

# Reading through the NEW TESTAMENT

*at St. Michael*

## Philemon

<sup>1</sup>Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and fellow worker, <sup>2</sup>to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier and to the church that meets in your home:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

### Prayer

Remember me to my God as I remember you.

keep him with me so that he could take his place in helping me while I am in chains for the gospel. <sup>14</sup>But I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that any favor you will do will be spontaneous and not forced. <sup>15</sup>The reason he was separated from me a little while was that you might have him back for good— <sup>16</sup>no longer as a slave but as a dear brother, dearer to me than a slave, as a dear brother. <sup>17</sup>So if you consider



# St. Michael

## Lutheran Church

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS

## WELCOME!

- ❖ **INFORMATION CENTER:** Are you interested in Bible classes, Sunday School, youth activities or our J.O.Y. Group senior adult ministry? Stop by the Information Desk in the lobby—we want to meet and help you.
- ❖ **GUEST and HANDICAP PARKING:** For your convenience, parking is located across from the main church entrance and the west entrance door (4).
- ❖ **AUTOMATIC DOORS:** Two sets of automatic doors are available. One is located on the west entrance door (4) and the other is located on the main doors (2).
- ❖ **LISTENING DEVICES** for those who have difficulty hearing the service are available at the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary.
- ❖ **TODAY'S SERMON IS AVAILABLE ONLINE**, along with prior sermons and Bible studies, at [stmfw.org/sermons](http://stmfw.org/sermons).
- ❖ **ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE** at [stmfw.org/giving](http://stmfw.org/giving).
- ❖ **WE VALUE YOUR ATTENDANCE:** Please complete a connect card or visit [stmfw.org/iamhere](http://stmfw.org/iamhere).

### St. Michael loves new parents and small children!

- ❖ **WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN WORSHIP**, but if you need it, a nursery for children under age 5 is located in Room 24B. Please ask an usher for directions.
- ❖ **THE CRY ROOM** is our lobby. Please pull up a chair so that you may watch and listen to our worship service.
- ❖ **BUDDY BAGS** are available for small children in the lobby. You may pick one up prior to service and return on your way out. Enjoy!
- ❖ **CHANGING TABLES** are located in the family and women's restrooms adjacent to the lobby.
- ❖ **CHILDREN'S CHURCH** is for children 5 and under during the sermon at the 10:45a worship.

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**October 15, 2023**

**PRESERVICE 10:45a**

**ESM Preschool**

**WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES**

**Theme of the Day:** This week's reading takes us from Titus 2 through Hebrews 2, including the whole book of Philemon. Today we will look at Philemon, a book we don't normally spend much time on, and learn what it means to have a heart refreshed in Christ (Philemon 1:20).

**INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (Colossians 3:10-14)**

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Put on the new self,

**C:** **which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.**

**P:** Here there is no Gentile or Jew, slave or free,

**C:** **but Christ in all, and is in all.**

**P:** Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved,

**C:** **clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.**

**P:** Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

**All:** **And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.**

**HYMN**

Thee Will I Love, My Strength My Tower  
(stanza 1-3)

**694**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C:** **But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(silence for personal confession and self-reflection)*

**P:** Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**C:** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**P:** Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. By the authority of Jesus Christ, I announce to you the forgiveness of your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**HYMN** Thee Will I Love, My Strength My Tower **694**  
(stanzas 4-5)

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** O God, You have commanded us to love You above all things and our neighbor as ourselves. Grant us the Spirit to think and do what is pleasing in Your sight knowing Your love is always with us. Help our love for one another never falter as we partner together to share the gospel of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

<b>FIRST READING</b>		<b>Philemon</b>
<b>ANTHEM 8:00a</b> <b>10:45a</b>	On Eagles' Wings Nearer My God to Thee	<b>Women's Choir</b> <b>Woodwind Trio</b>
<b>GOSPEL READING</b>		<b>John 13:3-17</b>

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/CHILDREN'S CHURCH 10:45a**

**HYMN** Love Divine All Loves Excelling **700**  
(stanza 1-4)

**SERMON** "Why Philemon" **Pastor Shawn**  
Philemon 1:20

**NICENE CREED 8:00a/APOSTLES' CREED 10:45a**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY 8:00a  
10:45a**

Shine Jesus Shine  
It Is Well With My Soul

**Women's Choir  
Woodwind Trio**

**LWML MINISTRY MINUTE**

**PRAYERS/THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 8:00a**

**PREFACE/PROPER PREFACE/SANCTUS/WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

**AGNUS DEI**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

I Lay My Sins on Jesus	<b>606</b>
Thy Body Given for Me O Savior	<b>619</b>
Amazing Grace	<b>744</b>
Holy God We Praise Thy Name	<b>940</b>

**POST COMMUNION**

**BENEDICTION**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you, and give you peace.

**C:** Amen.

**HYMN**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is  
(stanzas 1-6)

**709**

**SILENT PRAYER**

Jesus, help us see each other in light of your love and forgiveness as we partner together to share Your Gospel. Amen.

