Pastor Paul Dawson • September 2-3, 2023 • Fill-In Online Bulletin Philippians 4:2-9 (New English Translation)

²I appeal to Euodia and to Syntyche to agree in the Lord. ³Yes, I say also to you, true companion, help them. They have struggled together in the gospel ministry along with me and Clement and my other coworkers, whose names are in the book of life. ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I say, rejoice! ⁵Let everyone see your gentleness. The Lord is near! ⁶Do not be anxious about anything. Instead, in every situation, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, tell your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is worthy of respect, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if something is excellent or praiseworthy, think about these things. ⁹And what you learned and received and heard and saw in me, do these things. And the God of peace will be with you. (Philippians 4:2-9 NET)

Even "good Christians" get it wrong sometimes!

When there are conflicts between Christians, the goal is reconciliation and re-focus, not "winning".

Paul gives some steps toward reconciliation:

1.) Refocus your heart and attention.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I say, rejoice! ⁵Let everyone see your gentleness. The Lord is near! (Philippians 4:4-5 NET)

2.) Set aside self-focused anxiety for God's peace.

⁶Do not be anxious about anything. Instead, in every situation, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, tell your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7 NET)

3.) Refocus your minds to reduce conflict.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is worthy of respect, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if something is excellent or praiseworthy, think about these things. (Philippians 4:8 NET)

And what you learned and received and heard and saw in me, do these things. And the God of peace will be with you. (Philippians 4:9 NET)

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What's happening with the Lighthouse family...

Because relationship with one another is at the core of being a disciple of Christ, we invite you to find community and experience spiritual transformation through LCC's groups, classes, events, and service opportunities.

Starting Point: If you are newer to or looking for connection and community at LCC, this class is for you. We meet in Room 321 (Building 2) at 12:30pm on Sunday, September 3. Lunch is provided. Please register at www.lighthousehome.org/starting-point.

LCC offices are closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 4.

Parents, please note: Sunday classes for kiddos 5 years and up (downstairs rooms) will be open for the 9:00am service ONLY (no 11:00am classes) through September 3. Nursery rooms will remain open as usual for little ones 0-4 years (upstairs rooms). Regular Sunday morning classes at both 9am and 11am for all kids 0-12 years will resume on Sunday, September 10.

Single Vision Game Night: All singles 35+ are invited to our potluck and game night. No need to register. Come as you are. Bring a dish to share. 7:00pm on Friday, September 8.

LCC Fall Ministry Fair: Find true community where you can grow and transform spiritually. Come see all that is planned for the fall season (September - December) here at LCC and learn how you can be involved. Watch your eNews for more details or visit www.lighthousehome.org/ministry-fair to read more. After each service on September 9-10.

Meet Daniel Pierce: Daniel is our outreach partners with YWAM. Join us for a reception following each worship service on the weekend of September 9-10. Come hear his stories and show your support for his ministry. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/global-outreach for all the details.

Bible Quizzing: Bible Quizzing is a great way to learn and memorize Scripture while making new friends. All 6th-12th graders are welcome to participate. We meet at 4:00pm on Sundays starting September 17. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/students for all the details and a link to register.

Adult Study: This study is for both men and women. In this study, author Bruce Wilkinson reveals from the words of Jesus how you can find the freedom and peace for which your soul longs. We meet at 11:00am starting Sunday, September 17. For all the details and a link to join this group, visit www.lighthousehome.org/70x7.

Women's Fall Studies: For all women. We meet on various days/times. Topics include theology, forgiveness, and the book of John. Get all the details and links to register at www.lighthousehome.org/studies.

Wednesdays at LCC: Something for everybody! Starts at 6pm on September 20. Activities and groups include: Youth Group (6th-12th grade), GLOW (kiddos through 5th grade), Re|Engage (for married couples), and discipleship communities. For all the details and links to register, visit www.lighthousehome.org/wednesday.

Men's Friday Study Group: Men of all ages are invited to join us each Friday for fellowship and Bible study. We meet in Room 322 (Building 2) at noon. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/men to read more and join this group.

Fall Women's Event: All ladies are invited to participate in the Alliance NW Women's fall event, Venture 2023. This gathering brings together women who desire to grow spiritually and connect with others across the Pacific Northwest. 9:00am-3:30pm on Saturday, September 23. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/women for a link to more details and to register.

The Well: This group for young adults (18-25) from all over Pierce County meets on Mondays at 7:00pm in the gym (Building 2). No need to register. Visit www.thewell-lcc.com to read more about The Well.

eNews: Sign up for LCC's weekly eNews. Get special announcements and messages from our pastors and Leadership Team, updates and emergency notices, and a first look at upcoming groups, classes, and events. Visit www.lighthousehome.org/enews to sign up.

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