

## **Title: Volunteer Appreciation**

I just want to take a moment to look around the room and say a sincere, heartfelt **thank you**.

Every Sunday, without fail, you show up. You prepare. You pray. You serve. You lead. You go above and beyond in ways that many people will never fully see. But I want you to know—we see it. **God sees it.** 

I want to honor you today—not just for what you do, but for who you are.

You're not just filling a spots on a schedule. You're not just preparing the parking lot, greeting people at the door, teaching kids, running sound. You are building the Kingdom of God.

Your faithfulness is not in vain.1 Corinthians 15:58,

"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you.

Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

Every handshake, every smile, every moment of patience with a people, every hug you give, every prayer you pray—it matters. And it's making a difference not just for a Sunday—it's echoing into eternity.

Jesus said in Matthew 25:40,

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

That means that everything you do, even the smallest, unseen acts of service—you're doing it **for Jesus Himself**. Isn't that amazing?



## Hebrews 6:10, we're reminded:

"God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them."

So today, I want you to hear this clearly:

You matter. Your leadership matters. Your faithfulness matters. And it's leaving a legacy that will outlive you.

Because of you, people are experiencing the love of Jesus.

Because of you, kids are hearing the gospel. Because of you, people are stepping into a church where they feel welcomed, seen, and safe.

Because of you, hearts are being transformed.

So from the bottom of my heart—thank you.

You're heroes in the house of God, and I pray that He continues to pour out His joy, His strength, and His blessing over you and your families.

We love you. We honor you. And we're better because of you.

Let's keep building—together—for His glory and for eternity.