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*'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.'* Matt. 25:40



A 2011 St. Catherine Academy graduate and U of L respiratory nurse, Sidney left March 27 to volunteer for a three week shift in NYC to assist those suffering from COVID-19.

Sidney Culver has always had a compassionate heart, her mother, Angela Culver, shared. "She always said that if there were a tragic situation, then she would want to go and help."

Stationed at Elmhurst Hospital in Queens, Sidney puts in long hours and has been asked to stay on longer than her initial 21 day assignment. Nurses around the country can volunteer to assist in NYC through Krucial Staffing, a company that provides emergency staffing during critical times.

It's been exhausting emotionally and physically and the turnover rate of nurses is huge. Sidney shared that at the start of her three-week assignment, 51 nurses arrived on the bus, two days later there were only 26 nurses remaining.

In a Facebook post, Sidney invited other nurses to contact Krucial as well: "If you are able to come and help, and you are ready to work the hardest you will (probably) ever work, please give krucial a call! you will work along side some amazing other health care workers that packed their life up for a couple weeks and are in the same situation as you. NYC needs us and now is our time to show them what we got!"

When asked what we can learn from Sidney's experience, Angela Culver said: "We are all affected by this, big or small. Pray. Help each other. Pray for a cure. Just pray for everyone."



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At the end of every day--usually a 14-15 hour shift--Sidney is worn out. "She told me her back and feet hurt and she's absolutely exhausted", says her mother. "The days are hard but when she walks out, she feels so good, knowing that she's helped make a difference."

Thank you, Sidney for your willingness to give all you have to serve in the Lord's work. God bless you!

*Photos taken from Sidney Culver's Facebook page with permission.*