

YOU ARE CALLED TO S.E.R.V.E.

NNBC's goal is not simply to recruit volunteers, but to help every person discover how God has uniquely gifted and called them to serve as a step in discipleship growth.

S SPIRITUAL GIFTS

A spiritual gift is an expression of the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer that empowers them to serve the body of Christ—the Church.

Check the statements that sound like you. Consider asking a friend or spouse what they see in you as well.

TEACHING

Exodus 35:34 • Ephesians 4:11 • Romans 12:7

- ☐ Ability to explain God's truth so others can understand and apply it.
- ☐ Desire and ability to research and present truth in an organized, systematic way.
- ☐ Alert to details and place great emphasis on accuracy.
- ☐ Motivated by the desire to learn and share knowledge with others.
- ☐ Believe strongly in teaching as a foundation on which the church grows and remains faithful.

EVANGELISM

Ephesians 4:11

- ☐ Have a strong desire to share the gospel with nonbelievers in every situation and by all possible means.
- ☐ Find great joy in seeing the unsaved won to Christ.
- ☐ Desire to fulfill the Great Commission's evangelistic emphasis and devote significant time and effort to evangelism.

ADMINISTRATION

1 Corinthians 12:28

- ☐ Goal- and objective-oriented.
- ☐ Often have strong organizational skills.
- ☐ Able to coordinate resources to accomplish tasks efficiently.
- ☐ Motivated by accomplishing desired tasks and derive satisfaction from the results.

LEADERSHIP

Romans 12:8

- ☐ Ability to lead others toward spiritual growth.
- ☐ Often considered visionary; can set goals and motivate others toward accomplishing them.
- ☐ Usually able to communicate effectively with large groups of people.
- ☐ Often more concerned with the "big picture" than with the details of accomplishing tasks.

EXHORTATION

Romans 12:8

- ☐ Encourage others in the body of Christ through words of comfort, encouragement, and counsel in times of need.
- ☐ Are drawn to individuals seeking spiritual growth and are often willing to help them move toward greater spiritual maturity.

GIVING

Romans 12:8

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- ☐ Share material goods and financial resources with joy so the needs of the Lord's work are met.
 - ☐ Often discern wise investments and are usually effective money managers.
 - ☐ Prefer to give quietly and without recognition and are encouraged when they know needs are being met.

HELPS

1 Corinthians 12:28

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- ☐ Motivated by a desire to further the church's ministry by meeting the needs of others, especially those in leadership positions.

MERCY

Romans 12:8

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- ☐ Have immediate compassion for those who are suffering physically, spiritually, or emotionally.
 - ☐ Derive great joy from meeting others' needs and often attract people who are in distress.

SERVICE

Romans 12:7

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- ☐ Joyfully perform tasks that benefit others and meet practical needs.
 - ☐ May disregard personal comfort in order to serve others.
 - ☐ Often have a difficult time saying no when a need arises.

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EXPERIENCE

God knows you intimately. At the same time, He is the God of history and eternity. He desires to work in your life to bring about His plan for you. God never wastes an experience!

Reflect on your life—positive experiences, tragedies, church experiences, educational experiences, and job experiences. How might God use them in ministry? Write your thoughts below.

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RELATIONAL STYLE

How a person relates to others significantly affects his or her approach to Christian service. Check the relational style that best characterizes you:

- ☐ **DOMINANT Style:** Works toward achieving goals and results; functions best in an active, challenging environment.
- ☐ **INFLUENCING Style:** Works toward relating to people through verbal persuasion; functions best in a friendly, favorable environment.
- ☐ **STEADINESS Style:** Works toward supporting and cooperating with others; functions best in a supportive, harmonious environment.
- ☐ **CONSCIENTIOUS Style:** Works toward doing things right and focuses on results; functions best in a structured, orderly environment.

Reflect: How can my own God-given temperament be used by God to make a difference in my church and community?

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VOCATIONAL SKILLS

What vocational skills do you have that can be used in service for Christ? List two or three.

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ENTHUSIASM

Throughout the New Testament, leaders were passionate about their service for Christ; however, each person's enthusiasm was connected to his or her particular ministry calling. List two or three areas that bring joy to you while serving.