look them in the eye and show your gratitude.

- 4. Show up. When a friend of family member needs help or wants company or seems not quite like themselves, be there for them. Call, write, email, visit whatever it takes. Let them know that you appreciate the role they play in your life by being there for them.
- 5. Practice mindfulness. Mindfulness means living in the moment. It means appreciating every bite of your lunch. Enjoying the soft purr of your cat. Embracing the time that you have with your grandchildren. And savoring time spent doing things you love. Rather than just going through the motions of all of the above, remind yourself to be in the moment and aware of all that's happening around you. It's easier to be grateful when you're savoring the experience.
- **6. Tell people you appreciate them.** We're not talking about a "nice sweater," here, although that's a lovely thing to say, if you mean it. Rather, think about the things you relish about your friends and family. Write those items down in your gratitude journal. And then be sure and share the compliments with the people, themselves. You can say it over the phone, via email, in person or — our preference — in a thoughtful letter. Let them know why you adore them. It'll make you feel good for spreading the love, and they're bound to enjoy knowing that they've made an impact on you. They may even pay the compliment forward and start a gratitude chain.

No matter where you are in life, there are, no doubt, many reasons to be grateful. Think about those reasons, and they may help brighten your entire outlook on the world.



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CORRECTION:

Senior Services I Ride van transportation to medical appointments **does not** serve the southern part of Virginia. The information that we published in the September 2018 newsletter was given to us in error by that agency.

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