**St. Michael Lutheran Church (LCMS)**

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# Go and Serve | Sign Up Today! November 4 at St. Michael from 9:00a-11:00a

**“You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8** As we look at serving the world around us and being witnesses to Christ’s compassion, we have three unique opportunities to *Bless His World* as we gather at St. Michael on November 4.



## Blessing The World | Globally

Project 216 | Packing Meals

**Signup at [stmfw.org/goandserve](http://stmfw.org/goandserve)**

Project 216 is a non-profit humanitarian food aid organization with the mission to show God’s love by empowering our community to provide highly nutritious food to people suffering from hunger around the world. Our meals are packaged by local volunteers and delivered to those in need with the help of worldwide partners. We need a minimum of 50 volunteers.



## Blessing the World | Nationally

Red Cross | Blood Drive - Sponsored by the Clendenen family

**Sign up at [stmfw.org](http://stmfw.org) and click on the banner (or [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) or call 1-800-red-cross)**



## Blessing the World | Locally

Super Shots Flu Clinic (other adult immunizations available)

**No appointment necessary**, located in the St. Michael Conference Room

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT

St. Michael Lutheran Church  
2131 Getz Road 46804  
STMFW.ORG | 432-2033  
October 14/15, 2023



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## FALL FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL

**Saturday, October 28, 6:30p-8:30p**

You are invited to join us from **6:30p-8:30p in the gym and parking lot** for a night of autumn-inspired activities. Come early for worship at 5:00p and stay for the festivities! With games, hot chocolate bar, dinner, trunk or treat, and plenty of fellowship, this event promises to be a fun-filled evening for all ages. Bring your friends! This is a great opportunity for church members to come together and build relationships with families in our community.

**St. Michael needs YOU!** Contact Jen Clendenen at [Jen@stmfw.org](mailto:Jen@stmfw.org) or 492-2996 to decorate your trunk, help with a game, or serve the meal. Can you donate? We'd welcome peanut-free candy, individually packaged snacks (pretzels, popcorn, fruit snacks), apple cider, hot chocolate, hot dogs and buns, or desserts. Please place them under the lobby shelf or kitchenette refrigerator. Thank you!

## TRUNKS NEEDED AT SHEPHERD'S HAND

**October 28, 10:00a-1:00p**

Are you able to set-up a trunk for this fun Shepherd's Hand event? This is a great opportunity to be a part of helping Shepherd's Hand reach out in the city of Fort Wayne, especially if you are providing a trunk for St. Michael's FALL FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL later that evening. With questions, contact Susan Hein at [heinsd01@frontier.com](mailto:heinsd01@frontier.com).

## **LWML MITE COLLECTION—October 14/15**

Thank you to all who attended the rally! Our special offering today is used for grants, locally, nationally and internationally. In the past 80 years, a total of \$28.9 million has been granted to missions in 83 different countries. God is using us to spread His word and love. Please either give cash or write a check out to the church with “Mite Collection” in the memo. Thank you!

## **CHRISTIAN FOUNDATIONS CLASS (5 sessions)—Luther Hall**

*Sunday, October 15, 22, 29 from 9:30a-10:30a*

**CFC** is a great class for current members as well as anyone who has not been a member at a LCMS Church and is desiring to join membership at St. Michael. Contact Celine at [celine@stmfw.org](mailto:celine@stmfw.org) with questions.

## **DISCIPLESHIP FOUNDATIONS CLASS (3 sessions)**

*Sunday, November 5, 12, 19 from 9:30a-10:30a*

**DFC** is for anyone taking further steps connecting into the church. It includes current members and those joining in membership at St. Michael by transfer from another LCMS church. Contact [celine@stmfw.org](mailto:celine@stmfw.org).

