



Faith Connections

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Our Mission: Bringing together an ecumenical coalition of Quad City area churches to help feed the hungry, offer emergency assistance to those in crisis, and provide a transitional housing program for women and children who are victims of domestic violence or human trafficking.

Together We Are Better: Our Constant for 2022



One of my biblical heroes is Joshua. Moses, that towering figure who had led Israel for 40 years, was dead. Now his assistant had to step into Moses' giant sandals and assume leadership in the most precarious and unsettling of times. Israel was about to cross the Jordan River at flood stage and attack the heavily fortified city of Jericho. The Israelites had been slaves, then desert nomads. What did they know of war?

They couldn't stay where they were, but to go where God was leading was frightening and fraught with change.

God prepared Joshua with these words: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9).

Change is one constant, but the other constant is God himself, the One who never changes, who sees the end from the beginning, and for whom the future holds no surprises. God has made us a solemn promise: to be with us always. That promise holds wherever we are, and is not invalidated by the unexpected. In whatever success we enjoy and amidst whatever failure we suffer, God has promised to be there with us.

I really don't like roller coasters. I don't like to scream all the way down. I don't like fear. Unfortunately, life in the new millennium is likely to be that kind of ride with its dizzying heights, its gut wrenching turns, and its free fall downslopes. But we have a seatmate who is God himself, there to steady us, protect us, and guide us. Today he repeats to us those timeless words that echo across the centuries and millennia: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Blessings,
Mel

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Delegate Assembly 2022



Dr. N. Jonas Ohrberg, founder of the Human Promise, is returning to the Quad Cities to speak at our Delegate Assembly on Thursday, March 24th, 2022. Delegate Assembly will be held at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Moline.

According to the Human Promise website, “Dr. N. Jonas Ohrberg is simply someone who cares about others, believes in positive and constructive progress in society, and has hope for a better future. Based on personal experiences and observations Jonas decided to put some ideas and thoughts on paper and he developed the concept of

The Human Promise. The Human Promise is not an extraordinary concept, but rather very simple.”

“The Human Promise is rooted in the words, writings and life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The attempt is to increase awareness of fostering a society rooted in the human spirit and human progress through acceptance, cooperation, fairness, and reconciliation.”

Delegate Assembly is our annual meeting. This is wonderful gathering of representatives from our member churches. It provides an opportunity to reflect on the past year, examine where we are as an organization and where we’re going, and to recognize those who have made significant contributions to our organization.

To RSVP for Delegate Assembly, call our office at 563-332-5002. Registration will begin at 6:30pm and the program will start at 7pm. Masks are required.

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