

# Emra Expressions



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## A Single Step...

how most long journeys begin

The first step was Oregon City Evangelical Church suggesting we talk with the Oregon City Public School District about participating in their annual Public School Parenting Program.

That step led us to talk to the public school. I told them we needed two sessions to present the information in our *Foundational Principles of Family Peace Seminar*. We worked out the details and showed up on the morning of the event and found out that we had 75 people signed up for our firsts seminar and 65 for our second. With about 200 people there for the day and 20 presenters leading seminars we figured out that we had about a third of the people in the our sessions.



I would love to tell you that the people came because we are such good speakers. I think the reality is that there is a tremendous hunger within parents for direction, for reasonable answers to difficult questions and for help to establish peace in their homes.

In the first session we dealt with the "Four Core Needs of Kids". In the second we introduced "Connecting with God" and presented "The Three Cornerstones of Life Is Full Of Choices" the use of which will point their kids to a responsible adulthood.

This single step has been unique. This is the first time we have been allowed into a public school.

Thank you for your prayers and your financial support.

In His grip,

*John*

for John and Sheryl Emra

### Answered Prayer

*We had a great four weeks in Oregon and Washington. It was a humbling experience to receive the Medallion Award from Seattle Pacific University. Equally humbling that someone felt led to nominate us.*

*Much of our family attended, including Brian from Portland and Paul and Katie with Liam and David from Texas.*

*We greatly appreciate the sacrifices that everyone made to be in attendance.*

### Prayer Requests

*We are in discussions with another Mission Organization who would like us to come to China this fall and train a group of youth workers.*

*They are also talking about the need to translate Cornerstones and Core Needs of Growing Kids into Chinese.*

*Pray that the truths represented within that first book would translate well into Chinese.*