

Emmaus Partnership Guidance

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New Life Mission and Vision

Mission Statement — We exist to glorify God by enjoying and loving Him, loving others and leading people to become devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Vision Statement — God has made us to be a Welcoming, Transforming, and Sending church that makes disciples of Jesus Christ by helping people Get Connected, Get Grounded, Get Healthy, Get Strong, and Get Going.

Philosophy of Emmaus Partnerships

Emmaus Partnerships will be one of the central ways we pursue adult discipleship alongside Sunday worship services, Training Courses, and Growth Groups.

Vision

- Emmaus Partnerships will spring out various ministries in our church as individuals choose to find a friend to be <u>accountable to live in the gospel</u>.
- Just like the road to Emmaus, two friends are walking the path together and Jesus shows up! He teaches them the Scriptures and they spend time with him.

Structure

- Two/three men or two/three women will meet regularly.
- Meetings will consists of:
 - Sharing personal updates
 - Studying Scripture or reading a supplemental book
 - Discussing how they will be accountable to live consistently in light of the gospel
 - Sharing prayer request and praying together

Leadership

- Emmaus Partnerships can be formed at the discretion of participants.
- The Elders must be notified of all Emmaus Partnerships. The Elders will seek to support, equip, and pray for the participants by periodically checking in with the group.

Schedule

- Emmaus Partnerships may begin or end at any time of the year.
- We will regularly encourage the formation of new groups throughout the ministry year.