## **FREED FROM DARKNESS MULTI-ARTS RETREAT—October 20/21**

St. Michael is partnering with United Adoration to host a retreat designed for all creative types. At this retreat you will be given the space, the time, and spiritual care while dwelling in Christian community with others which is intended to bring you into collaboration and celebration of your gifts. You don't want to miss out on this powerful time of connection and renewal! If you or someone you know is often designing, crafting, making, writing, or imagining this retreat is for you. All ages and experience levels are encouraged to participate. See Stephanie Maxson for questions or register online at:

<https://unitedadoration.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1758970>

## **GRACE NOTES HANDBELL CHOIR—Mondays from 3:45-4:45p**

We have a beginning handbell choir for children from 3rd - 5th grade. There is no cost and all abilities are welcome. This is a great way to get your child started with a musical instrument. Contact Celine Newman at [celine@stmfw.org](mailto:celine@stmfw.org) for more information.



## **MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH—Sunday, October 15**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS—1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month  
Middle school youth from 4:00-6:00p and High school youth from 6:00-8:00p

### **Parents of Youth Fall Seminars – 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the Month**

Join Celine Newman on the first Sundays of the month this Fall (November 5, December 3) for a parent seminar. Celine will be talking about a variety of subjects focusing on sharing faith with your students. Middle School and High School parents join us from 5:00p-6:00p in Luther Hall.

**High School Youth Fall Field Trip** to the Amazing Acres Farm on October 20 from 5:30p – 9:00p. We will meet at St. Michael and carpool together to the farm. Admission is \$12. If you have any concerns or questions, contact DCE Intern Emma at [emma@stmfw.org](mailto:emma@stmfw.org). SIGN UP by October 19!



## **ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS! CHECK OUT THIS OPPORTUNITY**

Monday, October 16, 5:00p-7:00p (open to public)

Did you know you can continue your Lutheran education after high school, and choose from among universities in California, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, and Wisconsin? Join us at Concordia Lutheran High School in the Worship Conference Center to learn about the many programs and opportunities, and how affordable a Lutheran post-secondary education can be!

## **BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP (BSF) FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-35**

St. Michael is hosting Young Adult BSF on Monday evenings from 6:45p-8:15p in Luther Hall. Visit [join.bsfindernational.org](http://join.bsfindernational.org).

## **REDEMPTION HOUSE UPDATE**

We will provide a meal at Wayne Street on November 5 and Fairfield Avenue on November 12. Contact Candi Luchnenko to provide a dish at 422-2061.

## **THE HANDBELL CHOIRS WANT YOU!**

All abilities are welcome! Contact Celine Newman at [celine@stmfw.org](mailto:celine@stmfw.org) with questions!

## **CONNECT MEAL—Saturday, October 21 after worship**

Email [Celine@stmfw.org](mailto:Celine@stmfw.org) if you can join us at Salvatori's on Illinois Road!

## **THE SHEPHERD’S HAND COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER**

As a St. Michael partner in ministry, Shepherd’s Hand is reaching out in the city by caring for the Shepherd’s people, daring to be the Shepherd’s hands, and sharing the Shepherd’s love. To volunteer, please contact Susan Hein at heinsd01@frontier.com or 418-0725.

## **LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF INDIANA (LSSI)**

Our Sunday School and Bible study offerings for the remainder of 2023 benefit LSSI. The Cup of Kindness Program, through referrals from social-service agencies and Lutheran congregations, offers supportive services through case management, financial-literacy education and/or financial assistance to help families move toward financial stability. Call LSSI Works at 426-3347.

## **J.O.Y. GROUP—Thursday, November 9, Noon in Luther Hall**

We will be celebrating Veteran's Day with a special speaker. Rev. Frese, resident of Fort Wayne, is a military chaplain and also serves the church at large as the Deputy Director for Church Relations for the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod. Rev. Frese will talk about his time as a chaplain in Afghanistan, and now in Fort Wayne. He will talk about how military chaplains provide services to nurture the living, care for the wounded/dying, and honor the dead. We will enjoy a lunch from Mission BBQ. The charge for this event is \$10.00 payable at the door. Reserve your spot by calling Penny Pequignot at 580-8730 no later than November 2.

## **DO YOU LIKE FOOD AND REFRESHMENT?**

We are looking to gather all people who are interested in helping to support and further develop St. Michael's service groups that provide food and refreshments in early November. If you would like to be a part of this conversation, please contact Celine Newman at [celine@stmfw.org](mailto:celine@stmfw.org). "St. Michael is a place where all guests, members, and friends belong. We meet people with Jesus’ grace, respect, and dignity. We offer rest and refreshment in beautiful and safe spaces."

## **WE’RE SO GLAD YOU’RE HERE!**

<b>Attendance:</b>	Saturday, October 7	112
	Sunday, October 8	417
	Sunday Livestream	133

## PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**We are privileged to pray for each other.** Please notify the staff on your connect card or by email if you would like your prayer needs kept private. Otherwise, we will print them in this publication on a weekly basis.

