



# Forest Home Church

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"Sharing, Loving & Exploring Life in Christ"

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## One Anothering

### Affirm

1. Affirm one another's strengths, abilities, and gifts.

Romans 12:10: "Honor one another"  
James 5:9: "Don't grumble against each other"  
Romans 12:3-8: Confirm the gifts of one another

2. Affirm one another's equal importance in Christ.

Romans 15:7: "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you"  
1 Corinthians 12:25: "Have equal concern for each other"  
1 Peter 5:5: "Clothe yourselves with humility toward one another"  
James 2:1: "Don't show favoritism"

3. Affirm one another through visible affection.

Romans 16:16: "Greet one another with a holy kiss"  
James 1:19: "Be quick to listen, slow to speak"  
Ephesians 4:32: "Be kind and compassionate to one another"  
1 Thessalonians 3:12: "[May] your love increase and overflow for each other"

### Share

4. Share one another's space, goods, and time.

Romans 12:10: "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love"  
1 Peter 4:9: "Offer hospitality to one another"  
Galatians 6:10: "As we have opportunity, let us do good"

5. Share one another's needs and problems.

Galatians 6:2: "Carry each other's burdens"  
1 Thessalonians 5:11: "Encourage one another"  
Hebrews 3:13: "Encourage one another daily"

6. Share one another's beliefs, thinking, and spirituality.

Colossians 3:16: "Teach and admonish one another"  
Ephesians 5:19: "Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs"  
Romans 12:16: "Live in harmony with one another"  
1 Corinthians 1:10: "Agree with one another"

### Serve

7. Serve one another through accountability.

James 5:16: "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other"  
Romans 15:14: "Instruct one another"  
Ephesians 4:25: "Speak truthfully"

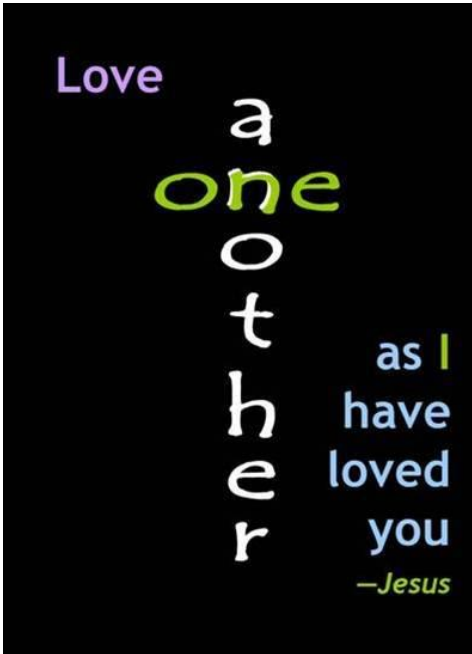
8. Serve one another through forgiveness and reconciliation.

Ephesians 4:2: "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love"  
Colossians 3:13: "Forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another"  
Galatians 5:25: Don't provoke or envy one another  
James 4:11: "Do not slander one another"  
Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15: Re-establish broken relationships with one another

9. Serve one another's interests rather than our own.

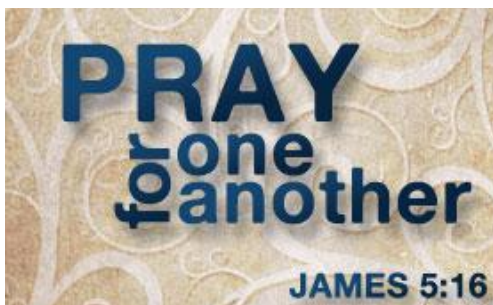
Hebrews 10:24: "spur one another on toward love and good deeds"  
Romans 15:1-2: Don't please yourself but please others  
Galatians 5:13: "Serve one another"

(This outline from Tim Keller's *Gospel in Life* showing nine "specific behaviors that build Christian community.")



### PRAYERS AND PRAISES

- Our brothers/sisters in Africa: Jac Agak, Charles Ngoje, Jacob Randiek, and your orphan(s)
- Lisa Grimenstein as Pregnancy comes full term
- Cheyenne's father for healing from cancer
- Wisdom from above for Elders, counselors, and those at crossroads
- Bless our students to finish well in school
- Remember folks in Phil Campbell, Alabama in losses
- Lord's provision for those in job transition
- Bless Lord the Hearts & Hands of many ministering from FH
- Lord pursue our wandering ones to return home to Jesus
- Thank You for the blessed goodness of dwelling together in unity
- Teach us to Think and Walk in the Light of your Resurrection



The first thing to say about politics is that politics is not the first thing. Richard John Neuhaus

"Optimism hopes for the best without any guarantee of its arriving and is often no more than whistling in the dark. Christian hope, by contrast, is faith looking ahead to the fulfillment of the promises of God, as when the Anglican burial service inters the corpse 'in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ.' Optimism is a wish without warrant; Christian hope is a certainty, guaranteed by God himself. Optimism reflects ignorance as to whether good things will ever actually come. Christian hope expresses knowledge that every day of his life, and every moment beyond it, the believer can say with truth, on the basis of God's own commitment, that the best is yet to come." J.I. Packer

FEAR = False Evidence Appearing Real

Surrender is victory when we yield to God.

