



1 Peter 4:10 says, "just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God."

THE MOSS FAMILY'S VOLUNTEER STORY

Begin Anew is a ministry opportunity where the Moss family is very passionate about the mission.

It all started when Eric Ward tapped Joey Moss on the shoulder and said let me tell you about Begin Anew. Joey soon joined the Board of Directors and served as the Board Chair for two terms. Annually, he buys two tables during the Spring Fundraiser and invites family and friends to attend.

This is just the beginning of the story for the Moss family.

Unbeknownst to her sons, Mrs. Patti Lu Moss, Joey and Hunter's mother and a retired nurse, decided to attend a Begin Anew volunteer training. She also recruited a friend, Pat Steward, to join her in this new adventure back in 2015. As they say, the rest is history as they continue to drive 45 minutes to tutor and mentor students at our Franklin Campus today. Hunter shared this has been a life-changing experience for students, his mother, and their family. Mrs. Patti Lu's passion for encouraging others also moved her to help students secure other much needed resources for their families. To quote Hunter Moss "students became extended family". While Patti Lu was always working in the background throughout life, her passion for Begin Anew's mission moved her to step out of her comfort zone to share her testimony with different groups. Hunter commented that "Mother is the core of the Moss Family's involvement with Begin Anew, and her passion encouraged me to get involved".

Hunter was involved with the Young Leaders Council when he was asked to join Begin Anew's Board of Directors. In 2018, he served as an intern, and today (2022) serves as the Board Chair. His leadership and passion for the mission helped Begin Anew walk through many challenges from tornado destruction which created the need to move to a new building to rethinking how to continue to serve adult students during the pandemic. In addition to being generous with his time, talents, and resources while serving on the Board of Directors, Hunter is always fully engaged with our fundraising activities and makes time to be available whenever needed.

The next family member to join in on serving others through Begin Anew is Meredith, Joey's wife. It truly comes full circle with Elizabeth Ward, Eric Ward's wife, reaching out to Meredith Moss to ask her to join a committee that is critical to Begin Anew. The Spring Fundraising Committee raises roughly one third of Begin Anew's annual budget, which provides life-changing services to the adult students, their families, and our communities. Meredith was quick to take on an active role on this committee.

Hunter is very quick to share with others "we serve because He first loved us".