

Impressions of a Volunteer



I recently asked a long standing friend of mine, by the name of Bill Iannuzzi, if he would consider a volunteer position in teaching and mentoring parents of adolescents for the Courageous Parenting Ministry. After week 4 of the classes, this is his response:

Dennis



“Relationships are messy, but it is a good kind of messiness. For me, there is nothing more exciting than to have the privilege of being invited into the story line of another person. Being a volunteer with the Genesis Institute allows me not only to interact with others, but offers me a safe environment to share my own story of brokenness.”

“It doesn't take long in a community of people to begin to see the thread of our commonalities, for we are all more alike than we are different. For all of us, the struggles that we face today are but remnants of the shattered dreams and disappointments of our yesteryear's. They are played out differently through circumstance, but when shaken out they really are the same. We all thirst for a love that is unfailing; for an identity that values our person; and for a stability that allows us to be secure. In the arena of community, with the guidance of people who care for us, it is difficult to feel abandoned. Having this opportunity through the Courageous Parenting class is life changing.”

Bill