"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good, and God divided the light from the darkness." Genesis 1:1-4

God knew how important light would be to all mankind. Have you ever thought or realized that God did not want light to travel very slow and that's exactly why He decided to create light to travel at 186,000 miles per second? Now just take a moment and look at this incredible hand painted beautiful sunset from our heavenly Father. We know with every sunset there is a beautiful sunrise. God has been painting these for thousands of years. Wow, what an awesome God we have, for the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament shows his handiwork. Yes, that is the same exact God that created you and me … Hallelujah! He never makes a mistake.

We know that light will always penetrate the darkness and the darkness will never exist where there is the light. Also, if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another. FCAP has always promoted people working for the airlines to connect with each other all around the world no matter what our job title is or position that we hold. We do have so much in common knowing Christ that we desire to fellowship and encourage others as we share our faith and continue working for Him.

God wants to use each of us to bring His "Sonlight" into the dark and dreary day others may be experiencing. God will use your smile, hand shake, hugs, kind words, or simply buying a cup of coffee for someone else. It doesn't take much, but it will bring a ray of "Sonshine" into another person's life. Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). So the light that is in you is now shining on them at the speed of light. Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me" (Matthew 25:40).

When facing trouble and adversaries in his life, King David wrote, "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?" (Psalm 27:1). In John 8:12, Jesus tells us that He is the light of the world, and if we follow Him, we will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

We certainly do not want to hide that light. So let us so shine before others, so that they may see our good works and glorify our Father in heaven. Let's start living today in expectation of a blaze of God's glory. God knows your reflection is just as beautiful and gorgeous as any sunset or sunrise to many of the people that you work with because in you lives the greatest Light and Life of all.

"I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth." Acts 13:47

(This article was written by Jerry Litwiller, a pilot with United Air Lines. Jerry also serves on our FCAP Board of Directors.)
History:
The ministry of FCAP began in 1971 and was incorporated in 1973 when 50 people from eight different airlines in the United States and Canada met to consider how God wanted them to serve Christ in and through the airline industry. Since that time, the ministry of FCAP has spread in over 90 areas of the world. We do not have a membership or dues; rather we are a fellowship among Christians in the airline industry worldwide that share a common commitment and focus.

Perspective & Focus:
Most people look at work primarily as a source of income. Some even view it as a curse imposed on them as punishment from God. The Fellowship of Christian Airline Personnel believes that God places a high value on work and is deeply interested in our work, our performance on the job and our relationships with our co-workers. We recognize that both our work and the way we relate to people in the workplace are of great importance to God. So it is our mission: “To represent Christ in the airlines through meaningful relationships and quality work.”

FCAP’s two-fold purpose encourages people to know and experience God’s presence with them at work and to trust Him for the enabling strength in the responsibilities and challenges of work. We see authentic ministry in the workplace as a result of our displaying this relationship to our Lord within the sphere of our influence at work, without being coercive or self-serving.

Values:
- We value doing our work wholeheartedly as unto the Lord, knowing we represent Christ by the quality of our performance while on the job (Ephesians 6:6).
- We value intentionally engaging our faith in the workplace by expressing it in both deeds and words (1 Timothy 6:17-19).
- We value influencing the people around us by creatively building relationship with them and looking out for their interest just as we do our own.
- We value connecting the church in the workplace by seeking out other Christians, to mutually show our love for one another and our care for the people God has placed around us (John 13:35).

Making Your Connection:
Like the airline industry is all about making connections, so FCAP is all about Christians making their connection in the workplace in three basic ways:
- Connecting God’s purposes in the details of your work.
- Connecting ministry to God working through you to influence the people and circumstances of work.
- Connecting the church in the workplace in unique and creative ways, in order to extend and strengthen its influence.

WE OFFER:
- Training that helps Christians integrate the Christian faith into the everyday details of our work and its challenges.
- Free publications and weekly thoughts that offer encouragement, gives focus, and provides information.
- Support and fellowship through local groups, prayer network, training sessions, special events and conferences.

The Fellowship of Christian Airline Personnel

The ministry of FCAP is carried on by everyday ordinary people throughout the airline workplaces of the world who go to work with an extraordinary calling. The FCAP ministry does not focus on specialized people, nor are we a special interest group focusing on certain issues. We do not have a membership nor are we a club with dues. Rather, FCAP is a fellowship of Christians who identify with one another through a common focus and purpose. And we desire to demonstrate how our faith in Jesus Christ can influence the people and circumstances of our workplace. We are blessed to have both airline and non-airline people who encourage and support this ministry.

OVER TWO MILLION AIRLINE EMPLOYEES IN THE WORLD

Your Next Step:
Check on the FCAP website to see if there is a group in your area, or seek out and connect with other Christians at your workplace. Contact us at the international office for further assistance or click on “Connect With Us” on the website.

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