



If you make my word your home you will indeed be my disciples.—John 8:31

DISCIPLE is an in-depth, discussion-based small group Bible study, whose purpose is to transform our lives by strengthening our faith while guiding us into service. Following a series of testimonials starting in August, our Disciple Bible Study Program will commence with a general Disciple Orientation Meeting September 11th with classes starting the following week. Please check the Bulletin for times and dates. All classes will meet weekly on a designated day/evening for approximately 2-2 ½ hours. You will be asked to purchase a study manual (approx. \$35) that will be combined with a DVD that we supply to guide your reading of Scripture with discussion being facilitated by a Disciple class leader. *Note that after completing Disciple 1, subsequent Disciple class studies may be taken in any order.*

DISCIPLE 1: Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study is the class to take if you've never completed a Disciple Bible study. Participants will read over 70% of the Bible over the course of 34 weeks, spending an equal number of weeks studying the Old and New Testaments. No prerequisite required. **Class offerings will be based on student request.**

DISCIPLE 2: Into the Word, Into the World builds on the biblical knowledge gained in Disciple 1, and helps us to continue our walk of faith as we strive to become Disciples of Christ. This 32-week Bible study class moves deeper into the word with a study of Genesis, Exodus, Luke, and Acts. Completion of Disciple 1 required to take this class. **Existing class offerings include Wednesday and Thursday evenings.**

DISCIPLE 3: Remember Who You Are challenges us to remember our biblical heritage as a people 'set apart' for service while renewing our vision and place of community. This 32 week study concentrates on the writings of the Old Testament prophets and on the Letters of Paul. Completion of Disciple 1 required to take this class. **Existing class offering will be Wednesday evening and Wednesday or Thursday afternoon.**

DISCIPLE 4: Under the Tree of Life, this 32 week study in the four-phase Disciple program, concentrates on the Writings in the Old Testament and the Gospel of John, 1,2,3 John, James, Jude and Revelation in the New Testament. Completion of Disciple 1 required to take this class. **Class offerings will be Wednesday evening.**

DISCIPLE Orientation will be held on Wednesday, September 3rd at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary and classes will begin in the following weeks.

All participants are encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions about Disciple classes, please call Pam French at 724-744-5011 or email at psfrench4@aol.com.

Short Term Small Group Bible Studies

Recognizing that not everyone can commit to a 30+ week Bible Study, we also offer short-term (typically 8-12 weeks) small group Bible Study opportunities. So far we have the following groups planned for this fall.

New Member CLASS 101: This class is a requirement to become a member of Community Church. If you are decided on membership or if you are still considering, this is the class to learn more. Meets Saturdays October -November from 4:00-5:30pm in Room 210-212. Contact the church office for details 724-744-3413 or Elizabeth Somes at esomes@communityumchurch.com.

Women's Weekly Study: Meeting each Monday at 1:00pm at the church beginning September 8 to study Children of the Day by Beth Moore. All women are welcome to attend this group led by Kathy Carter meeting in Patterson Parlor. Contact her for details at 412-610-0283 or KACarter1960@comcast.net. *Childcare is not provided.*

Women's Twice Monthly Study: Select to meet either on Wednesday evenings OR Thursday mornings to study Sacred Secrets by Beth Moore. Meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 6:45pm in room 207 starting September 17 and 2nd and 4th Thursday at 9:30am starting Sept 11 in room 209. All women welcome; pick either daytime or evening study. Contact Leigh Casale for details at 724-396-4777. *Childcare and children's small groups provided Wednesday evening.*

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers): Will meet every other Friday morning from 9:30-11:30am beginning September 12th. This group is designed to nurture mothers with children from infancy through kindergarten. MOPS helps mothers find friendship, develop mothering skills, and promote spiritual growth. Contact Jen Leitch at jleitch610@gmail.com for details. *Childcare is provided.*

Men's Twice Monthly Study: Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings at 6:45pm in room 207 starting September 24th. All men welcome to come and study Frances Chan's Crazy Love. Contact Charlie Hach for details at hachs@comcast.net or call/text 412-736-8725. *Childcare and children's small groups provided.*

Experiencing God: Select either Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary at 6:45pm beginning Sept. 10 or Sunday mornings at 9:45am beginning September 7 (***all participants invited on Sept. 3 to collect materials and intro***); following the Current worship service series, Pastor Rich Phipps and others will lead these groups in study of knowing and doing the will of God. Contact the church office at 724-744-3413 for details. *Childcare and children's small groups provided both times.*

Victory in Spiritual Warfare: Meeting on Thursday at 7pm October-November, this study by Tony Evans is open to men and women who want to learn how to be well-dressed for warfare. Led by Jamie Caruso, for details contact her at jamie.caruso@gmail.com.

Prayer Groups: Various informal prayer groups are meeting throughout the area to pray for the community and schools. To host or join a group, contact Elizabeth Somes 724-744-3413 or esomes@communityumchurch.com.

Care Groups

Healthy Living and Weight Loss: Based on the Prophet Daniel's model, this six weeks series reveals five concepts to help you achieve a healthy lifestyle rooted in Christ; faith, food, fitness, focus and friends. Meets on Mondays at 6:30pm beginning September 15 and led by Niki Cermack, a certified personal trainer contact 412-414-1502 or pafigure@yahoo.com for details.

GriefShare: This program features Christ-centered teachings that focus on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. Whether your loss is recent or in the past, you will find encouragement, comfort and help in your grief. New session starting on Tuesday, September 9th and meets weekly until November 11 from 6:30-8:30pm. Please contact Bereavement Counselor and leader, Van Brenlove at 412-689-9857 or email at vbrenlove@granehospice.com. *Ecumenical program. Open to the community.*

Small Group Commitment Form

I want to get connected!

After completing this form, **please place it in the offering plate or return it to the Church Office** as soon as possible so that we may make the necessary plans for Fall 2014. Someone will be in touch with you as soon as possible to give you the details. *If you have any questions, contact the person listed with the study or the church office.*

Name _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

I need childcare. Yes ____ No ____

For Disciple:

I want to take Disciple on (1st Choice day): _____

2nd Choice Day _____ Please specify preference Day or Evening

For Other Groups:

The small group I want to be in is: _____



Disciple Bible Study and Small Group Guide

