

A Day Of Service in New Martinsville, WV — Saturday, August 9

Join us Saturday, Aug. 9, in New Martinsville, W.Va., as volunteers from across the region come together to share the love of Christ through acts of service. In partnership with the Upper Ohio Valley Baptist Association, the West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists is offering you and your team a chance to make a lasting gospel impact. Come be the hands and feet of Jesus as we serve this community with love and compassion—register now to save your spot!

1. ENCOURAGEMENT & BLESSING AT NEW MARTINSVILLE HEALTH AND REHABILITATION CENTER

Location: 225 Russell Ave., New Martinsville, WV 26155

Volunteers will have a special opportunity to encourage and bless both the residents and staff of the New Martinsville Health and Rehabilitation Center. With approximately 100 residents, our goal is to share the love of Christ by visiting each one personally. Working in pairs, volunteers will go room to room offering a small gift, a handwritten card, and time in prayer. Staff members will also be honored with gift baskets filled with candy and drinks as a token of appreciation for their care and dedication. This is a meaningful outreach for individuals and families who feel called to minister through presence, prayer, and compassion.

- Minimum participants: 8
- Maximum participants: 20
- Minimum age: None – all ages welcome

2. PRAYER WALKING IN NEW MARTINSVILLE

New Martinsville is a scenic city and the county seat of Wetzel County, West Virginia, located along the Ohio River. As part of Serve Day, volunteers will walk throughout the city, praying for the residents, workers and community. The goal is to engage with those we encounter—praying for their needs, offering encouragement and sharing materials that connect them to the local church and, most importantly, to Christ. Volunteers are expected to initiate conversations, offer prayer and take opportunities to bless others spiritually. As the Lord leads, they will also be encouraged to share the gospel and offer a Bible to anyone in need. This outreach is a meaningful opportunity to intercede for the community, demonstrate Christ's love, and plant seeds of faith in everyday encounters.

- Minimum participants: 4
- Maximum participants: 12
- Minimum age: 13 years

3. GRILL WALK AROUND NEW MARTINSVILLE

To help meet a physical need while pointing to a deeper spiritual one, we will offer free meals of hamburgers and chips to residents of New Martinsville. Our team will travel through a mobile home park, an apartment complex and possibly additional locations, offering meals to anyone willing to receive one. Volunteers will knock on doors, deliver meals or invite neighbors to join us at the BBQ site. Most importantly, this outreach is a chance to engage in gospel-centered conversations and share the love of Christ through both word and action.

- Minimum participants: 6
- Maximum participants: 20
- Minimum age: None – all ages welcome

4. PARK BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

Volunteers will have the opportunity to show the love of Jesus by partnering with the City of New Martinsville Parks and Recreation Department to help beautify a local park. Projects may include landscaping, minor tree trimming, mulching, planting flowers and painting—hands-on work that leaves a visible and lasting impact. This is a great chance for individuals and families of all ages to serve together and bless the city in a practical way.

- Minimum participants: 4
- Maximum participants: 12
- Minimum age: None – all ages welcome

5. RAMP BUILD PROJECT

We will show our love and support for a cherished senior member of Immanuel Baptist Church by building a handicap-accessible ramp off her front porch, removing a set of steps from the back porch and clearing debris from her yard. This project will help restore her freedom to attend daily activities and medical appointments with ease and safety.

- Minimum participants: 4
- Maximum participants: 8
- Minimum age: 18 years

6. I WILL SERVE ANYWHERE

Not sure where to serve but ready to help? Sign up for *I Will Serve Anywhere*, and we'll place you where you're needed most. Your flexibility makes a big difference!