

Faith Steps 2020-2021

Growing as Disciples of Jesus

Faith Step classes

Following God's 12-Step Path to Healing, Freedom & Lasting Change

Mike & Cherri Warren

God set out a plan for the recovery of His broken people. The Bible is the greatest book on recovery ever written. In it, we meet numerous individuals whose hurting lives are restored through the wisdom and power of God. We meet the God who is waiting, with arms outstretched, for all of us to turn back to Him, seek after His will, and recover the wonderful, purposeful life He has for each of us. This class is taking recovery back to the source—the Bible—to learn how to let God do for us what we cannot do for ourselves, while taking the steps necessary to draw closer to Him, as we learn to trust Him to heal our brokenness and set us on the path toward wholeness.

When: Sunday mornings STARTING September 20

Time: 9:45-10:45am

Where: Via Zoom until further notice

Who: Co-Ed

Contact leader for Zoom invite

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Praying Circles Around Your Marriage Triads

Chris & Wanda Sloop

Prayer is the most powerful way to transform your marriage. The book, Praying Circles Around Your Marriage draws from the life-changing principles in the bestselling book The Circle Maker to empower you to fulfill the God-given dreams for your marriage. Discover seven key prayer circles for your marriage: Vision Circle, Romance Circle, War Circle, Dance Circle, Support Circle, Storm Circle, and Legacy Circle. We will be meeting as a large group (two times a month) and in triads (you and your spouse will meet with two other couples) one to two times a month to put into action what we are learning and discovering from the book.

Through these circles you will:

- Discover your shared vision and find a new combined purpose together
- Turn the tables on conflict and access the gift of being known
- Be a student of your spouse and ensure a connected and intimate relationship
- Build a foundation for your marriage that will help you weather the trials that are sure to come
- Learn to draw a larger circle around your marriage so that your unified purpose can be a blessing to others by investing in other couples to lead them into a stronger marriage

When: Starting Sunday September 27 - December 6

Time: Sundays 4-5 p.m. (Time may vary for in-person meetings)

Where: Via Zoom with some in person meetings at an outdoor location weather permitting Who: Co-Ed married couples; Singles who are married or seriously dating are also welcome.

Contact leader for more information:

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Two Options:

Study 1: The Bait of Satan by John Bevere

Ted Gammell, Kyle Petersen, Kirk Cook

Are you been ensnared by bitterness, seized by anger, or held captive by resentment, all because someone has offended you?

The Bait of Satan exposes one of the most deceptive snares Satan uses to get believers out of the will of Godoffense. This trap restrains countless Christians, severs relationships, and widens the gulfs between us. John Bevere shows you how to escape Satan's grip, avoid a victim mentality, practice forgiveness, experience reconciliation, and remain free in Christ. Be inspired to stay free from offense and its destructive power. Don't let anyone affect your relationship with God!

When: Wednesday Evenings STARTING September 23

Time: 7:15-8:15pm

Where: via Zoom with some in-person gatherings

Contact leader for a Zoom invite:

Ted Gammell 301-788-4912 or ted.gammell@viasat.com

Study 2: "Oneness Embraced: Reconciliation, The Kingdom, and How We are Stronger Together" by Tony Evans

Ryan Bartel, Howard Fischer, Karl Madden

With the Bible as a guide and heaven as the goal, Oneness Embraced calls God's people to kingdom-focused unity. It tells us why we don't have it, what we need to get it, and what it will look like when we do. Weaving his own story into this word to the church, Tony Evans tells of a life spent between two worlds. As a young theologian, he straddled black, urban culture and white, mainstream evangelicalism. He offers seasoned reflections on matters of history, culture, the church, and social justice.

This call for unity is as timely as ever. If the church practices oneness, America will have a guide for becoming the one nation under God it declares itself to be.

When: Sunday Evenings STARTING September 20

Time: 4:00-5:00pm Where: via Zoom

Contact leader for a Zoom invite:

Karl Madden 240-626-9712 or maddenkm@comcast.net

Jude: Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture by Jackie Hill Perry

Janet Stephens, Herb Schoenberg, Rachel Gammell

In this this 6-week study we will discover what it looks like to serve God in a culture that has lost sight of the Gospel. If you have ever struggled with how to love your neighbor, bringing up Jesus in a conversation with a friend, or standing for the faith; join us on a journey through the book of Jude to learn what it looks like to contend for the faith in today's culture.

When: Sunday mornings October 11-November 15

Time: 9:40-10:40am Where: Via Zoom

Who: Post College young adults to well-seasoned adults

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