

## Our Mission

To equip people in the name of Christ to serve inner-city children through intentional relationships

## Our Vision

For believers to serve Jesus Christ by investing their lives in children living in poverty in Central Arkansas. These believers will grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ as they engage in the lives of children. The children will be influenced by their mentors to strengthen their faith, establish traditional family values, and create hope for the future living a life that honors God.

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*Encouragers*

**COME...  
SERVE...  
GROW!!!**

## Serving to equip people...

STEP Ministries was founded in 1986. Since that time, we have striven to live out our name by "**Serving To Equip People.**" More specifically, we hope to have equipped the Body of Jesus to build one-on-one relationships with children in poverty in Central Arkansas. Everything we do at STEP is one-on-one. This might not be the most efficient way to produce eye-popping numbers, but our experience over the past thirty plus years has taught us that it is the the only way to have the depth of impact we think Jesus desires to see in the lives of our volunteers and students.

**Come... Serve... Grow!!!**

## Encouragers

### Purpose

The purpose of the Encourager program is for followers of Jesus to develop a one-on-one, adult to student, friendship with a child. Through this relationship, we hope to motivate the student to consistently show improvement in attitude, self-confidence, behavior and, although the program is not necessarily academically driven, academics.

### How It Works

Encouragers commit to meeting once a week from October through April at their selected school on the designated day and time. Teachers select students in need and identify an area of focus. With the guidance of a Facilitator, the Encouragers spend thirty minutes with each child, working with teacher-provided classroom materials.

Encouragers are also trained to be a non-judgmental friend who looks to build on positives. We believe a one-on-one relationship with a caring adult can and will make a positive difference in the life of an under-resourced child.



Think the Encouragers program might be right for you? Let us know a little bit about yourself!

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