

**Ms. Nancy Gore**  
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**Tell us a little about yourself and how you serve.**

Serving has been a part of me since I was a little girl when I did volunteer work for the Easter Seal Society. After working 26 years in a great career with BellSouth, I took early retirement so I could give back to the community as a teacher. I was brought up Catholic but left the church decades ago and recently found a home as a Lutheran. Now fully retired, I have the time to serve at a greater capacity. I love my church family and am lead for our Parish Care group, I serve on our council, and I am a Stephen Minister. Outside of church I am also on the board for the National Spina Bifida Association.

**What is your favorite Bible verse and why?**

Psalm 46:10 "Be still, and know that I am God." I love this verse because it reminds me that I'm not in charge, that there's no need to fret and that I can rely on God to be there in any situation.

**Where have you seen God recently?**

I spent most of 2020 banished from my wheelchair, lying on my side trying to heal a pressure sore caused by sitting too much. God was with me the entire time. I saw Him in the faces of those who cared for me, brought food to me, prayed for me, and prayed with me month after month.

**When/how have you been blessed by God's abundance?**

I read a statistic very recently that the survival rate of babies such as myself born with Spina Bifida in 1958 had a less than 10% chance of survival. I am 62. I've been married for almost 25 years. With my husband's help, we have traveled all over the United States in our Airstream RV, we have been scuba diving all over the Caribbean, and we have kayaked dozens of lakes and rivers all over the country. I was blessed with amazing parents who expected me to do well, have a career, and live independently. I have also been blessed with great friends and a supportive family. All in all, I am very richly blessed.