



St. Giles Appalachia Service Project 2012
“all for One”

Dear _____

This summer I am very excited to be participating in the Appalachia Service Project (ASP) with St. Giles Catholic Church. ASP is a home repair ministry providing services to low-income families in Central Appalachia, including some of the poorest counties in the United States. I will be spending a week in Appalachia along with 90 other teens and 40 adults in a total of three counties. This will be the 13th year St. Giles has participated in this program. I have heard many inspiring stories and life-changing experiences from both teens and adults who have gone in the past, and I look forward to experiencing these firsthand. I am awed by the fact that I will be able to help a family in only one week's time.

Our group has been busy since September planning for our trip. To date, we have gathered for formation meetings, met our work crews and have raised over \$34,000 towards our goal of \$100,000. While this may seem like a lot of money, in addition to each participant making a personal contribution to the trip, we have to cover our travel expenses, program fees, food, and home repair supplies. We will be riding in 25 vans and staying the week in a school or church. This is where I need your help. I am also asking you to donate to this important ministry. Any amount donated is greatly appreciated and helps make our trip possible. All donations are tax deductible and I will send you a receipt for your donation. To keep up with our fundraising goals, please return donations and the completed form below by **March 1, 2012**.

Please know that I appreciate your prayers and support as I set out on this meaningful mission this summer. If you'd like to learn more about our project, you can visit www.stgilesparish.org/ASP. I feel very fortunate to be part of a community that is so willing to serve others. I will also pray for you as I embark on this important project.

Thank you for helping me to help others.

Peace,

St. Giles Appalachia Service Project

Please fill out this form and return it with your donation. Please make checks payable to “ St. Giles ASP.”

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

AMOUNT OF DONATION: _____

**“Sometimes when I consider what tremendous consequences come from little things,
I am tempted to think that there are no little things.”-Bruce Barton**