

## Blessings Abound When We Decide *To Serve*

I recently heard a Spartanburg Lions Club member share a blessing. The message went like this: While he was volunteering for our annual Candy Day, a woman approached him and gave him a pair of eye glasses. She then went on to tell the member that the glasses belonged to her late father who was also a Lion. While she was teary eyed at the memories of her father, she shared a token of appreciation for all the Lions Club meant to her family and father over the years. This message stayed on my mind and in my heart for days. While it seems that so often we are asked to volunteer our time and talents, we often forget what we can gain in return. While it's not fortune or fame that we reap; the payment is in form of a blessing. While serving Lions, we never know who we will encounter or the lessons we will learn. As we enter into the busiest time of the year, may we all take a moment and decide to continue to serve others, because while serving others, we too are gaining blessings. Next time you are asked *To Serve*, I hope you will readily accept the challenge and let your mind and heart remain open to receive a blessing.

