



From Where I Sit . . .

“And Be Ye Thankful”

We are surrounded by many wonderful people at Broad Street Church of Christ. I’m amazed by some new discovery basically every day of things that our church family are doing without recognition, and without public awareness of it. I truly believe that every aspect of the Gospel is in one way or another manifested in the personal lives of Christians here as they respond to that Gospel.

It would absolutely shock most of us if we had a way of learning how many cards are mailed each week by members here with thoughtful expressions on them; how many personal contacts are made to check on widows and widowers, shut-ins, the sick, the discouraged and faint-hearted, the unsaved.

Additionally, the church responds every time a need is placed before them, whether it’s food drives and clothing drives, hurricane disaster relief, special missions requests that go beyond an amount we have budgeted, individual sponsorship of foreign students for education, and/or clothing, food needs. Our most recent request was for help with needy families who will be attending the Lads and Leaderettes Convention in Nashville this weekend. I am thrilled to report that beyond the sizeable amount our Elders include in the budget annually for this program, members donated an additional \$3540 to help lighten the burden for many who could not attend convention otherwise.

I want to share with you this anonymous letter I received just this week to add to my personal “Thank-You”:

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“Dear Brothers and Sister at Broad Street,

First of all, let me start by saying I think that the Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes Convention is a great service to our youth. I deeply appreciate all the men and women who work with the youth to get it going and keep it going every years.

Second, I’d like to thank each person for their donations to fund the trip every year. I am a parent of some of the youth who have greatly benefitted from your donations in the past years and this year also. I’d just like for you to know how our family (and I’m sure many others) has been blessed enough to allow our children to be able to go on this trip through the scholarship program. If it hadn’t been for you all being so generous, I feel that our children wouldn’t have been able to go at all.

*Again, Thank you ALL so much and may God Bless You,
A Loving Parent”*

We will be celebrating with our boys and girls when we return from Nashville at a Banquet and Awards Ceremony where we will acknowledge their individual achievements in the Lads program during the past 12 months. Members of Broad Street and close relatives from the community are invited to join us on April 29, Saturday evening. There will be a sign up sheet for the banquet so we can know how many to fix for.

. . . . Terry Broome