

# REFLECTIONS

NOTE: Molly Avery, 14, is filling in for her grandfather this week.

What counts as righteousness? Being righteous literally means to be right, especially in a moral way. When Jesus died on the cross for us, he gave us a path to Heaven and allowed us to personally be in the presence of God. That's righteousness.

On Thursday, April 21, 2022, my cousin Deacon asked me to help him create a backstory for a Dungeons and Dragons character. The game has a Lord of the Rings feel—loosely based on medieval myths—so I helped him create a wood elf named Anorak. After we figured out the appearance and personality for him, he needed a job. So, Deacon decided that we should create a job for him based off an acronym of a common word. He chose the word BREAD. What we came up with is definitely vague—Bringing Righteousness Everywhere Always Daily—because, again, what counts as righteousness? Deacon and I interpret it as spreading the Good Word, since we can't be righteous without faith through Jesus, and we decided that Anorak the wood elf would spread righteousness everywhere always daily. Spread the BREAD for short. That worked out perfectly because I misspoke while explaining that on the brainstorming call with Deacon, and he said that he's stealing Spread the BREAD as the slogan.

Many people since then have started using the term, even if they don't know the origin story or the deeper meaning behind it. There are also so many people in the world who don't understand or haven't even heard of the Good Word, so we need to do our part in literally spreading the Word. David Anderson, our youth leader, came up with the idea of prayer walks and potential food pantry donation drives through a neighborhood near the church, and we'll probably continue that when it isn't quite so hot outside. In the meantime, we've been trying to redecorate our Sunday school room, and we'll probably eventually work on cleaning out the third floor of the church.

It's also the little things that bless people and bring smiles to their faces, even if we don't fully explain the Good Word to them. Giving someone a compliment or even just a smile can brighten that person's day. Have a good week and remember to love God, love others, and Spread the BREAD. *Molly Avery*

Shri Lankan minister D.T. Niles, 1908-1970, wrote "Evangelism is one beggar telling another where to find bread."

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|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| <b>Sunday Morning</b>       |            |
| Continental Breakfast       | 9:20 a.m.  |
| Worship                     | 10:00 a.m. |
| Bible Study & Conversation  | 11:15 a.m. |
| <b>Wednesday Evening</b>    |            |
| The People's Pantry         | 5:00 p.m.  |
| The Clothes Closet Ministry |            |
| Prayer Service              | 6:30 p.m.  |

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