Missions Emphasis

Participation in the Gospel
Part 1

Associate Pastor Aaron Osborne — Reston Bible Church — Sunday, November 1, 2026

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now.

Philippians 1:3-5 NASB


Atlantic Ocean
GALLIA
ITALIA
Rome
Philippi
Black Sea
MACEDONIA
HISPANIA
ASIA
GALATIA
ACHAIA
Carthage
Athens
Ephesus
Antioch
Mediterranean Sea
SYRIA
Jerusalem
AFRICA
CYRENAICA
Alexandria
AEGYPTUS

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you...

Philippians 1:3 ESV

1. Healthy Participation Yields Deep Relationships

It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:7-8 ESV

2. Healthy Participation Focuses On Prayer

And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ...

Philippians 1:9-10 ESV

3. Healthy Participation Rejoices With One Another

Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Philippians 2:17-18 ESV


ASIA
EUROPE
Kyrgyzstan
CHINA
MIDDLE EAST
INDIA
AFRICA
Indian Ocean

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4. Healthy Participation Gives Honor

So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

Philippians 2:29-30 ESV

5. Healthy Participation Requires Me To Be Healthy

Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

Philippians 4:1 ESV

Healthy Participation

1. Yields deep relationships
2. Focuses on prayer
3. Rejoices with one another
4. Gives honor
5. Requires me to be healthy

How is our participation in the Gospel?

If I am healthy with the Lord, I will…

1. Give honor where it is due
2. Rejoice in the victories of Christ
3. Pray earnestly for others

which will form deep relationships.

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Serving in Chad





Pray For

1. Encouragement and perseverance for those carrying the load in Chad, and how we walk alongside and support them from afar.

2. Discernment and initiative for Sally to model and build solid, sound, and reproducible home-church groups among the new Jesus followers in 7 surrounding villages.

Pray For

3. Continued, daily pressing into the Presence of the Lord as we seek His desires for us daily, individually, and in the big picture; especially as we care for our family.