

A COMMUNITY OF FAITH ...

AND SERVING OTHERS



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Groups adding to the community's religious diversity include congregations of Latter-day Saints, Ba'hai, Buddhists, Hindus and Muslims. Chattanooga also sustains several other large congregations unaffiliated with any denomination.

Chattanooga organizations of faith offer many opportunities to volunteer, and many churches in Chattanooga have dedicated themselves to serving the community through ministry. Every year, approximately 125,000 people volunteer their time to serve in Chattanooga, making an estimated annual economic contribution of \$373 million. Chattanooga also has a wealth of effective and efficient faith-based non-profit ministries that partner with individuals, families, organizations, churches and corporations to support the health and well-being of the city.

Faith is an integral part of the life and culture of Tennessee. According to a recent poll, as much as 72 percent of Tennesseans say faith is very important in their lives. Chattanooga alone is home to approximately a thousand churches, making it easy to find a neighborhood with a local house of worship. Today, the Chattanooga area is home to congregations representing every major faith.

Protestant denominations include Lutheran, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist groups. In addition, Chattanooga is home to many Roman Catholic churches, and Jewish life flourishes in the city with synagogues representing orthodox, conservative and reformed traditions. Nearby, Cleveland and Collegedale offer many Church of God and Seventh-day Adventist congregations.

DID YOU KNOW?

After deadly tornadoes hit Chattanooga in 2011, houses of worship — spanning all faiths and denominations — provided disaster relief for area communities.



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