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Letters From Home



An Exploration of the New Testament Epistles

GIVING

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SUNDAY | AUGUST 6 | 9 & 10:30AM

Prelude**Call to Worship***Holy, Holy, Holy****Prayer***The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)****Passing of the Peace****Welcome & Announcements***(10:30am only: 3 years - 1st grade are dismissed to Children & Worship during song)**They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love****Scripture:** Philemon 1:1-25**Sermon:** "Three Guys Just Trying to Figure It Out"**Holy Communion***See How Good It Is (Psalm 133)***God, Creator of Your People****Benediction****Postlude****indicates congregational song***Leading in the Service****Preaching:** Rev. Bryce Vander Stelt**Liturgists:** Rev. Ross Dieleman, Rev. Tierra Marshall, Rev. Nate Schipper**Musicians:** Matt & Megan Abbott, James Braunius, Beka Folkert, Mike Hamilton, Lori Maatman, Jess Mix, Vonnie Ritsema**Audio & Video Tech Team:** Joel Bosma, Lisa & Steve Braunius, Susan Buck, Jeremy & Ryan Dalman, Jabin Dieleman, Paul Solis**MEET UP & EAT UP VOLUNTEERS**We currently have 3 people signed up but **we will need many more!**

Join us as we minister to migrant families through lunch, games, crafts, connection, and more on August 14-25 (weekdays) from 11:15am-1pm. You don't need to commit to every day to volunteer - choose the days that work for you! Volunteer hours can be used for high school service hours too. Please use the QR code or go to the Welcome Center to sign up.

**GLOBAL MISSION PARTNERS**

Pray for these mission partners:

- Amos Limo Liang'or, who ministers amongst the Pokot community and the Alale Girls Secondary School in Kenya.
- Albino and Sandra Rodriguez, who through their community development organization, La Casa del Maestro, work with troubled youth in Cusco, Peru.
- Chuck and Jean VanEngen, who help run a doctoral program for seminary professors in Latin America.

FELLOWSHIP LOOPIf you would like to stay in the Fellowship loop, there are several ways you can do that. We send an email each Friday with upcoming events, highlights from recent activities, cool Fellowship stories we think you should know about, and more. We are also active on Facebook and Instagram, and have an Events page on our website! Go to fellowshipreformed.org to find the links for all of the above!*Letters From Home***Philemon | August 6**

Journal it. Ask a friend. Discuss it in a group.

Reflect | What is the story of how you got your name? What does your name mean?**Excavate |** Read Philemon. What does Onesimus' name mean in Greek? What role does Philemon play within his household? What sort of authority does he have over Onesimus?**Interpret |** In Paul's view, how has Onesimus become useful? How does the Gospel, according to Paul, change Philemon's relationship to Onesimus? Why doesn't Paul utilize his apostolic authority over both Philemon and Onesimus to simply declare Onesimus free so that he can keep him as his partner in the Gospel?**Examine |** Paul invites Philemon and Onesimus into reconciliation or, to get right with each other. What does he invite Onesimus to do? What does he invite Philemon to do? In what ways do they each take risks and make sacrifices for reconciliation? When you think about moments of rupture and reconciliation in your own relationships, which is more challenging for you: when you have the upper hand like Philemon or when you have to return to someone and make things right (e.g. ask for mercy) like Onesimus?**Apply |** What risks and sacrifices is God calling you to make for the sake of reconciliation in your own relationships this season? What is one step you can take in that direction?**Invite |** For whom might you serve as a "Paul" in bringing about reconciliation?As an **ALL BELONG** church, Fellowship welcomes all individuals and families living with disabilities. Please inquire at the Welcome Center for assistance and/or additional information.