# **Endurance: Making it through Challenging Times**

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Mike writing down prayer requests with some of the Parkview Resident during a Sunday Service

On Sunday, October 13, 2013 we hosted a Sunday Service at the local Parkview Convalescent Home. This is our second such program. We are honored to be invited and will plan once a month to conduct the service. The sermon was given by MT Mike on "Endurance: Making It Through Difficult Times"...Matthew 10:12, Hebrews 12: 27-28.

It was a deeply moving experience when Mike asked the residents to share a difficult time in their life and how they endured. Willard shared when his son completed suicide; Gerry shared when she was in a car accident and had received brain injury, Virgina after losing her son to a car accident and Carolynn after being diagnosed with Huntington Disease. They then shared how they endured through the support of family and friends, spiritual support, and patiently accepting the hard times.

The second gen then shared they learned a great deal from this sharing. They realized their lives are not as bad as some, we need to keep pushing forward and not backward, to have friends and family are important to overcome the tough times and with patience the bad times will pass.

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# Morning Service with Pastor Mike Yakawich

<u>Endure</u>: "To With Stand, to hold up under pain, fatigue, to tolerate, to continue, last, to bear pain without flinching."

Resilient: "Springing back into shape, recovering strength and spirits quickly"

### **Matthew 10:22**

"And you shall be hated by all men for my name sake, but he that endures to the end shall be saved."

### 2Titus 2:3

"Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

### Hebrews 6:15

"And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtains the promise."

#### **Ester 8:6**

"For how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? Or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?"

#### **Psalms 30:5**

"For His anger endures but a moment, in his for is life, weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning."

#### Hebrews 12:27-28

"And this word, yet once more significant the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain."

"Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace whereby we may serve God acceptably and with reverence and Godly fear."



Second Gen with Carolynn during the Sunday Service

# Enduring is Resilience

Today I would like to speak on enduring adversity.

I am sure you have all faced challenges in your life?

Tell me some of them? How did you survive?

How did you make it through the difficult times?

# God gives us guidance:

- Be patient
- Pray
- Word
- Reward in the end...
- We can learn from each other!

Help others to endure...Give them your story...offer your hand...tell them your story...

Now, this week look for God and seek ways for enduring and helping others through the tough times.