

## Epworth's Local Church Representatives

# LCR Role: Be the Face & Voice



As the Epworth LCR for your congregation you are the face and voice of our children to those in your community. The role of an LCR can be broken down into:

**Ambassador:** As an LCR you serve as an ambassador for our children. Children who have been abused or neglected are among the most voiceless in our community. You can help give them a face and a voice in your faith community by telling their story.

**Liaison:** As an LCR you help to connect your faith community to the ministry Epworth provides. Not all of our church members know about or understand the necessary and life changing ministry provided to children by Epworth. You can help connect the church and your pastor to the ministry by sharing information on a regular basis.

**Encourager:** As an LCR you will have the opportunity to hear and see first hand the ministry provided to children. You can assist Epworth in their ability to continue to provide exceptional care for our children by encouraging those in your community to contribute to Epworth through their time and treasures.

## What do being the FACE and VOICE look and sound like?

- **E-Mail Newsletter:** Each month Epworth sends an e-mail newsletter update to our supporters. The information in the newsletters may be shared with congregations during worship, Sunday school, or even printed in your bulletin or newsletter.
- **Mother's Day & Work Day Appeals:** Each year Epworth has provided two opportunities for church members to financially support our ministry. Mother's Day and the second Sunday in September (Work Day) are designated as Epworth Sundays. Because Epworth is not an apportioned item by the conference, these offerings represent a significant portion of our annual budget.
  - Epworth will e-mail information about each offering to your church office two months prior to the offering. Please check in with your pastor and church secretary to ensure your offering materials have been ordered and are distributed to the congregation. You can assist the office by calling Epworth directly to order materials after checking to see if they have been ordered. All materials are free. There is no cost to the church.
  - We will also send "Ministry Moments" that can be shared by you or your pastor during the announcements on the two Sundays prior to the offering date.
  - Encourage your congregation to be a "Sustaining Congregation" by giving at a minimum of \$6.00 per member each year.
- **Speakers Bureau:** Epworth receives numerous calls from local churches and businesses requesting to have someone come and speak about the ministry. If you are interested in serving on our speakers bureau it will assist us in helping spread the word to those churches who do not have an active LCR.
- **Tours:** Schedule a group or individual tour for yourself or your church by completing our [Tour Request Form](#) or by contacting Sherri Mims at [smims@epworthsc.org](mailto:smims@epworthsc.org) or 803-256-7394. Another option is that you may also join us for Sunday worship at 11:00 AM followed by lunch and a tour of Epworth.