



Fidelity

Let's do what is good toward all men, and especially toward those who are of the household of the faith - Galatians 6:10

19 November 2023

What is Missions Sunday and What You Can Do



When we started the Household of Faith, our leaders determined that missions would play a major part in our activities. Right from the first year, Missions Sunday was part of our church calendar.

When we moved to the Metropolitan YMCA, we hosted our first Missions Retreat with 4 speakers from China, Indonesia and Malaysia.

Visiting preachers from other countries are invited to speak at our meetings. We usually encourage them with an agape gift for their work.

From time to time we receive requests for assistance, especially during the Covid pandemic. As we are able, we respond with contributions to help the hospitalised and also the distribution of necessities in other countries.

We would like to encourage our members to go on missions trips, visit churches in other countries to speak and conduct Bible classes for children.

In time, we would like to groom preachers in other countries and help them develop the local church.

In the meanwhile, we will conduct the annual Missions Sunday to grow our missions fund so that we will be able to do some of the projects mentioned above.



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All members are urged to be part of this year's Missions Sunday. Whatever you decide to give, God loves a cheerful giver.


Matthew 28:19-20: *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*



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Everyone was interested in this subject, especially the Jews


Since the captivity, they had looked forward to the coming of the Messiah

3 different mindsets

- Predominant: Pharisees – legalistic
- Sadducees: political – no resurrection

Acts 23:8 *For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, nor angel, nor spirit; but the Pharisees confess all of these.*

- Zealots – overthrow of the Romans



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Matthew 7:7-12


Matthew 7:7-12 *"Ask, and it will be given you. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and it will be opened for you.*

For everyone who asks receives. He who seeks finds. To him who knocks it will be opened.

Or who is there among you, who, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, who will give him a serpent?

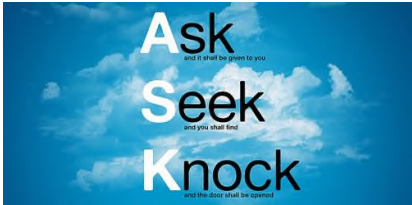
If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

Therefore whatever you desire for men to do to you, you shall also do to them; for this is the law and the prophets.



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Context is father and child relationship. God wants to pour heaven's blessings out on you



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Take it to the Lord in Prayer

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O, what peace we often forfeit,
O, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer!

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Matthew 23:37 *"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, who kills the prophets, and stones those who are sent to her! How often would I have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, and you would not!"*



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Malachi 3:10 *Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and test me now in this," says the Lord of hosts, "if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough for.*

Psalms 23:5-6 *You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil. My cup runs over. Surely goodness and loving kindness shall follow me all the days of my life, And I shall dwell in Yahweh's house forever.*

James 1:5 *But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach; and it will be given to him.*

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If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

God will do much more!





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Therefore whatever you desire for men to do to you, you shall also do to them; for this is the law and the prophets.

The Silver Rule says, "Don't do things to other people that you wouldn't want them to do to you,"

The Golden Rule says, "Do to other people the things that you would like them to do to you,"





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How to Enter the Kingdom



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Matthew 28:19



Missions SUNDAY
GO INTO ALL THE WORLD.
10th December 2023

3 weeks away

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6th Annual Missions Sunday

As announced on our first Sunday morning worship, we are looking forward to our 6th Missions Sunday on 10th December.

The Household of Faith has since its inception, been active in missions. We hosted a missions seminar with participants from China, Malaysia and Indonesia; involved preachers from Philippines and Papua New Guinea and helped new congregations around Asia.

Please pray for, and plan to give generously towards this year's event.

Your friend and minister,
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Go then, and make disciples of all the nations...
Matthew 28:19



John 17:18-21 "As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth. I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me"