

## Hanawon Ministry: Statements, Guidelines, Rules

Hanawon is a government-run facility designed to help North Korean refugees to transitioning into South Korean society. Due to GEM's longstanding relationship with Hanawon, we are allowed to enter as English instructors. While our main role is to be teachers, we use the classroom as an environment for relationships to develop naturally.

### Hanawon Schedule

- ◆ Prayer meeting: 6pm-7pm every fourth Tuesday on the 7th floor of MD Plaza
- ◆ Serving on Tuesday: 7-8pm, meet at MD Plaza 1st floor at 5:30pm to drive to center – come back around 9:15pm
- ◆ Serving on Sunday: 1-3pm, meet at MD Plaza 1st floor at 11:30am to drive to the center – come back around 4:00pm.
  - \* Volunteers must reply to the update email to confirm their attendance prior to serving each week.

### Requirements for New Volunteers

- ◇ Must be active members of the GEM community for at least 2 months prior to participating
- ◇ Must come to the monthly prayer meeting or quarterly training.
  - Anyone who is returning to GEM after a long absence should also be an active member at GEM for at least two months and attend the monthly prayer meeting.

### Rules

- ◇ Do not explicitly share the gospel or about faith in our English class.
  - \* We are allowed to end each class with a prayer to bless the sisters.
- ◇ Do not write down the sisters' personal names or info during the English class.
- ◇ Do not ask for prayer requests during the English class.
  - \* If a sister volunteers her name, info, or prayer request, then it is ok for us to dialogue or respond.
- ◇ Do not discuss GEM ministries with the sisters at Hanawon.
- ◇ Under no circumstances can anyone form any kind of dating relationship with any of the women!
- ◇ Do not give specific/direct advice to the sisters.

### Guidelines

- ◇ Our actions reflect directly on our church. Be mindful of your interactions with the refugees!
- ◇ Please be sensitive and respectful around the women, many of whom may be experiencing PTSD and are not comfortable with close contact.
- ◇ Please keep in mind that we are going to the Hanawon as encouragers and ultimately to show Christ's love through serving our sisters.
- ◇ We encourage everyone to make a commitment you can keep: whether it means coming once a month to the prayer meeting, etc. We want to be intentional about developing as a ministry team.

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