

**Bringing Good News**  
**Part 3: Our Partners | Various Passages**  
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*God gives us the local church as partners  
 to bring the good news of Jesus to others.*

**I. We support one another to share the gospel outside the church**

**Ephesians 6:19-20 (NIV)**

<sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel,

<sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

**Colossians 4:3-4 (NIV)**

<sup>3</sup> And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains.

<sup>4</sup> Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.

**II. We showcase the gospel together as the church**

**1 Thessalonians 1:5; 2:8-10 (NIV)**

... <sup>5</sup>You know how **we** lived among you for your sake... <sup>8</sup>Because **we** loved you so much, **we** were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but **our** lives as well.

<sup>9</sup>Surely you remember, brothers and sisters, **our** toil and hardship; **we** worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while **we** preached the gospel of God to you.

<sup>10</sup>You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless **we** were among you who believed.

**Ephesians 3:10-12 (ESV)**

<sup>10</sup>so that **through the church** the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. <sup>11</sup>This was **according to the eternal purpose** that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup>in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

**Life Application**

1. Support one another to share the gospel outside the church:
  1. Ask and share with one another.
  2. Ask and pray with one another.
  3. Ask and learn from one another.
2. Showcase the gospel together as the church:
  1. Invite church members to hangouts with your non-Christian friends, and vice versa.
  2. Invite church members to partner with you in missional initiatives.
  3. Invite your non-Christian friends to church gatherings.