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“Gentle Nudges & Swift Kicks”

By a Serve Wenatchee Valley Volunteer

God speaks to His children in a variety of ways. In Debbie Macomber’s book, One Simple Act: Discovering the Power of Generosity, she tells of His gently “nudges” that lead her to act on the gifts of generosity that He puts upon her heart. It is in these acts of generosity that may lead others to God.



I believe Serve Wenatchee Valley is vital to our community. They are able to help those most in need and give the good news about our loving Father at the same time. What better way to lead people to God than to share His generosity and goodness?

My family got involved with SWV a few years ago. Knowing the items we donate can and do make a difference in someone’s life - possibly leading them to accept Jesus as their Saviour!! - what a rewarding experience! As 2 Cor. 9:12 says: “This service you do not only helps the needs of God’s people, it also brings many more thanks to God.”

The SWV newsletter often lists things most needed, which we try to donate when we can. There have been many times I have gotten gentle “nudges” to go to a certain store and buy something not on the list. Too many times to be a coincidence, after I’ve delivered these items to SWV, Kathy, April, or someone on the SWV team has told me how someone has come in later that same day or the next in need of that exact item!! Good thing I listened to that gentle “nudge.”

Do I always pay attention to those gently “nudges?” Not always. And it’s at those times I get that swift “kick,” telling me to ACT NOW! One swift “Kick” came as I was madly racing around trying to get everything done and ready to leave town on vacation the next day... “Really, God?...Right now?!” I grumbled. I responded to that not-so-gentle nudge, did the shopping of items God had placed upon my heart, and took the items to SWV.

I still managed to complete my family’s to-do list and we made it on our vacation. Later, I’d heard how those items had come into immediate need. Imagine - my minor inconvenience one day might possibly have made the difference of life (in Christ) or death for someone!

So, next time you feel God put something on your heart, whether it’s a gentle nudge or swift kick, ask “How can I help further your Kingdom, God?” You will be blessed!





Clearinghouse Update March 2011

During the month of March we had the pleasure of ministering to **481** people through our Clearinghouse Ministry.

Total volunteer hours for
March 2011
450



WE APPRECIATE YOU! Your time in volunteering is invaluable.

Spring is here...



In the midst of your spring cleaning please keep in mind we are collecting clothing for our Back To School Clothing Giveaway. Help the children in our community by donating gently used clothing in good condition for this annual event. Clothing can be dropped off at our office.

We expecting over 1000 children once again this year!



Don't Forget Our Non-Food Pantry



We are in need of the following items:



Laundry Soap

Dish Soap

Bar Soap

Toilet Paper

Shampoo

Diapers sizes 4 & 5



What better way to show God's love than feeding the hungry by donating food and non-food items, or furniture, baby furnishings, musical instruments and bicycles.

Your support inspires, uplifts,
blesses and encourages us and others.

For more information, please call 663-4673 (ONE-HOPE)