

BETWEEN YOU AND ME



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I have been spending a great deal of time lately reflecting on God's call on my life. At one time, I had a clear sense of call and made definite choices to order my life around that call. Several years and many unforeseen circumstances later I find myself asking tough questions. Am I still doing the things He has called me to do or have I begun working His call into my own priorities for my life?

Many of us have sensed a clear call of God on our lives at one time or another. Perhaps a call to full-time ministry, or to a certain people group, or to serve in a supportive capacity to others called to go. Whatever it was, we believed that it was a clear call of God. As the years go by and our lives become cluttered with the stuff of life, that clear vision begins to fade and we give up pursuit of that dream with which God inspired us.

As we journey through the life given us, it is essential for us to return again and again to our source of life to receive fresh vision and direction. Sometimes that initial vision was not as complete as we thought. Sometimes it needs to be fine-tuned and sharpened. And, sometimes, God's call is not what we expected it to be.

Whatever the case, we can choose to allow His call on our lives to fade into the past and live our lives as we think best. Or, we can continue to pursue the One who called us in the first place and allow Him to use the circumstances and pitfalls along the way to shape us into the person that He wants us to be and to ultimately advance His kingdom on earth.

New SEND Training Center Director Named

After directing the SEND Training Center for nearly four years, Shawn and Nadia Eicher, along with their son, Caleb, will be ending their term of service with the SEND Department in April. The Eichers are moving to Marysville, Ohio to participate in a church plant that is being sponsored by Agape Community Fellowship of Hilliard. Taking their place at the SEND House will be Carmal Miller. Carmal has been living at the Disciples House and will graduate in June with a degree in English from The Ohio State University. She is a REACH alumna (1996) and also served on the SEND House staff from 1997-1998.