

CONNECTION POINT

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WE ARE COMMITTED TO FOLLOWING GOD TOGETHER
CONNECTED WITH HIM, COMMITTED TO EACH OTHER
AND PARTICIPATING IN HIS LIFE TOGETHER

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Healing Jesus

You've heard that Jesus will be in town today, so you go to the town square anticipating His arrival. You know He's been through here before, and every time you know of, He came down the main street and passed through the central intersection.

You've heard about many things He's said and done, but have declined invitations to check Him out before, uncertain about what impact it may have on you. And yet... your curiosity persists, and you're going to take a look from within the crowd... see what happens. If it's a dud, or in any way seems likely to be intrusive or uncomfortable, you'll just leave and no one will even know.

There's a pretty good crowd waiting when you get there, so it's easy to blend in without being noticed. Then... a few blocks down the street the people gathered begin to bustle with energy that ripples your way before you're able to get sight of Him. There's a core of people at the center of activity moving your way, and you edge closer to the middle of the street. Then He comes into view.

This is not what you expected, it's such a stunning discrepancy. He's limping along in a halting sort of shuffle, as though his hip is dislocated. The hand He's holding His staff with is so deformed by



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have a need.
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arthritis it must be painful. His clothes and His hair are dirty, there are sores on His feet, and those who appear to be His associates don't look very happy at all as they glance, with what might be suspicion, occasionally into the crowd. They don't seem very friendly or inviting.

You hadn't realized before how hopeful you'd been until the hope in your heart begins to fade. What is this? It doesn't add up.

*Jesus prayed passionately in **John 17:20-23** that those who believe in Him would all be one together, just as He and The Father are one, with He and The Father. He said the greatest thing expected of His followers is that we would love God completely, with all we have and all we are: our passions, emotions, thoughts and efforts. Then He commanded us to love each other in the same way He loves us, **John 13:34**.*

*In **I Corinthians 12:1-27** the many congregations, of all of the believers in a very large city are described as the many various members of His own body – eyes, ears, hands, nose, feet and organs – operating in perfect harmony with each other.*

Based upon how we actually live with each other in our community, how does the world around us see us as His Body? Are we the fluid, smooth, beautiful, concerted oneness that Jesus certainly is? Or are we displayed as the disjointed and disconcerted, sometimes hindering, rather than assisting and helpful to each other, members of His body – ignoring each other at best?

If we all together, don't look and act like Jesus to the world around us – what should we do about it? What would we do if it were our body? We would get the affliction diagnosed and do what we can to obtain healing, including joint replacement if needed.

***Ephesians 4:11-16** speaks to that prospect very clearly. What others are doing is not our primary concern. Rather, how can we express ourselves in service to them that may empower us both to serve together well for His glory.*

*If we believe Him, and actively reach for more of what He offers us (**Philippians 3:12-16**) He will do His part and empower us in ways we have not yet seen. There is no good reason not to.*

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WOMENS' BRUNCH

Valentine Potluck Brunch

for the PCF Ladies.
Come and Share the Love!!

10:30am on Saturday,

February 15th. We are brunching at Wendy Pierson's 10720 Bethel Burley Rd . Hope to See You All there!!

Questions or Concerns:

Call Diane 253 970-1568 or Wendy 253 514-1082



Women's Prayer Group

Join other women of PCF in prayer
6:30-8pm on the first and third Monday nights of every month. The group meets at Diane's home.

Contact Diane Smith (253-970-1568) for additional information.



Life GROUPS

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

Life Group Schedule

Be sure to check with group leaders regarding holiday schedules.

Key Peninsula Leaders: Jason & Trish Weron

Wednesday 6:45-8:15pm - Childcare Provided

Gig Harbor/Downtown Leaders: Tom & Christine Bender

Wednesday 6:30-8pm

Tacoma Leaders: Peter & Betsy Smith

Wednesdays 6:30-8pm

Gig Harbor Leaders: Ted and Diane Wilder

Thursdays 7:00-8:30pm

Olalla Leaders: Tom and Laurel Fisher

Thursdays 6:30-8pm

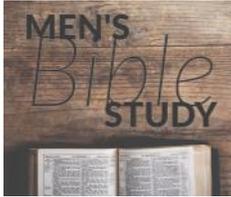
Gig Harbor Leaders: Dennis and Aileen Amico

Fridays 6:30-8:30pm



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men's Breakfast
Saturday
February 29th at
8am in the SMB.
Questions see
Tom Bender or
Eric Noble.



MEN'S Bible STUDY

Men's Bible Study

Saturday Mornings:

Leader: Peter Smith

When: 2nd and 4th Saturday
at 8:30am

Where: Conference Room

Studying: Ephesians

RSVP to Peter - peterandbetsys@live.com



SOULFIRE

Soulfire will be taking a break for the months of January and February. Please contact Charles or April Wilder if you have any questions.

We look forward to starting back up after our break.

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February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 10am Worship	3 6:30-8pm Women's Prayer Group	4 PCF Office by Appt	5 Life Groups	6 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	7 Life Groups PCF Office Closed	8 
9 10am Worship	10	11 PCF Office by Appt	12 Life Groups	13 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	14 Life Groups PCF Office Closed <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15 10:30am Women's Brunch 
16 10am Worship	17 6:30-8pm Women's Prayer Group PCF Office Closed 	18 PCF Office by Appt	19 Life Groups	20 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	21 Life Groups PCF Office Closed	22 
23 10am Worship	24	25 PCF Office by Appt	26 Life Groups	27 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	28 Life Groups PCF Office Closed	29 8am Men's Breakfast 



Take a look at the new missions board in the East hallway! Newsletters can now be found here for all of our PCF supported missionaries. As we get updates they will be posted here. If you would like to get updates yourself, information regarding contact for each missionary can also be found on the board. For additional missions information email missions@welcometopcf.org

Anniversaries & Birthdays

1-Heidi Smith
2-Laura Lease
3-Arlene Plant
6-Trish Pierson
8-Charles and April Wilder, 2003
9-Ashley Field
11-Tammi Burt

14-Asher Leacy
16-Lori Fairbanks, Eliana Leacy
19-Heather Leacy
19-Ted and Diane Wilder, 1965
22-Peggy Hobbs
27-Bruce Young