Word-Share-Prayer March 8, 2025
Ephesians 3:14-21 The Message

14-19 My response is to get down on my knees before the Father, this magnificent Father who parcels out all heaven and earth. I ask him to strengthen you by his Spirit—not a brute strength but a glorious inner strength—that Christ will live in you as you open the door and invite him in. And I ask him that with both feet planted firmly on love, you'll be able to take in with all followers of Jesus the extravagant dimensions of Christ's love. Reach out and experience the breadth! Test its length! Plumb the depths! Rise to the heights! Live full lives, full in the fullness of God.

20-21 God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us.

Glory to God in the church!
Glory to God in the Messiah, in Jesus!
Glory down all the generations!
Glory through all millennia! Oh, yes!

1.In this prayer to the Ephesian Church, Paul prayed for several specific things he wanted for the Ephesians. Is there one thing he prays for that stands out to you more than the others?

2. Referring to Ephesians 3:19 John Mark Comer, in his book, "Practicing the Way," says "We can't just **know about** the love of God; we have to **know** the love of God."

- What are some practices that may help you, as an individual, not only fathom God's love, but to be filled with God's love?

- What are some practices that your church family can do as the "Body of Christ" to help your community fathom and be filled with the God's love?

- After each person has had an opportunity to share thoughts about the passage and questions, budget your time to allow for each person to share a brief personal prayer request. Then pray for one another.