



NEW TESTAMENT POSTCARDS
Resolving Relational Issues God's Way
Philemon verses 8-16 • Message #9

1. Intro:

2. We resolve relational issues by _____ to
the heart (8—10)

A. Our appeal must be grounded in Christ's love. (8—9)

B. Our appeal does not abandon authority. (9, 17—22)

C. Our appeal includes persuasion. (8, 10, 11, 12)

3. We resolve relational issues by _____ for
consent rather than constraint. (11—14)

A. We must be willing to sacrifice our desires for their benefit.
(11—14a)

B. We must aim for loving consent rather than forced
constraint. (14b)

4. We resolve relational issues by _____
God's providence in the relationship. (15—16)

A. God accomplishes _____ through _____ actions:
"For perhaps, this is the reason he was parted from you" (15).

B. God has _____ purposes for this relationship:
"that you might have him back forever" (15).

C. God can _____ the gospel through this relation-
ship: "Beloved brother" (16)

5. Conclusion:

Coming Up

June 21 – Philemon verses 17-25, Pastor Anthony

June 28 – Jude verses 1-2, Pastor Fred

Just a Moment

with Pastor Fred

Our daughter, Trisha recently wrote online regarding their special needs daughter Eliana. I quote her.

"Like many others, I saw the viral story of a couple who chose to terminate a pregnancy after receiving a diagnosis of Down Syndrome. As the parent of a child with special needs, I felt a pit in my stomach when I read this. The truth is, raising a child with special needs is hard. There have been tears, fears, heartbreak, and challenges I never expected. There are days when the weight feels overwhelming. But the "hard" of raising Eliana has also been one of the greatest blessings of our lives.

Because of Eliana, our family is more patient, more compassionate, and more grateful. She has taught us lessons we could not have learned any other way. We are better because of her, not in spite of her.

Our culture tells us to avoid hard things. Yet some of God's greatest work happens through the very circumstances we would never choose for ourselves. Time and again, He brings beauty from difficulty. Before judging this couple, I would challenge us all to look inward. What hard thing are you running from? Is it possible that God wants to use that very thing to bless you beyond imagination?

I do not agree with the decision they made. I believe every life has value, including the life of this unborn child. But I also believe those parents have value. I believe they need prayer, and I believe in a God whose mercy is greater than our failures."



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*Magnify
the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his
name together!*

PSALM 34:3

Prelude

Call to Worship

*He Will Be
God of Every Grace*

Missions Moment

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Scripture Reading & Pastoral Prayer

Resolving Relational Issues God's Way
Pastor Anthony Lange

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Benediction
Prayer Team

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THE LORD’S DAY
June 14, 2026

Corporate worship is designed to give us eyes to see God’s glory and grace that changes our hearts and transforms our living.

Philosophy of Worship

We commit to excellence in whatever we do because God is worthy of our best. Eph. 4:32

Nursery Schedule

Worship Service

Nursery: Claira Cecil & Amy DeMass
Toddler: Colleen Peck, Ava Elliot, & Hallie Myers

Today

10:00am Coffee & Fellowship
10:30am Worship

Wednesday, June 17

10:30am Senior Saints Bible Study
7:00pm Praise Team

Thursday, June 18

9:30am Widows’ Brunch @ Froman’s

Announcements

Summer Administrative Assistant. Amanda Wilson is filling in over the summer for Mary Hayes in the office. Amanda’s hours are Monday through Wednesday from 9am till 3pm; Thursday from 9am till noon. Office is closed Fridays. If you wish something to appear in the bulletin, the office needs it by Wednesday.

A Widows’ Brunch will be hosted by the Fromans in their home this Thursday at 9:30am. Please sign up to attend on the table in the foyer.

Spanish American Missions executive director Doug Bytwerk will be our guest reporting on SAM on Sunday, June 28.

Annual Church Family Picnic will be on Sunday, July 5 after the morning service. Lord willing, we will conduct the service outside on the Auburn property along with the picnic. Please sign up to bring a dish to share on the table in the foyer. The church will provide burgers and hot dogs.

Greeter’s Next Sunday

Barb Howell
Jim Rizzardi

Guest Services

Today: Dan Cecil
Next Sunday: Jan Peck

Mission Furlough Updates:
Mike and Linda Petkof left Greece on Monday, June 1 for the USA . Josh and Carissa Bell, our missionaries to Senegal, will fly to the states on furlough June 26-27. Ryan and Abigail deRoos will travel to Arkansas to visit family this week.

CEF Backyard Bible Club
July 20-24 on the Auburn property
10:30am - 12:00pm
See Cindy Price for more details

Sunday School /
Adult Bible Fellowship
Summer Recess

Classes resume
September 13.

Mowing This Week

Chris Hosler
Jan Peck

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joan Allen June 15
Dave Murray June 18

ANNIVERSARY

Dave & Jan Santos June 18

Prayer Requests

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:2

General Requests

- Josh & Carissa Bell - Senegal
- deRoos & Petkof on furlough
- The Clark family
- Counseling Ministry - certification & weekly appointments
- For HBC to grow deeper spiritually / to reach out to others
- Langes – Praise! Closing July 1

Physical Needs

- Amber Breinling (Lois Martin’s niece) - at home, chemotherapy
- Gina Golden - diabetic & kidney issues
- Kara deRoos (Ryan’s mother) - chemotherapy
- Kathy Lange (Anthony’s mother) - cancer recovery
- Nic Martin - pain management injections at UMH Sparrow
- Madge Bisel (Susan Elliot’s mother) - recovering after a fall

Prayer of Comfort II Corinthians 1:3-5

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ.

Mission Focus of the Week

CEF, 5-Day Club

Prayer For Our Government Officials

Speaker of the House, Mike Johnson

Prayer Family of the Week

Andrew and Hallie Myers

Shut in of the Week

Bille Collins

“The music must not turn the church into an audience enjoying the music, but into a congregation singing the Lord’s praises in His presence.” – John Calvin