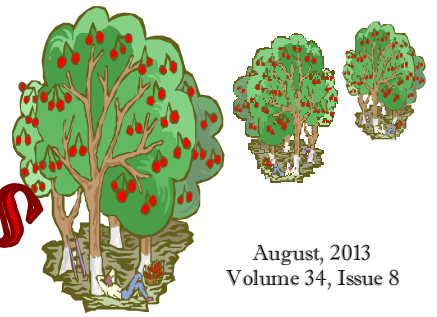




Emra Expressions



Connected With God

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One of our favorite ministry activities is showing people how to connect with God. Yes, we still teach organizations, Churches and individuals how to start after-school programs, and how to work with children and youth. BUT we also spend time showing people how to connect with God.

Let me tell you a story.

In June of 2012, John and Sally Childress sold everything they had, moved here to live with us, and began the full time journey of raising support to be missionaries with Life Is Full Of Choices (LIFOC).

Together we have lived in community where God has shaped and molded all four of us – together and individually.

One day during a “table talk” (what we call staff meeting), we found ourselves at an impasse trying to create a new purpose statement for LIFOC. After spending over an hour in deep discussion of our values and goals we found ourselves locked in confusion and disagreement.

After taking a short break we came back together and John (Emra) said, “Let’s connect to God and ask Him, ‘What do You want us to know about this?’” We all bowed our heads and began by appreciating what God had been doing in our lives, then we connected to God and asked Him the question. This took about five minutes.

As we shared what God said, it became a WOW moment. We discovered that God had given each of us a deep impression of His peace and direction for the ministry. It was a miracle that after spending so much time in discussion we came to consensus after spending just a little time connected with God. This is just one example of Him providing peace and insight when we connect with Him!

God provided the wording to go from the old purpose statement:

“Equipping people to see their future through today’s choices.”

To the new one that now says:

Life Is Full Of Choices is a Christ centered organization.

We provide hope by challenging people to:

- **Connect with God**
- **Choose to make wise choices**
- **Encourage others to do the same**

We are at least as excited to see God opening doors for John and Sally Childress as we are about the open doors for us into new Churches and schools. God is good!

Thank you for your prayers. YOU ARE making a difference in our lives as well as in those to whom we minister.

Sincerely,

for John and Sheryl Emra

Answered Prayer

Our recent trip to Texas went well in spite of the Parenting Seminar being cancelled. We were able to connect with a lady who is working to get us into the PTA both regionally and at the State level.

God is blessing our trip to China. We have raised about 3/4 of what we need.

Prayer Requests

Our Fall schedule is pretty well set. We are now looking at January - March and beyond. Pray that God will be glorified as we work to fill up these dates.

Your choice to pray is vital as we continue to raise support to go to China.

God is on the throne and we need to connect with Him in order to see the world as He does.