



## PATIENT STORY

# RITA GRANT

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A few years ago, Rita Grant was laid off from her job. She promptly enrolled in a phlebotomy course that would help her find new work in healthcare. But events forced Rita to interrupt her studies and focus on helping her family through a difficult, dark time.

### When Life Throws You a Curveball

Rita’s daughter Devanne delivered twin girls, Asa and Ava, prematurely. Each of the girls weighed less than two pounds at birth. Thankfully, both survived long hospital stays, but their medical problems, including cerebral palsy, are challenging and require constant attention and therapy. Their loving grandmother Rita stepped in to help Devanne with the day-to-day care and keep the family going. She is truly the light of this family and their safety net!

Over the years, Rita heard about the great things happening at Coweta Samaritan Clinic. Though she works part-time at Lowe’s, she has no insurance and several chronic conditions, so she applied to become a patient at the Clinic. The range of services she was able to access through the Clinic touches every aspect of her life and every member of the family.

### Keeping the Caregivers Healthy

Rita’s care includes not only critical medical treatment for asthma, diabetes, a thyroid condition, prescription glasses, and cancer screenings, but also prescription medicines and supplies including a glucometer with test strips, asthma inhalers, and Restasis, all available free of charge through our Patient Assistance Program. Early in the COVID-19 pandemic, we were able to refer Rita to an ear, nose, and throat doctor for urgent treatment.

Under the stress of her girls’ hospitalizations, Devanne says, “My health was on the back burner, and I was about to break down.” She applied to become a patient too. “It’s so good to be able to just call someone when you need to. I’m extremely grateful for the Clinic.” Through the Clinic, Devanne was able to access carpal tunnel surgery that makes it possible to continue caring for her children.

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## I Cannot Stop Singing Their Praises



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To provide high-quality, compassionate healthcare in a faith-based environment for Coweta County residents in need

### OUR VISION

A healthier community where adults in need have access to high-quality healthcare

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### **Far Beyond the Necessities**

The loving care Rita and Devanne receive at the Clinic goes far beyond medical necessities. Clinic staff and volunteers help out with the twins during appointments. Our Social Work Case Manager, Amy Kelly, has connected Rita and Devanne to additional support like toiletry kits, warm coats and hats, transportation, even Thanksgiving food baskets and Christmas gifts, when the family had no means to purchase them. Thanks to a very special donation from a Clinic supporter, Devanne was able to purchase a walker for one of her twins and pay for household items they desperately needed.

Rita emphasizes that “Time and time again, they have rescued me. People at the Clinic always ask me, ‘How are the babies doing? Can we put you on the prayer list?’ They take care of your spiritual needs also. They have a prayer box in the lobby where you can put requests. I cannot stop singing their praises. They have helped every member of the family. That’s all I can tell you, our coming to the Clinic was God’s work.”

Rita and Devanne are not living the life they expected. As Rita says, “Sometimes life gives you a curveball. We think that we will never end up in a certain place in life, but we end up there. When I got there, the Clinic was there for me.”

By sharing your resources with Coweta Samaritan Clinic, you are lighting the way to health and hope for Rita, Devanne, and so many other in our community.