and create a great worship experience without distractions. Such a venture begins with a challenge: a challenge to our weaknesses, to our creativity, to our spiritual maturity and to our unity as a team.

Team Responsibility

As a team, we are charged with the awesome responsibility of fusing the message (the love of God), and the media (music, drama, video, etc.), to form an environment that encourages people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. As a WAV team member, your position—and how well you perform at that position—is critical to creating that environment: one that ministers to seekers and believers alike through a professional production.

Team Effort

The Sunday worship services are accomplished primarily by volunteers; they occupy 95% of the production roles needed on a Sunday morning. They serve God's ministry and his church using their gifts and talents in this environment. Our ministry controls all of the live production elements during the Sunday morning service (i.e. live video, lighting, audio, stage, etc.).