

Upward Basketball is a total church ministry! We need everyone doing something for the ministry to be most successful! Help us reach the Hot Springs community and have fun doing it!



Check the box(es) to indicate your interest in volunteering this season. Provide us with your contact information. Return it to Wallace, Ashley or Blake Buttrum, or Julie Smith, or drop it by the church office as soon as possible. Thank you for your service! *We provide the training and resources necessary for you to be successful in your ministry position!*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (for automated texting): \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer Partner**

Will you partner with us through prayer as we seek God in every aspect of our Upward Basketball league? We are in need of those who will be committed to praying each day for our Upward Basketball season to change lives. We will provide a daily prayer guide.

**Time Commitment:** at least 5 minutes daily for 99 days

**Number required:** unlimited

**Advertising**

Help spread the word about our league! Use your voice, legs, and hands to spread the word in your neighborhood. You can use Social Media to help us reach the lost simply by forwarding, liking, and otherwise interacting with our posts, promotions, and pictures. Do you own a business or know of a place where we can distribute brochures in our community? Help us reach more children and families by making our league known to those in our community who would not hear about it at our church.

**Time Commitment:** varies

**Number required:** as many as will help

**Head Coach (Basketball)**

Impact the lives of children and have fun while you volunteer as a head coach! Use your talents to teach sport fundamentals as well as the value of sportsmanship, teamwork, integrity and respect for authority. New to coaching? Don't worry, Upward Sports will provide you with all the resources necessary to teach the sport, share life lessons and coach your team.

**Time Commitment:** 2-3 hours a week (1 hour per week for 2 weeks for practice; 3 hours per week for 6 weeks for practices, games, and connecting)

**Number required:** typically 20-24

**Assistant Coach (Basketball)**

Make a difference in the lives of children by helping the head coach teach both athletic skills and values for success on and off the court. Use this time to see if you might want to be a head coach in the future.

**Time Commitment:** 2-3 hours a week (1 hour per week for 2 weeks for practice; 3 hours per week for 6 weeks for practices, games, and connecting)

**Number required:** typically 24-28

**Devotional Coach (Basketball)**

Want to help but don't know anything about basketball? Make a difference in the lives of children by sharing the weekly devotional with the players at practice each week. Upward Sports provides the devotionals for each week.

**Time Commitment:** 2-3 hours a week (1 hour per week for 2 weeks for practice; 3 hours per week for 6 weeks for practices, games, and connecting)

**Number required:** typically 4-6

**Evaluations Helpers**

The first impression that a child/family has of their Upward Sports season is at evaluations. Help us make sure it is the most exciting and welcoming experience possible for them. Manage a station (administration, uniform sizing, height measurements, skills and drills, finance) to help register players.

**Time Commitment:** 2-3 hours on Thu, Oct 26 and/or Sat, Oct 28 and/or 2-3-4 hours on Sat, Nov 4

**Number required:** 35

**Audio/Video Partners**

Have a passion and gift for taking pictures and/or shooting video? Work with a team to record the activities of our season from start to finish, using photography and videography.

**Time Commitment:** varies

**Number required:** 4-6

**Scholarship Providers**

Maybe you are one who wants to do more than pray but you are not available for the other helper positions. Has God blessed you in a way that you can provide partial or full scholarships to allow players and their families to hear the gospel throughout the season? We have families who need this type of help every year.

**Number required:** ?

**Referee**

Did you play basketball growing up or have a great understanding of the rules of the game? If so, use this gift to make an impact in the lives of children as an Upward Sports referee.

**Time Commitment:** 1-3 hours a week for 6 weeks (Saturdays)

**Number required:** typically 12-16

**Greeter**

Show us your smile! We need you to be a greeter at Upward games. Yes, by merely making yourself available to welcome players, coaches, parents and other fans to our games, you can show the love of Christ and make a positive connection with First Baptist Church. You can even join them in the stands to make them feel welcome.

**Time Commitment:** 1 hour a week (Saturdays)

**Number required:** typically around 70 throughout the season

**Game Day Helper**

Assist in game day operations by keeping track of fouls, maintaining the possession arrow, setting up the player tunnel, and/or serving in the concession stand. Game Day Helpers assist the directors in running a professional game atmosphere, providing a competitive nature for the games, and making the families' overall Upward experience an enjoyable one.

**Time Commitment:** 1-4 hours a week (Saturdays)

**Number required:** typically around 25

**Follow Up**

Have a passion for writing notes, making phone calls or visiting with others? Help our league by using those gifts. By volunteering in this way, you will be able to minister to those individuals who have expressed a faith-related response anytime during your Upward Sports season.

**Time Commitment:** We pray this is an on-going job throughout our season

**Number required:** as many as will help