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"If the only prayer you said was thank you, that would be enough."

*Meister Eckhart, 13th century Christian mystic*

On this Thanksgiving Day, we bring you this [meditation](#) from Molly Marshall, our recent Forum speaker, on the [Spirituality of Gratitude](#), the surest path to grasping the calculus of grace.

And, "[Joy, Joy, Joy](#)," even through, and especially through the struggle, from Amy Butler, a former minister at St. Charles Avenue Baptist church.

For what are you grateful today?

From my family, church and Fellowship, I am daily graced with whispers of the Infinite.

I am grateful too for those from within and without our state who continue to remember the suffering of our people. Hurricane Isaac left 15,000 families homeless in Louisiana as a result of flooding. One of the worst areas is in LaPlace, about 30 miles west of New

Orleans. CBF is focusing on 500 families.



A recent team from Florida came with **John Daugherty** who gave us [this story](#), and another from Tennessee sent [this report](#). Our volunteer site is a well-run machine.

Teams are arriving from across the CBF family and many more are needed. This work will go on for several months. We can provide work for the skilled and unskilled for 4-5 days. Three meals a days, a safe place to stay and a hot shower. You will meet new friends and help people that are counting on you for help.



Reid has composed this [info sheet](#) on the work to help you plan and pray.

I am thankful too for the Together for Hope work. Stephanie Vance, as you know, has accepted the national Together for Hope position and will be leaving us in December, though will still remain a resource to us through her new assignment. Our missionary search committee is active and making good progress. We hope to have an announcement for you soon. Please be in prayer for us.

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Grace, Kyle

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