



# Encouragement

The gift of Encouragement is the God-given ability to present words of comfort, consolation, and encouragement so as to strengthen or urge to action those who are discouraged or wavering in their faith.

## **Scripture References for Encouragement**

- Romans 12:8
- Acts 11:22-24
- Acts 15:30-32

### People With This Gift Like to...

- Act in complete confidence of God's ability to overcome obstacles.
- Advance the mission of Christ because they'll step out in action when others are doubtful.
- Ask God for what is needed and have complete trust that those needs will be met.
- Be positive, motivating and reassuring

### Potential Ways to Use the Gift of Encouragement at CTK

#### **CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER**

The Christian Outreach Center is a local organization dedicated to providing children's programs that meet many academic, social and spiritual needs of children in the Clearwater/Largo area. The after school and Saturday morning programs consist of a meal, game time, music, movie with popcorn, a Bible lesson told using puppets, skits and/or audio visuals, object lessons to reinforce the lesson, a decision time with trained children's' counselors, and treats on the center's bus on the way home. The volunteers / workers are qualified Christian individuals from all walks of life who are needed as bus drivers, bus workers, program workers, refreshment workers, decision counselors, computer lab workers, tutors and maintenance workers.

**COMMITMENT** – Wednesday evening or Saturday morning **CONTACT PERSON** – John Grampsas, Director, 727-385-1874

#### NURSERY

When you serve a child in the nursery, you serve a whole family. Give a parent a breather so that they can be fully focused as they worship or attend a church function.

**COMMITMENT** – 1 hour per month during 8:15am or 11:00am services or other events as needed **CONTACT PERSON** – Leslie Leonard, DYRM, 595-2117, dyrm@ctklc.org

### **COOKIES AND CARING**

A support group for anyone facing a challenge which is intended as a time of fellowship, encouragement and respite.

**COMMITMENT** – Second Tuesday of the month from 6:30-8:00 pm **CONTACT PERSON** – Leslie Coleman, 727-512-0863