1. **What is the purpose of Christian Fellowship?**

It helps us to grow.

When we come together in fellowship, we teach each other things.

God gives a gift of learning and growing when we come together in fellowship. We show each other how to live as God wants us to live, and how to walk in His footsteps.

1. **What is Biblical Christian Fellowship?**

Kononia describe the unity of the Spirit that comes from Christian’s shared beliefs, convictions and behavior.

When these shared values are in place, genuine Kononia or Fellowship occurs.

This Fellowship produces our mutual cooperation in God’s Worship, God’s work and God’s will being done in the world.

1. **How Important is Fellowship? Romans 12:4-6**

No matter where we are in our faith, Fellowship provides us with strength. Being around other believers gives us the chance to learn and grow in our faith. It demonstrates to us why we believe and sometimes is the excellent food for our souls. Matthew 18:19-20

1. **The Benefits of Fellowship.**

It provides encouragement

We all have moments, whether it is the loss of a loved one, a failed exam, money problems or even a faith crisis. We can find ourselves down. If we go to low, it can lead to anger and feelings of disillusion. With God, yet these low times are why fellowship is important.

Spending time with other believers can often lift us up a little bit.

They help us to keep our eyes on God.

God also works through them to provide us what we need in dark times.

Coming together with others can aid in our healing process and give us the encouragement to move forward.

Hebrews 10:24-25 “Let us think of ways to motivate one another in acts of love and good works.

And let us not neglect our meeting together as some people do. But encourage one another especially now that the day of His return is drawing near.

1. **Uniqueness in Fellowship - 1 John 3**

This relationship must be the basic of Christian Fellowship.

We can have friendship and relationships with unbelievers but true Christian Fellowship can only occur within the body of Christ.

We are united to one another by common beliefs, purposes and goals.

Our hearts and minds are other – worldly, because we follow Jesus Christ Who said that His Kingdom is not of this world. John 18:36

We know that we are strangers of this world and we long for the time we will be in our true home, Heaven.

1. **The Importance of Christian Fellowship**

Is that it reinforces these things in our minds and helps us to focus on Christ and His desires and goals for us.

Iron Sharpens Iron is true Christian Fellowship.

Christians sharpens one another’s faith and stir one another to exercise that faith and love and good work is all to God’s Glory.

Kononia – Common, Association, Partnership, Sharing, Contribution.

9 times in the Greek NT