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CARE CONVERSATIONS

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Dear Friend,

Have you ever been in the presence of someone who was a genuine elder of the faith? In this next series of *Care Conversations*, Stephen reflects on his time with one of the elder statesmen of the faith, and of Christian Schooling - the Rev Bob Frisken (AM). The context was Bob teaching a group of teachers in Kalaymyo, Myanmar. They soon fell in love with Bob's wisdom, love and care. We hope that you can see glimpses of this through this set of *Care Conversations*.

Sincerely,

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BEYOND HUMAN KNOWLEDGE



What do you think teachers, parents and politicians mean when they say, “It is important for children and young people *to know* these things?” I would suggest that mostly what they mean is “to know *about*” these things – that is, can they pass a competency test of some kind at the end of their training?

Yet, we know that as beings that have a spiritual aspect to our reality, as well as a physical reality, “to know” means something deeper. To know something well is not just to be able to explain it, but to take it to heart and use it well for God.

Thus, Paul exhorts his readers that the love of Christ is the deepest of all knowing that one can experience. Indeed, it “surpasses knowledge” (Ephesians 3:16-19). Are our students stunned by the awe of such knowing, or simply confused, or bored by it all? Let’s ask God to help us to bring alive this knowing that is beyond human knowing each day.

Amen.

Grace and peace,

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~ Ken Venturi



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