

Open It!

What's the best partnership you have ever been apart of in your life so far? What made it so good?

Read It!

Philippians 1:1-11.

Consider It!

Why is Paul grateful and joyful when he remembers the believers in Philippi (1:3-4)?

Who partnered with Paul during his first days in the city of Philippi (Acts 16:11-15)? What was shared with Paul? How was the ministry of the gospel advanced by this kindness?

What might showing hospitality to a missionary look like today?

What help did the Philippians provide Paul while he was imprisoned in Rome (Acts 2:25)?

Have you ever been part of a short-term mission team? Who did you come alongside? How did your team effort advance the ministry of the gospel?

How else did the Philippians share in Paul's ministry of the gospel (4:10-19)?

What is something that every one of us can do to partner with our missionaries in the ministry of the gospel (1:19; Ephesians 6:18-20)?

What is Paul confident of on behalf of the church (1:6)? Can we share in the hope of this promise? Why, or why not?

How does Paul pray for the believers in Philippi (1:9-11)?

Live It!

See My Next Steps on the inside.

Life Is Better Together

Partnering Together

Philippians 1:3-6

Sunday, October 12, 2025

I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:3-6 (NIV)

Sermon Question

What does a partnership in the gospel look like?

The Church at Philippi provides us an example to follow.

Showing _____ is a MEANS of Sharing in the Ministry of the Gospel.

The Lord opened her [Lydia's] heart to respond to Paul's message. ¹⁵ When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us.

Acts 16:14-15 (NIV)

Sending _____ is a MEANS of Sharing in the Ministry of the Gospel.

But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, co-worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs.

Philippians 2:25 (NIV)

_____ **Support** is a MEANS of Sharing in the Ministry of the Gospel.

I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God.

Philippians 4:18 (NIV)

_____ **Prayer** is a MEANS of Sharing in the Ministry of the Gospel.

¹⁹ for ***I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.***

Philippians 1:19 (NIV)

My Next Step Is To:

- ☐ Show hospitality to one of our missionaries when they are on home assignment. Let the World Outreach Team know that you are available to help.
- ☐ Serve one of our missionaries on a short-term assignment. Let the World Outreach Team or Mid-west Men's Mission Team know you would like to be part of a future trip.
- ☐ Receive ministry updates from one or more of our missionaries for the purpose of prayer. Pick up a CLCBC Prayer Card for our missionaries.
- ☐ Support a missionary financially.