

**Sermon Notes – May 29, 2016**  
**“A Vibrant Church”**  
**Acts 2:42-47**  
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While I believe this section is descriptive (tells what was happening) not prescriptive (what we're supposed to do), what it describes about the relationships among the people of the Jerusalem church has implications for followers of Jesus today.

- How would you describe the relationships among these believers in Jerusalem?
- Have you experienced relationships like these in a church?

**Verse 42.** What is meant by: a) “the apostles’ teaching” b) “the fellowship” c) “the breaking of bread” and d) “prayer”?

- What are the equivalents of these for Christians today?

Historians say that by A.D. 100 there was no community of Christians in Jerusalem; however, the movement described in this passage that began there had spread throughout the known world.

- What are some ways in which East Main Church has spread beyond Grove City?
- If, 50 years from now, East Main Church no longer existed as an institution in Grove City, but people from here and others they influenced toward Christ were loving and serving Jesus throughout the world, would you be glad?