THIS IS COMPASSION

"Life Transforming Connection" 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

September 4 & 7, 2016: David Allgire – Regional Campus Pastor/Director

God's plans to heal, bless, and use your life, are dependent on whether or not you become <u>connected</u> in relationships to the Body of Believers.

I. There are no exceptions- God designed your life and your life's mission to <u>only</u> thrive spiritually together and not alone.

When you look at how God accomplishes His will it's almost always accomplished by doing it <u>together</u> and in relationships.

II. When you put your faith in Jesus you are permanently <u>changed</u> in several ways.

Permanent changes that happen to you when you put your faith in Jesus:

- 1. Your sins are <u>permanently</u> forgiven. 2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV
- 2. The spirit of God comes to permanently <u>dwell</u> in you. We were all given the one Spirit to drink. *1 Corinthians 6:*19
- 3. You become a permanent <u>body part</u> of the Body of Christ.

When a believer (a body part) isn't engaged in the body, it <u>burdens</u> the body.

Take <u>one</u> step in obedience toward God and God takes a bigger step toward you.

"Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you." James 4:8

"Relationships are far and away the strongest predictor of life satisfaction...The conclusion of the study...is that <u>connection</u> is the whole shooting match."

George Valiant, Harvard psychiatrist,
Director of the Harvard Grant Study 1972-2004

Ministry Opportunities

For the full list of upcoming events, visit CompassionChristian.com/events.

Kairos Course

Thursday Sept. 8 - Sunday, Sept. 18

Room 204, Henderson Campus

This nine-session, interactive course gives you the opportunity to learn about God's heart and vision for world missions and identify how you can get involved. Pick up a flyer with more information at Connecting Point. Register at CompassionChristian.com by Sunday, Sept. 4, and bring \$40 to the first class to cover the course materials.

Love One Heart Gallery

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10

The Link across the Lake

If you have a heart for children in foster care, come to this photo gallery event that showcases children who want to find a forever-family. You'll learn how to get involved in foster care and explore the possibilities of adoption. Email love1ministry@gmail.com or visit HeartGalleryOfAmerica.org for information.

Savannah United in Prayer

4 - 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11

Forsyth Park Band Stand

Join with churches from across Savannah for this interdenominational prayer event led by a team of local pastors to pray for our city. We'll ask God to bring hope and healing to the lost and hurting in Savannah and pray in faith that more people would come to know Him.

Here's My Story

9 a.m. - noon, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 14 and 15

Room 203

This two-day event for anyone aged 65 and over is an opportunity to share your life story with others of a similar life stage. Join us for two mornings of fellowship, worship and sharing. Coffee and donuts will be provided. If you plan to attend, sign up at Connecting Point or CompassionChristian.com by Monday, Sept. 12. We also invite you to join us for a Dutch lunch at Macaroni Grill 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15.