

**Benevolence Contribution**  
*Sunday, April 18*



# **Benevolence**

## **at Greenville Oaks**

**Your Contribution  
Serves our Community  
and Blesses our Church Family**



**GREENVILLE  
OAKS** CHURCH  
OF CHRIST

# The Benevolence Process



**Financial Need  
Recognized**



**Financial Assistance  
Requested**



**Application for Financial  
Assistance Submitted**



**Application Reviewed  
Face-to-Face**



**Recommendation Sent  
to the Benevolence Team**



**Benevolence Team's  
Decision is Carried Out**

# Timing is Everything

In the New Testament, “*kairos*” means “the appointed time in the purpose of God,” the time when God acts (e.g. Mark 1:15: the *kairos* is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand).

This has been a time like no other. Many are asking, “What in the world is God up to?” The past year has presented one challenge after another for all of us. As James tells us (*James 1:2*), we need to find the joy, even amid the struggle and discomfort.

With your generous contributions, the Benevolence Ministry provides financial assistance and one-on-one life coaching to families in our community, as well as Greenville Oaks members. We also connect people to other resources that may be beneficial. From June 2019 through April 2021, 263 families and individuals were provided assistance. Last year, due to the unprecedented circumstances, the Ministry Team decided to limit the usual support to our community partners, such as The Samaritan Inn, so that we would be able to have the resources to help more individuals and families with their financial needs.

**Your one-time contribution on April 18 will determine the level of assistance we will be able to provide this year.** In the past, your generosity has allowed the Benevolence Ministry Team to disburse approximately \$75,000 annually to help those in need.

We are expecting to continue to have elevated levels of requests over the next year. Be a blessing to those around you and allow God to be in control of the current situation (*kairos*) in our world. Your generosity to this ministry helps people find joy in their lives, no matter the situation.

# Words of Thanks

*“Thank you very much for helping us with our rent. Thank you for taking the time to speak with us - and just for the kindness everyone has shown us. We are incredibly grateful for everything. It means more than you will ever know.”*

**“Thank you for your labor of love.”**

**“Thank you and the church as a whole for helping me during my time of need. I couldn’t have made it through this time without you.”**

**“God bless you.”**

**263**

People helped from the community

**13**

People helped from Greenville Oaks

**1**

Community Partner Donation