

Thank You!

Dear servant at Grace:

We did it! Holding our Mission and Ministry Fair was a great accomplishment! Our setup was very impressive. "Wow" and other responses were heard as people entered the doors of the gym/CAC and surveyed the 37 ministry opportunities that Grace has to offer.

A fascinating remark came from a long time member of Grace who said, "It has always been such a pleasure to volunteer with other members here at Grace. It has been so fulfilling and Grace has so many wonderful people." And that servant heart volunteering will continue, as I am estimating about 100 new people signed the various sheets to volunteer in our ministries.

Indeed, hundreds of our members did come down after the services. I hope that you had a good response as our members, old and new, explored or discovered what your ministry was about. **Thank you for your hard work and dedicated service as you set up your booth and had people present during those times. Thank you for your participation.**

Now comes the next step. **Follow-up! Follow-up! Follow-up!** An exciting event like the Mission and Ministry Fair is designed for:

- expanding the reach of our ministries, which happens by...
- enlarging the size of your team, which happens by...
- energizing our people to serve!

You are strongly encouraged to now **follow-up** with those individuals who showed an interest in your area of ministry. Perhaps they signed their name to a form or maybe you spoke with them about how they can become involved. You may have attracted some new volunteers, but carefully planned follow-up will enfold them into your ministry. Don't let anyone fall through the cracks! As any additional names surface in the church office, we will certainly pass those names along to you also. The reason many people don't serve is because they are not invited or prepared to serve. Personal contact with those who are thinking about serving can make all the difference in the world. Make sure to follow-up by phone, personally or with a letter, with anyone who expressed any interest.

As you continue leading your Grace ministry, we ask God to expand our church's impact through our ministries. We pray that God would send more workers into the harvest at Grace. **Thank you again for your involvement in the Mission and Ministry Fair. We pray that our members will continue to serve and join with us in ministry**

Serving Him together,

Deaconess Marlene Anderson