

The HOMES of ETHNOS360

Serving Those Who Have Served

Summer 2026



Craig and Cheryl Cassel arrived in January to strengthen the Latham Center kitchen team. After six months of serving at The Homes, they shared this update about their ministry:

Six months! Wow! Some days it feels like we just arrived, and other days it feels like we've been here much longer. Either way, we truly enjoy being part of this team.

Our primary ministry has been in the kitchen. It's the team we work most closely with, and the residents at the Latham Center are the people we interact with the most each day. Serving in the kitchen has been a significant learning experience for us. Throughout our years with Ethnos360, much of our ministry focused on training the next generation of missionaries. Here, however, we've had the privilege of serving men and women who have faithfully gone before us, opened new works in difficult places and witnessed God do the impossible.

Their stories are inspiring, faith-building and a powerful testimony to God's faithfulness. When we're not prepping meals, serving or cleaning up, you'll often find us sitting with a resident, listening to those stories. It has been an incredibly rewarding ministry.

This has also been the most physically demanding ministry we've been involved in. The days are long, but the blessings are abundant. We're deeply grateful for this season and feel so blessed to be serving here right now.

Pray for Craig, Cheryl and the entire kitchen team as they minister to the residents of the Latham Center. Please ask the Lord to grant them good health, strength for their daily responsibilities and wisdom as they prepare meals and serve those in their care.

In His grace,
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