



January Volunteer Ministries

You Hold the Key!

Cast: Cathy
Sister Passion
Sister Vision

(Cathy sits on a couch in living room at home, talking on a cell phone to Sister Passion [offstage].)

Cathy: Sister Passion, I feel so depressed. I've been having some strange dreams the past few nights that have left me confused and guilty. Right now, I'm next to tears. I feel I am on another of those guilt trips.

Sister Passion: What's going on, sister? I'm listening.

Cathy: Three nights ago I dreamt I saw a group of people eating out of the garbage. They appeared to be some relatives of mine. Two nights ago, I dreamt I saw some children in my neighborhood. They came knocking at the door—dirty, unkempt, and hungry. What was strange was that I chased them away! Then last night I found myself in a big shopping mall, going on a splurge and purchasing things that I don't even need. And it goes on and on....

Sister Passion: You know what, sister? I feel God has been speaking to you in dreams. When last did you engage in mission work? Our missions president at church is always calling for volunteers to reach out in a variety of ways. Tell you what, let me come over and talk with you for a few minutes.

(Cathy hangs up and straightens around the couch. There is a knock on the door. Cathy opens the door, and Sister Passion and Sister Vision enter.)

Cathy: Thank you for coming by, Sister Passion. Hello, Sister Vision. Welcome!

Sister Passion: Are you feeling better? I have been praying for you and invited Sister Vision to come with me.

Cathy: So nice of you both to come. Please, have a seat.

Sister Vision: Cathy, Sister Passion was explaining about your dreams. Several people from the church and I started an outreach feeding programme for some underprivileged folks in town. It has been going fairly well, but we could use some more hands. You hold the key to a very bright future in missions if you are willing to come along and join the team.

Cathy: I will think about it. I was thinking of joining the NMI president on her prayer walks next month. They are going to walk in the community, praying and ministering to some street people.

Sister Passion: I am so excited about missions that I am going to volunteer one week of my vacation to go on a missions trip to Haiti! We are helping to build a clinic there, and I am going to teach some of the ladies to make handcrafts that they can sell to help themselves and their families.

The needs are so great! God continues to open up doors of opportunities, and I am not backing down. I just tell Him: Lord, here are my hands; Lord, here are my feet, here are my lips. If You can use anything, Lord, You can use me.

Cathy: Wow! Will God use me if I volunteer some of my time to Him?

Sister Vision: Yes, He will. *(Taking a key from her pocket.)* Here's a key. Use it as a reminder that God can and will use you in His kingdom if you make yourself available to Him. **You** have the key!

Cathy: I am getting excited at the possibilities! I think that I may volunteer three months to work with children in an orphanage somewhere in the world. In the meantime, I am getting out of my comfort zone. I am going to volunteer, starting in January. Isn't Volunteer Ministries the NMI emphasis for January?

Sister Passion: You are catching on, Cathy. Let's have a word of prayer. Sister Vision, will you pray?

(Sister Vision prays.)

Sister Passion: We will have to leave you now, sister. Remember, you hold the key!

Sister Vision: Yes, **you** have the key to volunteer missions. *(Winks at Cathy.)*

Cathy: Ladies, I can't thank you enough for coming by. I feel so relieved. I know I have the key! *(Dangles key in front of her and smiles as others exit.)*

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Editor's Note: You may substitute NMI volunteer opportunities within your own church for the ones names in the sketch.