



**Volunteers of America**  
*A Ministry of Service*

## MINISTER'S MESSAGE

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### Is God Calling You?

Commissioned in 2008, I answered the call to become a Volunteers of America minister. There have certainly been times over the years when I've had questions and doubts about whether I was doing a good job at it — but I never doubted that God planted me in Volunteers of America to minister, in my own bumbling, fumbling way, to His most vulnerable children and those who care for them.

So — How about you? Is God Calling You?

Do you sometimes feel that you are “called by God” to do the job you are doing in Volunteers of America? Do you sometimes tell people that you have a “heart” for working with people with disabilities or the homeless — or maybe that you have a special “mission” to work with veterans or articulate the story of Volunteers of America to the community? Do you feel that God may be calling you to a role of spiritual leadership in a non-traditional ministry oriented toward service? If so, God may be calling you to the commissioned ministry of Volunteers of America, an inter-denominational Christian church.

Employees\* who feel called to become ministers within Volunteers of America's ministry of service are committed to our mission of reaching and uplifting all people. They embody Christian leadership and offer compassion, knowledge and the active service of God to those in the greatest of need.

To become a commissioned minister in Volunteers of America, one must be at least 18 years of age; have had at least one year of employment with Volunteers of America; and undergo an application process that includes a rigorous but enlightening process of discernment, study and examination.

If you are interested in finding out more about Volunteers of America's commissioned ministry or to engage in the process of discernment about your call to the ministry, please call or email me to schedule a conversation over a cup of coffee.

Thanks and God bless,

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\*Volunteers who are at least 18 years of age and have had two years of continuous and active engagement with Volunteers of America at may also apply to become ministers within Volunteers of America.