

**CARING HANDS OFFERING:
CHURCH WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER CONTENT II**

“Words Your Mother Taught You” Moment for Mission

What words did your mother teach you? After all, Mothers *are* our first teachers. They instill in us qualities that become part of the fabric of who we are. The words we learn from them resonate in our very being.

For me, my mother taught three special words: **FAITH, SERVICE and LOVE.**

FAITH, she said, carries you through hard times. Still, more than a year later COVID-19 tests our faith. Still, we should step out in faith, rely on God, live rightly and stay focused on what is truly important...caring for those in need.

SERVICE. Why is service important? Service, by its very action, causes us to step out of our comfort zones, our self-absorption, and provides the opportunity to live. Matthew 25:40 says that *“in as much as you have done this to the least of these... you have done it to me.”*

We must ask ourselves, how do I continue to serve? My Mother would encourage us to **Serve in** and with **Love** -- the act of faithfully fulfilling hope through devotion and always caring for others.

FAITH. SERVICE. LOVE.

These are Words our Mothers Taught Us.

And we must live by them.

Today, I ask that you live those words by prayerfully considering a gift to the Presbyterian Homes of Georgia’s *Caring Hands Fund in honor of our Mothers.*

The *Caring Hands Fund* benefits the Presbyterian Homes of Georgia's ministry for one of the most vulnerable segments of our Presbyterian family – God's seniors. Your generosity provides for mothers and others who have out-lived their financial resources at any one of our six (6) long-term care communities throughout Georgia. You can keep a 72-year old commitment that no resident will be asked to leave because they have outlived their financial means.

Visit <https://www.phgainc.org/donate/caring-hands-offering/> and click the donate button to help support the *Caring Hands Fund*. Or you may make a gift to the church in your usual manner—please note that the gift is for the *Caring Hands* Offering 2021.

Your generosity to help vulnerable seniors shows your **FAITH, SERVICE,** and **LOVE,** and is much appreciated.