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Sunday School is the Reaching, Connecting, Caring arm of our church.

I want each of us commit to being a part of a Sunday School Class this fall.

Rick Warren writes, *"We are created for community, fashioned for fellowship, and formed for a family, and none of us can fulfill God's purpose by ourselves".*

"Now you are no longer strangers to God... but you are members of God's very own family".
Ephesians 2:19 (TLB)

Consider three wonderful benefits to connecting and belonging to a Sunday School class.

1.) We receive accountability to move us out of self-centered isolation to true Fellowship!

We are created by God to experience life together, with one another! Over 50 times in the New Testament we are commanded to do different things with "one another" and for "each other". John 15:12-14 - Jesus commands us to *"Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."* NIV

True fellowship means making connections that really count! Connections take commitment and devotion. In this fellowship we learn and grow in the Lord.

Through Following God's design for connecting and belonging:

2.) We know the blessing and privilege of contributing something of worth to others.

"The Holy Spirit displays God's power through each of us as a means of helping the entire church." 1 Cor 12:6-7 TLB

God has gifted you to be a blessing to others in His forever family. In a class of other adults, that gift is exercised and used to bless and grow other believers. Exercising our gifts to others is one of God's greatest blessings!

Through Following God's design for connecting and belonging:

3.) We experience the protection and help we need for growing spiritually.

"each part in its own special way helps the other parts, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love. (Eph. 4:16 TLB)

The Truth is we need each other! As we meet together, we receive protection and wise counsel from our brothers and sisters. When the rainy days come, the storms generally are not as dark and scary when you are walking hand and hand with others that love us.

I read a story some years ago about some workers at a plant who found a fellow worker deceased at his desk one day at work. That was not the saddest part of the story. They found that this co-worker had been deceased for five days and no one had even noticed!

Who notices you every day and takes an interest in you?! That's exactly why I want to INVITE YOU to come join with us at Faith Fellowship. I want us all to be noticed and cared for. Every time we gather, we consider one another and YOU! The tool that can make this happen is Sunday School. Join us on Sundays at 9:30AM.

PS: IF you sincerely can't make it on Sundays, lets find another time when some others folks can meet with you. We want to help facilitate this in happening.

I hope to see you this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. as we continue our study of Colossians building on the theme - "***It's all about Jesus***". I invite you to join us.

Expectantly,
Pastor Garry

*"We are a **faith fellowship** of believers on our journey **together** with our Lord... meeting needs, mending hearts."*