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This **Pandemic** has helped us realize that the church building is a welcome instrument, but **not** a requirement for believers to obey Jesus' teachings or demonstrate God's **saving love** to others. It seems that for now and the **foreseeable future**, we ought not to meet physically, but like the disciples, we can **absolutely devote** ourselves to fellowship and be "all the while praising God." (***And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved*** (Acts 2:42-43, 47 KJV).

This September issue of the JAMES DAVIS, EML Newsletter, will call us to unity from prioritized fellowship," or said in clearer words, "unity comes when we prioritize fellowship." this can only happen when we **"PUT IT INTO PRACTICE"** (C [Philippians 4:9 KJV](#))!

Things we have both learned, received, heard and seen in JESUS, do:

DO VIRTUAL **FELLOWSHIP**, PRIORITIZE IT, BE **PATIENT**.

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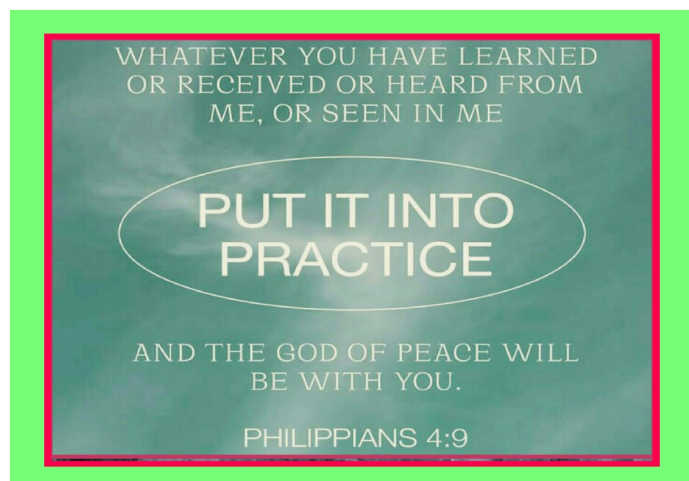
WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE!"

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THE DOOR POST SCRIPTURE:

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf." (Hebrews 6:19-20 NIV).

"THE MOTTO: "FAITH IT, 'TIL WE MAKE IT!"



THE DOOR POST James Davis EML Newsletter ▪ Third Year

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"PUT IT INTO PRACTICE": is our call to come together in unity. We can do this when we prioritize fellowship. Combining these topics, though it maybe a stretch, means we are able to live by the mighty power of God's true Word. Yes, in this Pandemic, we have been shattered, ejected from church buildings; yet as sheep scattered from traditional worship, we have become as sheep spreading fire of the written Word. We have been made to think "outside-of-the-box" to spread the preaching's of His word [Jesus] (C [Jeremiah 23:29](#)). We might be **living stones** ejected, but not from the great **Rock** of ages or our living **Shepherd**.

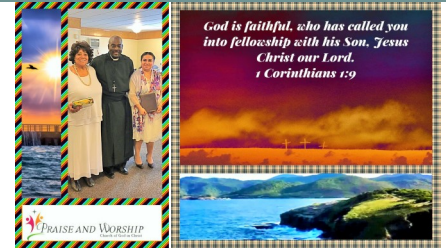
CONSIDER DEVOTION TO FELLOWSHIP: The word fellowship, in Greek is Koino`nia, which refers to an intimate bond that unites believers to work in joint participation, in cities and nations. Simply said, our early Christian examples prioritized connection with each other through genuine and authentic relationships. What if we saw today, as the first church worshipers experienced, the **amazing** things that can happen when we prioritize fellowship ([Acts 2:47](#)).

WE CAN BE AWESTRUCK: By seeing miraculous signs, wonders and healings; the needy and poor feed and clothed; possessions become blessings for others especially during this tragic COVID-19 Pandemic! What does these things have in common? They all occur when believers devote themselves to "prioritize fellowship."

BE ENCOURAGED TODAY: as with the disciples; as all these miraculous things happen, Jesus will continue to "add to our fellowship." Our church's invitation to join us online could be the reason that others finally engage with a Sunday Service. Our prioritizing of group Zooms: Prayer and Bible Band classes and Sunday Services, might demonstrate to the unsaved that believers do really care about one another. Who knows what impact our fellowship could have?(C [ACTS 2:44-46, 7:34, 38, 49](#)).

GOD HASN'T STOPPED WORKING: just because we're not meeting in a building as a church, or because we're not sitting in an office cubicle; teaching or learning in an inside physical classroom, or walking the store floors. We all can pray together at a specified set time. We can pray for radical unity of our local church members and our churches as a whole; pray to be "together with one mind and purpose" (C [Philippians 2:2](#)) in the big picture [church/country]; in the little picture [family and city].

