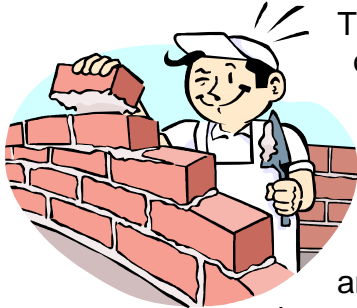


# Violinist and Bricklayer

A concert violinist had a brother who was a bricklayer.

One day, a woman began talking to the bricklayer about how wonderful it was for him to be in the same family as the noted musician. But then, not wanting to insult the bricklayer, she added, "Of course, we don't all have the same talents, and even in the same family, some just seem to have more ability than others."



The bricklayer replied, "You're telling me! That violinist brother of mine doesn't know a thing about laying bricks. And if he wasn't able to make some money playing that fiddle of his, he couldn't hire a guy with know-how like mine to build his house. If he had to build a house himself, he'd be ruined."

In the work that we are called to do in Life Care, Century Park and Life Care at Home, God has given each of us unique and important gifts that, when pooled together, enable us to fulfill the mission He has ordained for us. Some may work in nursing, some in housekeeping, laundry, maintenance, food service or administration. Whatever the assignment given us, fulfillment of it is essential for the success of the operation.

As each associate recognizes and appreciates the role that every other staff member plays, effective and efficient teamwork results.

In the spiritual realm, God has gifted us in different ways, too. Our responsibility is to exercise the spiritual gifts He has granted us. When we do, we build each other up in the faith, and there is harmony in the body of Christ.

*Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them (Romans 12:6).*

– Beecher Hunter