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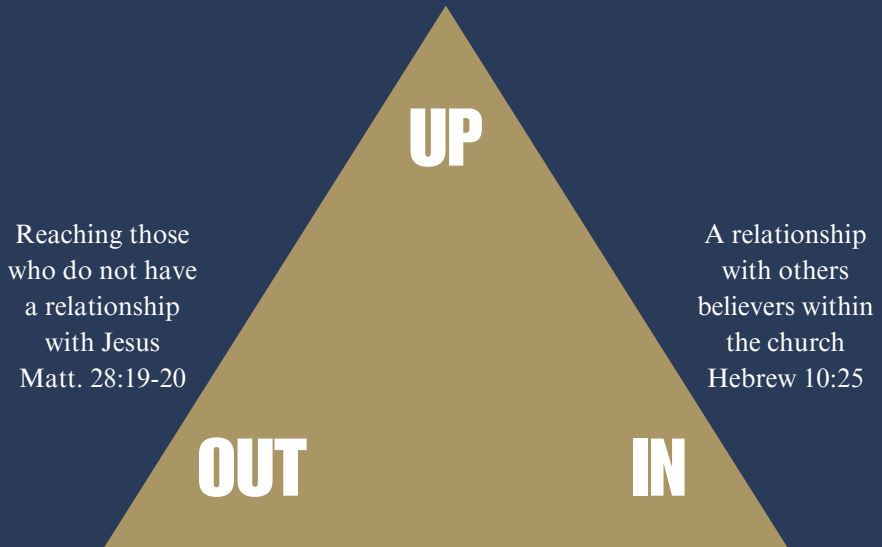
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MODEL FOR DISCIPLESHIP

A relationship with
God your Heavenly Father
John 15:1-8



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Why Groups?

At CBC, the emphasis on "church goes way beyond Sunday morning" stems from a Biblical model of fellowship and community outlined in the book of Acts. In Acts 2:42-47, we see the early Christians not only gathering in the temple together but also sharing meals, praying for one another, and meeting each other's needs. This faithfulness to Christ being lived out through Christian community resulted in the Lord adding to their number day by day those who were being saved!

The vision for groups at CBC is to foster an upward personal relationship with God, to have inward fellowship with other believers to strengthen the Church, and then allow the Holy Spirit to use us to reach outward into our community, fulfilling the Great Commission of making disciples.

We recognize that many of us are in different life stages and faith journeys. Because of this we strive to offer a variety of groups to meet you where you are and to help connect you with those who are walking in a similar way. As individuals mature in their faith, the hope is that many will step forward to lead and encourage others, thereby we will be a church that is focused and excited to be making disciples who are declaring the gospel of Jesus Christ.

A Community Group is a scattered community of men, women, and children from Community Bible Church. The purpose of a Community Group is to help one another grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

What to Expect

- Groups are made up of 8-12 people of similar walks of life, interests and/or schedules.
- You will generally meet in homes or in another location that is arranged by the group.
- Families are encouraged to be in groups and childcare is decided based on groups preference.
- Groups tend to meet September - May, however that may differ depending on the group.

Special Notes

- Although it is not required to be a member of CBC to be in a group, the person facilitating the group is required to have gone through the membership class and be a member of CBC.
- Roles may vary depending on the gifting of the individuals in groups. Some groups may have one person coordinate and facilitate while others may have smaller roles spread out amongst more people.
- Not all groups will be a good fit for everyone! We ask that you give your group a chance, however, if it is not a good fit please let us know!

Roles & Responsibilities

- Coordinator(s): This person or couple takes care of communicating with group members, confirming meeting dates, childcare and meal (if applicable).
- The Facilitator(s): This person or couple will help with selecting gospel centered group materials, encouraging discussion, taking prayer requests, etc.
- All Members: All members are responsible for honoring their commitments made to the group by attending, purchasing any needed materials, praying for others and responding timely to communications.