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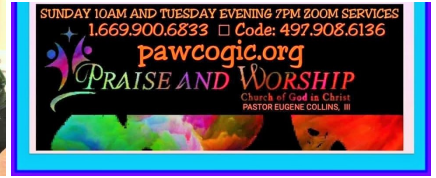
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SEEK KINGDOM VISION:
"PUT IT INTO PRACTICE!"

Pastor Eugene Collins, III

PRAISE AND WORSHIP's
YOUTH DEPARTMENT: THE
BEST THIS SIDE OF HEAVEN!

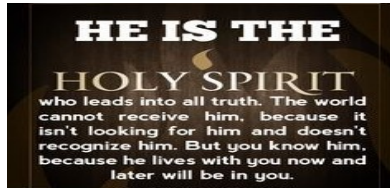


- * **PERSONAL QUESTION:** How do we [over an unexpected, unknown, extended period] continue making virtual fellowship a priority? Unity=Purpose
- * **REALIZE:** Being united doesn't always mean doing things physically together. If we are the church [brothers and sister in the family of God] we can be distancing, yet remain united in purpose.
- * **UNITED IN SEPARATION:** We may find that we, as a body, work just as well, separately, to achieve the same goal. It has been described by some as a "harmonious separation" (C Genesis 13:5-9).
- * **FAITH IN PRACTICE:** can be achieved by putting into practice this spiritual acronym. S-I-P-D-E. These letters mean: **Scan**, Identify, **Predict**, **Decide**, and **Execute**. Paul cautioned us to Scan, look around, be very careful, be wise. Identify, hazards that may derail us. Predict, avoid personal pitfalls. Decide, seek to learn God's will for fellowship living. Execute, we each can study, sing, rejoice, praise, pray and give Him thanks; even while in place virtually (C Ephesians 5:8-20).

IT'S BY SPIRITUAL POWER! "THE DOOR POST" Feature Article

DRIVEN BY SPIRITUAL POWER: Seeking God's kingdom means seeking something **not of this world**. It means we chose to be driven by **spiritual power** [the Holy Spirit] to achieve our purpose. **Fellowship** is a bond or common purpose and devotion that joins Believers to one another and to Christ (C 1 Cor. 1:9). We participate together in the saving power and message of the good news (1 Cor.9:23; Phil. 1:5). Chabor is the Hebrew stem and Koin is the Greek stem. Koinonia, a favorite word of Paul, describe a believer's relationship with the risen Lord and the benefits of salvation which comes through Him. **Fellowship** with Christ for us today is also through participation in the Lord Supper: since "**there is one bread, we who are many are one body.**" (C 1 Cor. 10:16-17 HCHB). This is why prioritizing virtual communion is so im-

portant. Unfortunately for us, seeking kingdom power is always a struggle between choosing things of this earthly home verses choosing things of our next heavenly home.



DIFFERENT VIEWS OF POWER:
1). **Human Driven Power:** is when maintaining our positions of authority over our desires takes priority. We compromise what we know is right. We give -in or give-up, choosing political or our own smartness, verses not amassing control over our own desires; preserving one's own interests (C John 18:29-36).

2). **Real Spiritual Power:** entails an inward driven power that leads to giving of ourselves for the sake of others. It drives us to pursue discipline despite challenges.

THINK IMAGE:
DISPLAY SPIRITUAL POWER: Prioritize Fellowship gives genuine love, which some folks have never seen before, rather than choosing to accumulate selfish power for ourselves.

PONDER THIS IMAGE:
CONCLUSION: No matter what we face — pandemic, fire, social distancing, floods, earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, tampered political elections; even our own selfish stumbling — we can still experience a new life in Christ as we grow in dependence on His boundless **spiritual power** and grace. It means **prioritized fellowship** that is of one mind, the mind of Christ to give even when it is painful, difficult to follow through; to finish with hope and faith in something we can't see. We aspire for spiritual promises that often the world can't understand. We chose obedience in our service to God and others for eternal spiritual life (C JAMES 1:12

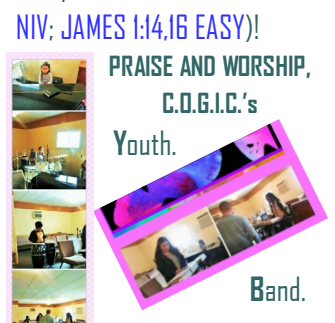
CELEBRATION OF LIFE: Special Happy Birthdays ■ Happy Anniversary

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HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY TO ALL!
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