PULPIT MINISTRY 33rd Anniversary Message 19 August 2006

Text: Philippians

Title: TOGETHER

(I) AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONCEPT "TOGETHER"

1. It is a concrete concept rather than an abstract one

2. It is wonderfully expressed in compound words

a) "Continue with you all" (Greek - sumparameno) (Philippians 1:25)

b) "Striving together" (Greek - sunathlountes) (Philippians 1:27)

c) "Being of one accord" (Greek - sumpsuchoi) (Philippians 2:2)

d) "Fellow-worker" (Greek - sunergon) (Philippians 2:25; 4:3)

e) "Fellow-soldier" (Greek - sustratioten) (Philippians 2:25)

f) "Conformed" (Greek - summorphon) (Philippians 3:21)

(II) AN APPRECIATION OF THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THE CONCEPT "TOGETHER"

1. A special sense of Joy that pervades (Philippians 1:4; 2:16, 17)

2. A wonderful sense of Affection (Philippians 1:8-9)

3. A great sense of commitment to pray for each other (Philippians 1:3-4, 9-11)

4. A glorious sense of belonging to the Body of Christ (Philippians 2:1-2)

5. A beautiful ability to make great sacrifices (Philippians 2:25-30)

(III) AN APPEAL TO MAINTAIN THE SPIRIT OF THE CONCEPT "TOGETHER"

1. Special heartfelt Personal appeal (Philippians 2:1-2)

2. Special consciousness of God's Profound work in our hearts (Philippians 2:13)

3. Special Practical Help is sometimes necessary (Philippians 4:2-3)