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Random Acts of Kindness are truly a blessing to those who are in need, especially as they struggle through life's trials and tribulations. Such is the story of Richard and Ginger Smith, who have been faithful members of Taylor Lake Christian Church.

Richard and Ginger were married on December 1, 2012. Soon afterwards, Richard, a disabled Army veteran (he served in Osaka in 1968-1969) fell victim to ill health. He went into the hospital with cardiovascular problems and consequently had to quit his job. Richard's vocation consists of manual labor as a plumber and doing light construction work. Ginger, his wife, continued to work at Wal-Mart, earning minimum wage supporting them both.

Richard and Ginger soon found themselves unable to continue their rent payments on their home, but thanks to the generosity of Richard's brother and sister-in-law, they moved into their home and share living space while placing some of their belongings in storage. Richard and Ginger have been living with family for the past year and a half; Richard has recently been through open heart surgery and is unable to work at this time. Ginger has recently found employment at Regency Village where she works 12 hour shifts, 2 days on, 2 days off with her colleagues alternating between a 33 to 48 hour work weeks. She is also taking pre-requisite classes at the College of the Mainland in Texas City where she aspires to gain a degree in nursing; Richard and Ginger are saving what little they can, trying hard to get a place of their own to live in. A Random Act of Kindness would be truly appreciated and welcomed by this couple who seems to have had recently encountered life's hardships.

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