

## Mission Spotlight: Family Promise North Fulton/DeKalb

Since its inception 8 years ago, APC has participated as a founding host church for Family Promise, a national organization that houses individuals experiencing homelessness, “One Family at a Time.” [Family Promise North Fulton/Dekalb](#) is comprised of 12-13 churches that host families 3-4 times a year on a rotational basis. During our host weeks we provide shelter, meals, social connection, and overnight volunteers, with volunteer and meal support from the congregations of St. James UMC, St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, and Centro Familiar Cristiano. After their stay with us, the families move to the next congregation.

Yvonne Chrimes has been APC’s Family Promise coordinator for several years. She says that “APC values playing a vital role in the community, which is one reason I love APC.” APC’s involvement with Family Promise is one way that we serve our community.

APC’s next Family Promise host week is coming up May 3-9, 2020. During the pandemic, our three families are being hosted for the next several weeks by St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church in Dunwoody. While we will not be physically hosting at APC, we have been asked to provide overnight volunteers (ages 18 – 50) from 8pm -7am during our host week at St. Luke’s. Accommodations for volunteers are in a separate wing away from the families, with no interaction with families. Overnight hosts bring their own bedding and pillow as usual and WiFi is available. [More information about being an overnight host at St. Luke’s can be found here](#). We still need a couple more overnight volunteers for next week and you can sign up using [this signup genius](#).

APC’s involvement with Family Promise depends on our members serving as volunteers and coordinating our host weeks. Without volunteers, we are unable to continue our role as a host church.

Looking ahead, our next host weeks are scheduled for September 20-27, 2020 and November 8-15, 2020. And, after several years of service, Yvonne Chrimes is stepping down from her role as APC’s Family Promise coordinator which means we are in need of someone to serve as co-coordinator with Shannon Pickerel. Yvonne and Shannon have worked closely and shared responsibilities over the last two years. Yvonne is looking forward to sharing her wisdom and experience before passing on the torch to Shannon and the next co-coordinator. That person could be YOU! We would like to know who the next co-coordinator will be by July 1 so that we can have a smooth transition before our host week in September. You can contact Yvonne Chrimes for more information, [yvonne.chrimes@gmail.com](mailto:yvonne.chrimes@gmail.com).