

MISSION OF THE MONTH for MARCH 2018

Four Season's Hospice & Palliative Care - ELIZABETH HOUSE

Four Season's Hospice & Palliative Care (Elizabeth House) is a Hospice Care Provider in Hendersonville. Hospice Care is prescribed for critically ill individuals with a life expectancy of six months or less. Their primary goal is keeping patients as comfortable as possible throughout the end-stages of life. The palliative care is to provide a multi-discipline approach to specialized medical and nursing care for people with life-limiting illness. It focuses on providing relief from pain, physical stress, mental stress for the persons with a terminal diagnosis. They provide medication and treatment therapy without curative intent when no cure can be expected. Donations to the "Angel Fund" go directly to Elizabeth House which covers the cost of caring for individuals with no other method of payment. No one with an end-of-life stage will ever be turned away.

We have had some family members of our congregation receive this great benefit from Elizabeth House. Elizabeth House provides care for the patient and support for the family.

Contact information: 571 S. Allen Road, Hendersonville, NC (828) 233-0330

Patient & Family Support Volunteer Opportunities

Caregiver Respite in Home Care Setting

- Visit with patients on a scheduled basis for companionship and emotional support.
- Provide respite for caregivers to make appointments, staying with patients in the home. Shifts are up to three-hours, once a week.

Nursing Homes & Assisted Living Facilities

- Visit assigned patient(s) on a weekly basis.
- Provide socialization and supportive presence for patients residing in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities.

Elizabeth House

- Perform tasks to ensure comfort and care in a homelike environment.
- Provide emotional support, companionship, and assistance to patients as appropriate.
- Distribute meals, help stock linen closets, and keep common areas tidy.
- Assist staff in answering patient call bells and visitor questions as needed.

Transportation & Errands

- Run errands for an assigned patient on an as-needed basis.
- Transport assigned patient to medical appointments, shopping, etc. (Must meet minimum requirements for auto liability coverage.)

Pet Therapy

- Visit assigned patients in facilities.
- Visit patients at Elizabeth House.
- Pet therapy animals must be trained, registered and insured.

Hair Stylists

- Visit patients in home care settings and providing haircuts on an as-needed basis.
- All Hair Stylist Volunteers must have appropriate licensure/certification as required by North Carolina state law.

Bereavement Client Care

- Make monthly check-in phone calls to bereavement clients.
- Visit bereaved clients to provide emotional support and social interaction.

We Honor Veterans

- Connect veteran patients with veteran volunteers.
- Assist in honoring our veteran patients with a Pinning Ceremony.