Discontent makes rich men poor; while contentment makes poor men rich.

It isn't what we have, but what we enjoy that makes for a rich life, and the wise person understands that contentment is not having everything we want, but enjoying everything we have.

Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment (1 Timothy 6:6 ESV)



**"Branded"**

Youth Night Last Wed of each month  
6pm @ the church (may 25<sup>th</sup>)

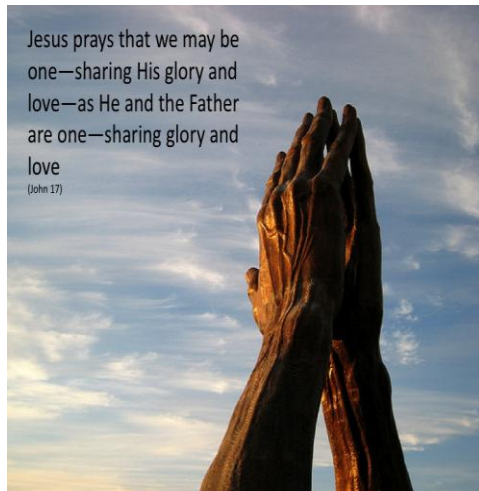
**Youth to the Sounds game**  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>

"Faith Night" w/ Chris August

**"Life only has meaning / I only have worth if ..."**

- I have power and influence over others." (Power Idolatry)
- I am loved and respected by \_\_\_\_\_." (Approval Idolatry)
- I have this kind of pleasure experience, a particular quality of life." (Comfort idolatry)
- I am able to get mastery over my life in the area of \_\_\_\_\_." (Control idolatry)
- people are dependent on me and need me." (Helping Idolatry)
- someone is there to protect me and keep me safe." (Dependence idolatry)
- I am completely free from obligations or responsibilities to take care of someone." (Independence idolatry)
- I am highly productive and getting a lot done." (Work idolatry)
- I am being recognized for my accomplishments, and I am excelling in my work." (Achievement idolatry)
- I have a certain level of wealth, financial freedom, and very nice possessions." (Materialism idolatry)
- I am adhering to my religion's moral codes and accomplished in its activities." (Religion idolatry)
- this one person is in my life and happy to be there, and/or happy with me." (Individual person idolatry)
- I feel I am totally independent of organized religion and am living by a self-made morality." (Irreligion idolatry)
- my race and culture is ascendant and recognized as superior." (Racial/cultural idolatry)
- a particular social grouping or professional grouping or other group lets me in." (Inner ring idolatry)
- my children and/or my parents are happy and happy with me." (Family idolatry)
- Mr. or Ms. "Right" is in love with me." (Relationship Idolatry)
- I am hurting, in a problem; only then do I feel worthy of love or able to deal with guilt." (Suffering idolatry)
- my political or social cause is making progress and ascending in influence or power." (Ideology idolatry)
- I have a particular kind of look or body image." (Image idolatry)

Passionate Lord, deliver us from our vanities unto a clear and unrestrained worship of You. LH



**Take the Idolatry Test**

The apostle Paul encouraged the Corinthian church saying, "Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves" (2 Corinthians 13:5). As we grow in Christ, the Lord challenges the idols that would keep Him from the highest place. One God-honoring exercise is to take time to prayerfully consider the following idol list from preacher Tim Keller and receive the Lord's revealing, reorientation-repentance, and resolution to anything that would keep us from loving Him. Note that many things that are good in themselves may easily eclipse the best and highest—our Lord. Let us be quick to make peace with God, that His peace "may guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:7). LH

**CLASSES AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE @ FOREST HOME:**

Classes begin at 9 am. Worship begins at 10 am.

- Pre-K – Kindergarten
- 1<sup>st</sup> grade – 4<sup>th</sup> grade
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up

**2011 Calendar**

EACH MON+THURS 5:30-5:50PM @ the church Intercessory prayer for anyone  
EACH WED 5:00 pm @ the church, Women's Bible Study  
May 25<sup>th</sup> Youth night at church 6pm "Branded"  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> Youth Sounds Game "Faith Night"

DATE	NURSERY (Infants-2 yrs old) During sermon only	LORD'S SUPPER PREPARATION	WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER
May 22	Anita Christy	May Gill	May 25 Linda/Lois June 1 Ocie/Shannon June 8 Pat/Karen
May 29	Ocie Garner	June Farmer	
June 5	Barbara Jenkins	July Dawn	
		August Costello	
		Sept Garner	
		(Sub-Grimensteins) See Jim Grim with questions.	