Volunteer Spotlight



Rene Massey
Hands for God Ministry

Rene is retired and widowed and enjoys working with the Hands for God (HFG) Ministry at our church. Renee says it gives her purpose to share what she enjoys doing, and especially to give blankets to a person who may need to know that someone who doesn't even know their name, cares for them.

Renee especially likes to make baby blankets for our church baptisms and the Down's syndrome ministry. Renee shared that she always gets excited when someone donates yarn they don't need to the ministry since we have many talented ladies that can put it to good use.

We asked Renee:

"In what ways do you serve at the church?"

"I am a member of HFG and make items to be donated to those who have need of them."

"Why is it important for you to give of your gifts and talents?"

"It gives me a purpose and opportunity to share what I love doing with others."

"Tell us about a time that was especially meaningful for you working at the church"

"The times that we take items to Goshen Valley Boys Ranch and the men at Highland River and see their faces and have an opportunity to interact with them...it makes me feel like I am doing something that makes their day a little brighter and in doing this it makes mine brighter too.

"What have you learned about yourself and/or about others through volunteering at our church?"

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"I used to do craft fairs when I was younger and sold my items to make a little extra money for Christmas for my children. Now I get so much pleasure by donating my blankets, that I can't imagine I would ever want to do craft fairs again. There is just something about giving them away that means a lot to me."

"If you could encourage someone else to serve, what would you say?"

"You get so much more than you give by "donating" your time and efforts to a worthy cause."

Rene's Favorite Scripture | Philippians 4:13: *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*