

In Our Prayers...

**Requester's name is in parentheses*

John Philips Family (Kenny Sutherlin) – Mr. Philips passed away unexpectedly recently.

Cailin Porter (Larry McKesson) – Mr. Porter was severely injured in a motorcycle accident. He is an electrician from Bayfield. He is suffering bone infection.

Bobby Arnett (Debbie Sutherlin) – Bobby fell from a roof, breaking his wrists and an arm. He may need surgery. He lives in Ruidoso.

Miriam Nij (Larry McKesson) – The McKesson's neighbor continues to live with her daughter due to ongoing health troubles.

Jeff Hopkins (Sandy Hopkins) – Jeff recovering well at home following recent back surgery.

Dennis Dahlke (Larry McKesson) – Dennis has been having a struggle to get the right hearing aids, as well as a few other troubles.

Ongoing Health Concerns — Jeanie Mooring; Judy at Needham Elementary; Bill Himes; David Frederick; Rick Hales; Scarlett Siner; Jan McKesson; Bill Harrell; Joe Shattuck; Josh Martin; Karen Crowson; Terry Wells.

Announcements

April Pot Luck Our monthly potluck fellowship is coming up next Sunday, April 26th. Please make plans to stay after worship and join in the feast.

Work Day We are having a work day Saturday, Saturday, May 9th we'll have breakfast at 8am and a brief business meeting. Then we will work on painting the exterior of the education building.

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Service Times

Bible Study
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday 7p.m.

Worship
Sunday 10:20 a.m.



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Dominos Evangelism

By Tim Alsup*

While pizza is a great way to create occasions for spiritual conversations, “dominos evangelism” is not about pizza parties. Instead, it’s a way of understanding the process of evangelism in the U.S. in 2026. It takes time. Often, multiple evangelists over the course of multiple moments are required before a person is ready to decide to follow Jesus. Like a line of dominos, one thing leads to the next. Each of us hopes to have a chance to help the next domino fall in that person’s journey to becoming a Christian.

Consequently, evangelism is not trying to figure out how to convert a lost soul in a handful of Bible studies or all in one powerful meeting. Rather, it is to ask, “What is the next step that will bring this person closer to Christ?”

For example, imagine a non-Christian adult in America like a large (and growing) minority of Americans. This person rarely went to church growing up, has little Bible

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knowledge and no strong Christians among family or friends. Media exposure over the years has made Christianity seem strange and possibly dangerous, and most Christians are hypocrites at best. They might even be a little insane.

Here are some potential “dominos” that might need to fall for such a person to eventually become a Christian:

- Meet someone who is a genuine Christian and experience that they are a “real person.”
- Have several faith conversations with that person, and perhaps another Christian, and experience that Christianity is a strength to people and that it blesses their lives.
- Be invited to church services and events – probably multiple times at appropriate intervals – before agreeing to come.
- Be told by Christians that they are praying for this person.
- See Christians doing good for others, proving their faith is selfless and not just in their heads.
- Experience the pain that a sinful life brings.
- Engage in honest conversations about questions and doubts, seeing that God has not given every answer but God is the answer.
- Experience the grace and love of God in the kindness and patience from Christians who witness ungodliness and imperfection.

There are certainly many more. This list is a few to give you the idea.

So, we might not be able to knock down every domino. But here is the good news: God works in people’s lives over time. God is overseeing the process of knocking down all of the dominos. We just need to be faithful to do what we can when it is our turn to make the next one fall.

*Adapted from Tim Alsup, *How Do You Share the Gospel in Our Culture: Important Principles Every Christian Should Know*. Arlington, TN: Cross-Shaped Publishing. 2025. Pages 66-68.

Sermon Notes

The Eternity of God's Promises Today

Hebrews 13:20-21

- “Eternal” means “throughout the”
Something that is already

1) The living Jesus us today.

2) The blood of Jesus us today.

3) The word of Jesus us today.

Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

April 20	Mon	1 Kings 18 – 21
April 21	Tue	1 Kings 22 – 2 Kings 3
April 22	Wed	2 Kings 4 – 7
April 23	Thur	2 Kings 8 – 11
April 24	Fri	2 Kings 12 – 15