- **October Milestone Birthdays:** Harry Jones, 10/2, 81; Ron Nieman, 10/2, 82; Lynn Schrogam, 10/5, 82; Mary Nichols, 10/7, 87; Linda Lewis, 10/13, 81; Otis Vincent, 10/18, 89; Ken Springer, 10/20, 81; Frank Helfrich, 10/25, 81; Tom Risk, 10/26, 81.
- **Altar Flowers:** Thank you to Pat Armstrong for our altar flowers this weekend in remembrance of October birthdays!
- **Pray for...**
  - The family of Betty Kendall who died Wednesday (further information to follow)
  - Mike Zipse, recovering from shoulder surgery.
  - Don and Kathy Magner, who struggle with health issues and have surgeries in November
  - the Comfort Dog Ministry and those who serve in that ministry
  - those who struggle with mental or physical health issues
  - the family of Mark Mellay, that his family would be reconciled and reunited; blessings of health and wealth to better serve others as envisioned through Christ
  - Continued prayers for Mason Leininger, Beth Ann Hargrove (foot surgery), Kathy Palmreuter's mother, Gary Gotsch, Valerie Hensley, Corbin Lawson (addiction), Mary Collins (brain bleed), Audrey Meyers (pneumonia)

## **SERVING AT ST. MICHAEL this weekend**

Are you able to join a worship service team? Contact Tina Hoover at [tina@stmfw.org](mailto:tina@stmfw.org) or 432-2033.

**Greeters:** Mary and Rich Busch (5p); David and Kathryn Trinklein (8a)  
Lynette Doust; Jan Fillmore (10:45a)

**Lay Readers:** Bruce Schroeder (5p); Lou Ann Presti (8a); Mary Nichols (10:45a)

**Ushers:** Dave and Myra Atkinson (5p); Dave Crow (8a); Dennis Brink; Karen Hall (10:45a)

**Children's Church:** Keri, Emma and Elijah Latin (10:45a)

**Acolytes:** James Sprunger (5p); Delaney Moloney (8a); Riley McNamara (10:45a)

**Information Desk:** Gloria Fahlsing (5p), Terry Hammond (8a), Holly Booth (10:45a)

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK**

### **Monday**

6:45p BSF Young Adults

7:00p Parables of Jesus Adult Bible Study

7:00p Resound Rehearsal (Advanced 8<sup>th</sup> grade to adult)

### **Tuesday**

1:00p J.O.Y. Bible Study with Pastor Bob Bruckner

1:00p PURLS

7:00p Praise Teams Rehearsal

### **Wednesday**

10:30a Men's Bible Study with Larry Wickert

1:30p Praying for Our Nation

6:00p High School Youth at Electric Works

6:30p Men's/Women's Choir

7:00p Adult Choir

### **Thursday**

10:00a Book Club with Camille Blake

6:00p Orchestra Practice

6:15p Puppet Practice

7:00p Jubilant Fields Rehearsal

8:00p Faith and Friends Bible Study

### **Friday**

3:00p United Adoration Multi-Arts Worship

6:00p Small Group Bible Study

8:00p Men's Basketball

### **THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Our Lord invites to His table those who have been baptized, who repent of their sin, who believe Jesus Christ is their Savior, and who believe the body and blood of Jesus is really present together with the bread and wine. Anyone who is not yet instructed in the Christian faith or who has a differing belief are asked to first speak with one of the pastors. If you need communion delivered to where you are sitting, please notify an usher or elder before the service begins. Gluten free communion wafers are available by raising your index finger as communion is distributed signaling to the elder that you wish to receive a prewrapped gluten free wafer. Grape juice is available in the purple tinted cups located in the center of the tray of individual cups. Children or adults who have not yet been confirmed or instructed in the Lord's Supper are welcomed to come forward for a blessing placing their arms over their chest.



## Reading through the New Testament—Week 41

October 15-21

### ***Becoming*** more like Jesus—growing in His Word

#### **Titus**

Excerpt from OliveTree Bible Overview | Titus Introduction:

Written around the same time as 1 Timothy, Paul wrote this letter between AD 62-67. The letter is addressed to Titus, his ministry companion whom he had charged with setting up church leadership on the Mediterranean island of Crete. Paul gives Titus directions for establishing overseers and practical advice for church conduct. Paul focuses on the issues of good works and sound doctrine in Titus, addressing people in the church who were living for personal gain. Paul emphasizes to Titus the importance of living pure Christian lives in the light of God's grace and salvation.