Goals

- To have smaller communities within CBC to encourage one another's faith in Jesus.
- Provide support for one another when facing life's difficulties.
- Close relationships with fellow believers to confide in, share experiences, and hold one another accountable to Biblical principles.
- Prayer for each other and for those who you are trying to reach with the Gospel.

Connect Here!

Discipleship Groups (or D-Groups) are designed for purposeful accelerated spiritual transformation. D-Groups can be formed organically through personal invitation or we would be happy to connect you with others who are also looking to be part of a group.

What to Expect

- Groups are made up of 3-5 people of the same gender and schedules.
- You will generally meet in homes or in another location that is arranged by the group.
- The recommended approach is to read through the Bible in a year, memorize scripture and to be in prayer for one another.

Roles & Responsibilities

- All Members- All members are responsible for honoring their commitments made to the group by attending, purchasing any needed materials, praying for others and responding timely to communications.
- In order for your group to be successful, it will be important that you attend meetings prepared with completed homework and be open to having discussion with the other members.

Special Notes

- There are no membership requirements to be in a D-Group, however if you come across questions that cannot be answered within your group please let us know! We will have a Pastor or Elder reach out to help provide guidance.
 - **Questions can be emailed to office@communitybible.net**
- The typical duration of a D-Group is one year, however your group is welcome to continue beyond that or members may choose to start new groups.

Goals

- To encourage believers to be active in making disciples and building one another up in love.
- Have small groups growing in the Word beyond Sunday morning and to be able to articulate their beliefs.
- The opportunity for other believers to speak into one another lives.
- Strengthen relationships with the body of CBC and to encourage deeper relationships with the Lord.

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Bible studies are available to enhance your understanding of the Bible, its principles, and its relevance to your daily life.

What to Expect

- The number of attendees can range from 5-10 people to 20-50 people, depending on the study.
- Instruction will be provided either by a live person or through a video.
- There will be allocated time for discussion and prayer.
- We provide a range of studies tailored to specific genders or for the entire church community.
- The dates and times vary to accommodate the variety of schedules.

Special Notes

- The leader of each study will be a member of CBC who aligns with the church's doctrinal statements.
- Membership or attendance at CBC is not necessary to join our Bible Studies; bringing new participants is welcomed!
- If the study leader is unable to address certain questions, those questions can be directed to a Pastor or Elder for more detailed explanations.
- No prior Biblical knowledge or training is needed; the studies will meet you at your current level.

Roles & Responsibilities

- All members are responsible for honoring their commitments made to the study by attending, purchasing any needed materials, and praying for others.
- To get the most out of the study it is good to do any required reading or homework ahead of time.
- Depending on the study there may be opportunities to contribute towards a meal or snacks.

Goals

- Enhance your understanding of the Bible, Biblical life principles, and confidence in the Bible's authority
- Create a community of believers to grow collectively and offer mutual support
- Inspire each other to be disciples who disciple others, following the teachings of Matthew 28:19-20.

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Transformation Groups provide support for you or a loved one during challenging times. By providing Biblical resources, prayer and encouragement these groups give hope for healing and transformation that can only come by the power of the Holy Spirit.

What to Expect

- We have two types of groups: Weekly support groups and 13 week classes.
- Classes are led and facilitated by members of CBC.
- Attenders may come from all walks of life and may not necessarily be apart of CBC.
- There will be a lesson, discussion and time for prayer.

Special Notes

- The leader of each study will be a CBC member who aligns with the church's doctrinal statements.
- Membership or attendance at CBC is not necessary to be a part of a group; inviting new participants is welcomed!
- If the study leader is unable to address certain questions, those questions can be directed to a Pastor or Elder for more detailed explanation.

Roles & Responsibilities

- All members are responsible for honoring their commitments made to the group by attending, purchasing any needed materials, and praying for others.
- To get the most out of the study it is good to do any required reading or homework ahead of time.

Goals

- To have a community around you as you walk through a difficult time.
- To encourage you in God's love and to give you confidence that He can provide for all that you need when you need it.
- To help you determine steps, habits and life style changes as you move towards healing.
- To offer a time of refreshment and a safe place to share.

