

WHO WE ARE

Equip others to be more faithful disciples through serving them in discipleship-evangelism, exhortation and restoration, to a full relationship with God, in all of life.

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INVITATION TO ATTEND A CARE GROUP

It's easy to get lost in a crowd—to feel lonely even though you may be surrounded by worshipers on a given Sunday. That's why we are hosting a care-groups ministry. We want everyone to have the opportunity to be known and cared for. People grow faster spiritually in a caring, interactive group where they can feel free to ask their real questions and sense the support of the group.

The care group is as much "church" as the larger convening of believers. Jesus' ministry was in care groups as well as large. All of the "one another" commands in Scripture (love one another; pray for one another; be kind to one another) can only be truly obeyed and experienced in a care group.

BEGINNING SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008

5:00–8:00 PM

AT THE HOME OF

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**THE FAVOR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED FOR
PLANNING PURPOSES**

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CARE GROUP STUDY SCHEDULE

Sacred Pathways by Gary L. Thomas can be purchased online at Christianbook.com for \$11.99 plus shipping/handling

We will have 10 copies available for purchase on June 7

June 7, 2008	Introduction
June 14, 2008	Part One: Journey of the Soul Loving God
June 21, 2008	Part Two: The Sacred Pathways Naturalists Sensates Traditionalists
June 28, 2008	Ascetics Activists Caregivers
July 5, 2008	Enthusiasts Contemplatives Intellectuals
July 12, 2008	Part Three: Understanding Your Sacred Pathway
July 19, 2008	Family Cookout
July 26, 2008 ***	Future Church Session 1
August 2, 2008	Future Church Session 2
August 9, 2008	Future Church Session 3
August 16, 2008	Future Church Session 4
August 23, 2008	Future Church Session 5
August 30, 2008	Family Cookout

*** Future Church: Ministry in a Post-Seeker Age by: Jim L. Wilson is recommended reading and can be purchased at Christianbook.com

TIMING OF EVENTS

Listed below are the time frames for each week's study and/or event

Group Meetings Saturdays, starting June 7, 2008
5:00 pm—8:00 pm
Please bring a bible (we will have some available for use) and a pen/pencil

Family Cookouts Saturday, July 19 and August 30
4:00 pm



Coordination For Cookouts will be within the community.

Childcare Options will be discussed during Introduction Night.

WHY A CARE GROUP?

We should not think of our fellowship with other Christians as a spiritual luxury, an optional addition to the exercises of private devotions. Fellowship is one of the great words of the New Testament: it denotes something that is vital to a Christian's spiritual health, and central to the Church's true life...The church will flourish and Christians will be strong only when there is fellowship.
- J.I. Packer

Four Goals of a Care Group:

Progressive Sanctification

Sanctification refers to our *practice* before God. It is the ongoing process of battling sin and becoming more like Jesus.

Mutual Care

God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.

If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. (1 Cor 12:24-26)

Fellowship

Fellowship means to participate together, or to communicate things we hold in common.

Ministry of the Holy Spirit

In this smaller and more personal context, each person can serve according to the gifting of the Holy Spirit. This is the fourth and final reason why care groups exist.