#### **Philemon**

Excerpt from OliveTree Bible Overview | Philemon Introduction:

Philemon is another of Paul's "Prison Epistles" and is written expressly to an individual. Philemon was a Christian in the church at Colossae. Onesimus, a slave of Philemon, had robbed Philemon and run away to Rome, where he evidently met Paul and became a Christian. Paul wrote to Philemon asking him to accept Onesimus back into his household, though not as a slave but as a brother in Christ. Philemon would have been within the law to execute his slave for his actions, but Paul urged him to forgive Onesimus. Philemon is a message of reconciliation not just for Philemon and Onesimus, but for all Christians, whether Jew or Gentile, slave or free.

#### Historical Context






A city in the Roman province of Asia (modern-day Turkey), Colossae was located along the Lycus River just east of Ephesus, about 10 miles from Laodicea, and 14 miles from Hierapolis. At the time of Paul, the area was thick with mysticism, idol worship and high-influence oriental religions. The people worshipped angels and esteemed asceticism, adding unnecessary practices to faith in Christ.

Paul likely did not visit the city, since he says that the churches of Colossae and Laodicea had not seen him "face to face" (Col. 2:1). The church may have instead started through the evangelism of Epaphras, who came to Paul from Colossae.

Check out the Bible Project Vides @ [bibleproject.com/explore/book-overviews](https://bibleproject.com/explore/book-overviews). Titus | Philemon | Hebrews

## New Testament in a Year—October 15-21

Titus /Philemon/Hebrews

Chapter 2  3  1  1  2 

### **Additional Reflections** from this week's reading

Titus: The book of Titus was written as an encouragement. In light of this, where do you see the book:

Philemon: See sermon notes. What out of the book of Philemon connects into your life:

Hebrews: The letter to the Hebrews was written to encourage Christians in a time of trial. It does so by focusing on the absolute supremacy and sufficiency of Jesus Christ. What in the first two chapters in Hebrews connects into your life:

### ***Blessing*** the World

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...* Matthew 28:19

During the winter months it can be hard to get to know your neighbors but if you look for the strengths of your community you can find ways. Do you have a library, grocery store, or restaurant that you routinely visit? How is that an asset to your community? And how can you get to know people in those places this winter? Write down your answers and be intentional as the weather changes.

## ***Belonging*** in Community

Connect Groups are a group of Christians who meet together regularly where we intentionally share in our faith walk. Connection is created through commitment and presence in fellowship, discussion, and prayer.

- Begin your time together by following up on anything that was shared during your last time together.
- Take some time to share any reflections or aha's you had from your readings.

Eating a meal together was an integral part of the fellowship of the early church. This practice of sharing time, space, and food is more than a metaphor; it is a continuation of the way Jesus lived in this world. Can you recall stories where Jesus was sharing a meal with someone? Eating meals together is a means to deep connection and belonging. Yet this practice is becoming increasingly less common in our daily lives.

What does sitting down for a meal look like in your life? (who cooks, how often, who is at the table...)

Jesus not only sat down and had meals with people, scripture is intentional in showing us who Jesus ate with. Can you recall what type of people and who Jesus is recorded having meals with? It is likely you will say, "sinners and tax collectors." (Matthew 9:11) You would not be wrong, however try to dig a little deeper and see if you can recall any of those specific stories. (If you want to read a couple you can look at Mark 2:15, Luke 5:29, or Luke 19)

How is this countercultural even in today's practices?

Is it realistic for us to invite a community of "sinners and tax collectors" to sit down with us?

What could that look like in...

Our church?

Your home?

As you talk, take a moment to make this more than a discussion. What are one or two action steps you can take to invite someone to your table?

Close in Prayer

# THIS WEEKEND'S SERMON OUTLINE

## Philemon

### Why, Philemon:

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### So what connects into our context:

T \_\_\_\_\_

Philemon 1:4-5

I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers, because I hear about your love for all his holy people and your faith in the Lord Jesus.

R \_\_\_\_\_

Philemon 1:15-16

Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back forever— no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a fellow man and as a brother in the Lord.

P \_\_\_\_\_ | K \_\_\_\_\_

Philemon 1:17

So if you consider me a partner, welcome him as you would welcome me.

### Now what are being asked to do?

- How do we view each other?

- Koinonia

- R \_\_\_\_\_ m\_\_ h \_\_\_\_\_ in C \_\_\_\_\_!

Philemon 1:20

I do wish, brother, that I may have some benefit from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in Christ.