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Affinity Groups are additional ways that you can connect at CBC! There are a variety of groups that are available that will focus on growing you deeper in your faith, fellowship with other believers and the freedom you can experience in your relationship with Jesus Christ!

What to Expect

- Each group will look a little bit different depending on the topic but will encourage you to grow in your faith, fellowship, and freedom in Christ.
- We frequently add new groups so you can check through out the year to see what's available!

Special Notes

- The leader of each group will be a CBC member who aligns with the church's doctrinal statements.
- This is a great opportunity for members of CBC to use their special interests or areas of expertise to disciple and encourage others.
- Membership or attendance at CBC is not necessary to be a part of a group; inviting new participants is encouraged!

Roles & Responsibilities

- Each group will have different ways to participate. To see what to expect use the QR Code below!

Goals

- To help you to grow deeper in your faith in Jesus Christ, fellowship with other believers, and in the freedom that can only come through the power of the Holy Spirit.

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WHY SERVE?

When individuals step out to serve in the church or community, they often find that not only are they making a difference but their own lives are also being transformed! This paradox is beautifully explained in Philippians 2:12-13, where it emphasizes working out your salvation while acknowledging God's transformative work within.

By surrendering our interests and passions to the Lord, He can utilize them to bring us a greater purpose and joy as well as reach others with the Gospel. It's not about our abilities, but rather allowing God to work through us to do His will and to work for His good pleasure!

At CBC, we want to support you as you fulfill the Great Commission of going and making disciples. We provide a range of opportunities, from assisting on Sunday mornings, caring for CBCKids, supporting students, to reaching out to the community. Our desire is for you and your family to join a serving community, where you can experience the joy of the Lord by expressing your faith in practical ways.

Serving Within CBC

CONNECT TEAMS

Our Connect Teams are the Sunday morning and Wednesday evening teams that create a welcoming experience in the lobby and the worship center. Some examples of teams you can be involved with are:

- Parking
- Welcome Team
- Welcome Desk
- Cafe
- Safety
- Prayer Team
- Wednesday Meal Team

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NEXTGEN

Our NextGen Ministry serves kids and students ages 4 weeks old - 12th grade. Our CBCKids meet on Sunday morning as well as Wednesday evening while our CBC Students meet on Sunday evenings. Some examples on how you can be involved are:

- CBCKids Welcome Desk
- CBCKids Teacher or classroom helper
- Compass Kids
- CBCStudent Middle School or
- High School Leader

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CREATIVE

Our Creative Team provides the Sunday morning and Wednesday evening worship experiences. For some volunteer positions there is an audition process while others require no experience and training will be provided. Some examples on how you can be involved are:

- Singing
- Playing an instrument
- Tech team
- Video & Photography

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Serving Out in the Community

REACHING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

Our community-based outreach opportunities allow us to develop relationships with our neighbors. We focus on sharing the love of Jesus by meeting physical needs and sharing the Gospel. Some examples of how you can get involved are:

- Neighbor Ministries (BBQ & Community Connect)
- School Ministries
- Senior Ministries
- Support Ministries (Hope Project & Women in Stitches)
- Annual Events (Day of Hope & Night to Shine)

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SUPPORTING MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD

Taking the Gospel to the ends of the Earth has been a long-time priority at CBC. We support many different missionaries & mission partners throughout the globe. Some examples of how you can get involved are:

- Serve with local missionaries (Reach the Forgotten, Ivy Table, Community Catalyst).
- Pray regularly for our missionaries with the Missions Prayer Team or your group.
- Participate in mission trips!

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SPECIAL NOTE:

- Our resources and signs up are primarily digital to allow CBC to reach as many people as possible, however we do recognize that this may not be a good fit for everyone. Some additional options to access resources or sign ups are:
 - Visit the Welcome Desk
 - Fill out a Connect Card
 - Email office@communitybible.net
 - Call (810)227-2255

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