

Dear CNCA Trusted Servants,

I have heard once before that November is the Gratitude month and I would like you to know how transforming this experience has been for me in my life, especially in my sobriety. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for allowing me to be of service. This has been a great opportunity that has given me a lot of rewards as a result of making myself available. One of my service sponsors told me once that if I take care of Gods work he will take care of mine. I could mention a lot of gifts my higher power has given me, but I will only share a few. I have experienced that by serving my Area I have served myself. I have received many things these past years that I know if it wasn't for this I would not have today. I feel closer to my family, to my fellow members, to my friends, to my co-workers, and to the people that I am usually surrounded by. I have this feeling of gratitude which I love sharing with others. I was allowed to see people coming to our meetings for the first time and watch a new sensation of hope grow within them. They keep coming back making themselves available for service because they found the solution they have been searching for. I have traveled to places that I had never been before and met a lot of wonderful people. Something that I have witnessed is a solution to some of my economic problems as well as my interpersonal relationships. This program has reached out to people which I truly care about without me interfering. I have proven once again what the people that welcomed me in the rooms of Alcoholics Anonymous once showed me that service is the legacy of gratitude. Just as they did everything they could for me I have the need to do it for all of those individuals that are out there suffering. Also I would like to thank you all for your contributions because for the past 10 years CNCA 06 has been the highest contributor except for 2007 and 2008 That we were second place because Area 15 South Florida was first. Please thank your groups let them know how much we appreciate their efforts. It is by your contributions that we are able to full field our needs and continue carrying the message.

No satisfaction has been deeper and no joy greater than in a Twelfth Step job well done. To watch the eyes of men and women open with wonder as they move from darkness into light, to see their lives quickly fill with new purpose and meaning, and above all to watch them awaken to the presence of a loving God in their lives these things are the substance of what we receive as we carry A.A.'s message.

1. LETTER, 1959

2. TWELVE AND TWELVE, P. 110 (As Bill sees it Page 29)

I try to hold fast to the truth that a full and thankful heart cannot entertain great conceits. When brimming with gratitude, one's heartbeat must surely result in outgoing love, the finest emotion that we can ever know.

GRAPEVINE, MARCH 1962 (As Bill sees it Page 37)

With Spirit of Love in Service
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