

ELAM Baptist Church

ELAM Safety Security Team (ESST)

The ESST team for ELAM Baptist Church was created in May 2018 in response to the unfortunate situations that have occurred and continue to occur in houses of worship. We at ELAM pray we never encounter any type of these security issues but in case we do we want to be prepared and know how to handle the situation. Our team is also there to provide assistance in case of any type of emergency that may occur while on the church property. It is important that all our members and visitors can come to ELAM and feel safe and secure when worshipping or participating in church activities.

Some of the responsibilities and duties of our ESST members are to be able to administer First Aid, CPR, AED use, as well as child protection procedures. Know church policies and procedures, be able to identify hazards and implementing protective actions, emergency response procedures, and evacuation, shelter, and accountability procedures. Be familiar with proper notification, warning, and communication procedures.

The ESST team is always interested in capable individuals to become part of the team. Listed below are the qualifications. If you are interested please contact the church office and leave your name and number with our church secretary. She will give your information to the team's chairperson and they will contact you as soon as possible to discuss your interest in joining the team.

QUALIFICATIONS:

To serve as an ESST member:

- Be a church members of Elam Baptist Church or another Baptist church.
- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Must be a mature Christian.
- An ESST member must be “above reproach, faithful to his [or her] spouse, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, [and] able to teach” (1 Timothy 3:2).
- Physically able to perform typical duties like walking for extended distances, and standing for long periods of time.
- Ability to remain calm in the event of an emergency. Must be able to communicate clearly to other team members, authorities and/or the congregation should the need arise.
- ESST members should remember they are not the police but a volunteer of the ELAM Safety/Security Team.