

At CTK, we value authenticity, simplicity, empowerment, relationship, and caring about the community we live in. One key way we serve is by empowering small groups to make a difference through our local partners who address important issues for those in the hardest life circumstances. The opportunity below is a chance to tangibly demonstrate God's care, compassion, and love for those around us. As your church, we hope this makes it easy for you to put the Great Commandment to love your neighbor as yourself into action!

#### **ENGEDI INTERCESSION NIGHT**

#### Who are we serving?

Engedi Refuge helps women who have been exploited sexually, including prostitution, to heal from emotional trauma and social rejection. We serve them by treating them with dignity and compassion. We demonstrate the love of Christ as we teach them practical ways to overcome challenges and embrace healthy living.

## Who is helping connect us to their needs?

Engedi Refuge provides both safe housing for ladies coming from often very dangerous sex trafficking situations, and a comprehensive program that helps them heal and restore their lives so they are prepared for healthy and successful living. Engedi's program requires them to be at the Learning/Counseling Center for 30 plus hours per week. This location is on the Guide, just South of Lynden. Our residents come here every week day for classroom instruction, group discussions, clinical counseling, and therapeutic activities. The Learning Center is designed to be a place of safety, peace, reflection, and inspirational education. Our residents need God's intervention in their story and lots of prayer and encouragement to face very difficult internal struggles like addiction, depression, hopelessness, and shame.

### How are we serving?

We need your team to PRAY! Take the time you would normally meet for small group or Bible study and pray specifically for the Engedi residents. We can provide specific needs without revealing their names (keeping their identities confidential is extremely important in this ministry). As you pray, ask God to speak to you words of encouragement or scriptures that you can right down in a card and give to our residents. Perhaps the team could give a potted flower arrangement or something along with the card full of prayers, encouragements and scriptures which we can present to them at the safe-house. You can pray in your home or come to the Engedi Learning center and do a prayer walk around the property. Sometimes you get a greater sense of what God is doing when you're here.

# Who do you contact to commit to this opportunity and work out the details?

Contact Carma Roetcisoender, Executive Assistant at Engedi.carma@gmail.com or (360) 922-7600 to get the list of prayer requests and to set up a time to be there and pray and/or drop off your encouragement, in whatever form it takes.

If you need help in the process, Wendy at CTK is available (wendyp@ctk.church or 733-1337 ext 212 Please share your project with us by using the hashtag #CTKserves on social media!