

November 1, 2022

ST John'S Lutheran Church 15538 State Route 127 Nashville IL 62263-2374

Dear ST John'S Lutheran Church,

Isn't it amazing how God puts us in the right place at the right time to do His ministry?

That is just what happened as two LBW volunteers traveled to a convention. After driving for a few hours, they stopped at a visitor center to stretch their legs. While looking around, the center supervisor, Laura, asked if she could help them find anything. One of the LBW volunteers explained the reason they stopped and where they were headed. The supervisor's reply is an awesome testament to God's love!

Laura quietly said she was born with a severe visual impairment, and she had to learn to read Braille as a child. Doctors were able to restore some of her sight at the time, so she has been able to read regular print with difficulty. Almost in tears, she explained it is becoming more difficult to read the Bible because she is once again losing her sight. Soon she will have to learn to read Braille again. The volunteers told Laura about all the materials available through LBW and then went to their vehicle to get information to share with Laura and two other members of her staff. They also brought Laura a volume of Psalms in Specialized Large Print.

As Laura opened the book of Psalms, her face lit up and she exclaimed, "I can see the words, and Psalms is my absolute favorite book of the Bible!" She then asked, "How much do I need to pay you for this book?" Laura was told the book was free because of generous donors and all volunteers across the country who joyfully produce the materials. Laura and her staff were astonished. Laura's beaming smile and overwhelming thankfulness could not be suppressed! Then one of the other staff members, fighting back her own tears, shyly asked if she would be able to place an order due to Macular Degeneration making it increasingly difficult to read her Bible. But, the story doesn't stop there! Amazingly, the volunteers never intended to stop at this visitor center, while Laura mentioned she was already off work for the day and wasn't even supposed to be present at that exact time. God was clearly in control!

Approaching this upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, all recipients, such as Laura and her team, have asked that we share their enthusiastic appreciation and thanks to

all of you, the people who give so diligently through prayer, donations, and volunteer hours! Laura, like so many others, now has the Book of Psalms in a format she can see and read in order to help express her thanks to God. As the Psalmist exclaims in Psalm 111:1, "I will thank the Lord with all my heart as I meet with His godly people."

This Thanksgiving, will you make a donation and continue to share these words of joy and thanksgiving with people who are Blind? Will you entrust the Holy Spirit to work through your gifts to ensure individuals-- who are afraid of being disconnected from knowing the love of God-- find the hope found in the Salvation of Christ?

We wish everyone a blessed Thanksgiving. We too "thank the Lord with all our heart," for all of you, His love, and especially His mercy!

In His Service,

**Daniel Jenkins** 

Interim President and VP of Ministry Advancement

P.S. In thanksgiving to God for all His mercy and goodness, will you please make a gift today so Laura and her staff are joined by thousands of other individuals around the world in knowing the love of God through Braille and Specialized Large Print Bibles? Your loving and selfless gift will provide overwhelming happiness and exclamations of thankfulness to God in the hearts of many!!

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Will you kindly donate today so that thousands of people all around the world can join Laura and her colleagues in knowing the love of God through Braille and Large Print Bibles?

Please consider making a gift through your Thrivent Choice Dollars, Thrivent Action Teams, Qualified Chartiable Distributions of an IRA, stocks, or any other mechanisim which will help bring Bibles to the hands of somebody wanting to know the love of Christ!





"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace..."