

July 23 | Prayer Meeting
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“Because God loves the Word” based on John 3:16

- o This verse is as familiar as the morning coffee pot.
- o We are all contented of our future for “He loves us”; yet can we internalize this verse, and not forget those who are lost.
- o It is a great tragedy that we do not share the gospel, i.e. not one program in the church bulletin calling us to take the gospel outside of the church.
- o “Any” means everyone. God cares about sinners, see Peter 3:9. How do they know repentance if we do not tell them? Even Jesus sup with sinners and publicans. He asks us to go the highways and byways of life.
- o The gates of heaven are always open to those who believe. Jesus tells us to take the gospel to all of the world. Mark 6:15. Is it easier & more comfortable if people come into the Church. But Jesus mandates us to go.
- o Will we step outside of the comfort zone to save someone from hell. Rev. 20:15
- o Foremost to the good news (gospel) is because of the bad news (hell, damnation from God)
- o How do we share the gospel in the work place? Tell them about a church event, Sunday worship, return from retreat.
- o State disallows religious symbols displayed in a workplace, making others uncomfortable.
- o Overt and Covert witnessing:
- o Noon time Bible study
- o Four nurses get together to pray
- o Important to abide by company policy; but God gives us wisdom and creativity.
- o Travel time with colleagues
- o Christian Media like Showers of Blessing
- o Whether we will step out of comfort zone depends how excited we are about the gospel.
- o There are persecutions and hardship in all generations. Thank God America after-all is still free and rooted in Christian legacy.
- o God can turn a tragedy to blessing. The June 4th movement did not overturn the Chinese Communist Party; but a number of dissenters become Christian and greatly used by God in witnessing to other intellectuals after China opened the door.