



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God

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Did you see the news story about the couple celebrating their 91st wedding anniversary? Zachariah and Shama were Jewish orphans in Yemen when they married at ages 10 and 12. It is not good to marry at those ages, but it was a different time and place. They have stayed together through exceedingly difficult times: through wars; living in a goat pen for a while; moving to Israel and raising eleven children. Asked in a video clip about the secret of staying together for so long they said, “God has been with us every day and we looked out for each other.” What a statement of faith!

Today we seem to give up on people quickly. How many marriages end in less than ten years? We are told to end relationships with people who are ‘toxic’ or just not meeting our needs. Long term relationships are important. They provide stability and reference points for life. How is it possible to have long term relationships – Believe in God and put him first.