

# APPRECIATION CARDS

## GIVING SPECIAL REGOGNITION TO THOSE WHO GO THE EXTRA MILE

This is an opportunity to show special members of your church how much they are appreciated, and teach your youth group the importance of recognizing people who are dedicated to befriending and helping others, and to serving their church. In my church, we have an elderly lady who has been greeting people at the door for years and years. She is always there giving hugs and big smiles to everyone who comes through the door. She goes the extra mile to make sure our church is a warm and friendly place to walk into. This is just an example of the type of person that deserves to have special recognition.

### ***Format:***

1. Bring some thank you cards or greeting cards to your youth class. You can buy some at the store, make some with a special message on the computer, or just bring blanks for the group members to write in.
2. Have the group members write whatever message they want in the cards and then sign them.
3. Take the group out and have them give the cards to the person being recognized, and explain that they wanted to do something special for that person to show how much they are appreciated.
4. Give the person a chance to respond and visit with them for a few moments.
5. Take your group back to your class room and talk about the importance of letting those who go the extra mile, how much they are appreciated, and explain how we should all follow their example in the way they treat people and the way they serve God and others.