

PIPELINE

MINISTRY TRAINING & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

This August, our second Pipeline Foundations group gets underway. We're excited to see who the Lord brings into it! *Pipeline* is what we're calling our renewed ministry training and leadership development efforts, of which Foundations is the entry point. Primarily meeting monthly on Sunday nights, *Foundations* requires a four-month commitment and has three components: reading, gathering, and planning a personal ministry project or role for 2020.

Reading: *We'll read through four short courses together, each one like a mini-book.*

- Gospel Community We'll learn what Christian community should look like when rooted in the gospel and consider the church as a gospel community on mission.
- Evangelism When Jesus captivates hearts and ordinary people live their everyday life with gospel intentionality, evangelism can happen naturally, frequently, and joyfully. Here's how...
- Gospel Change We'll learn how to apply the gospel to our own hearts, struggles, and everyday lives, and how to effectively minister the gospel to those around us.
- The Bible In Missional Perspective We'll trace the themes of God's people, in God's place, under God's rule and blessing from Genesis through Revelation, considering the Bible as the story of God's mission to redeem the world through his Son.

Gathering: *We'll meet for five Sunday night workshops and four cohort group meetings.*

- Workshops Modeled after a college seminar class, workshop nights consist of short teaching times highlighting a key concept or two followed by lots of time for group discussion of what we're reading and learning. Some of that time will be spent in large group interaction and some broken out into smaller groups. *The five workshops will be on Sunday nights from 5:30-8:00 and include dinner. Dates: 8/4, 9/8, 10/13, 11/10, and 12/8.*
- Cohorts Groups of 3-4 that will meet for discussion, prayer, and encouragement at the midway point of each course. Meeting four times individually and also spending time together at workshop nights, cohorts are little greenhouses for relationships to grow.

Ministry Project: *Participants plan a ministry project or role, to begin when Foundations ends.*

Everyone will consider a personal ministry project or role, first individually and then with input from a pastor or ministry director. For those not already serving in a specific way, ministry projects will be defined and planned this fall and begin once Foundations is over. Ministry projects should be as specific, intentional, and measurable as possible. E.g., "I'm going to become an intern in my small group hoping to begin a new group in six months." instead of, "I'm going to help out more in my small group."

Details and Next Steps

- If you'd like to participate, there is [a simple application to complete](#) to secure your spot.
- T.J. Leach is our Pipeline coordinator. Contact him with questions at tjleach@newlife.com.
- Cost is \$85 for an individual and \$60 for a spouse. Financial aid is available if needed.
- For most people, the interactive nature of the workshop nights and cohort groups will be the highlight while the discipline of making time to read will be the challenge. Plan on one-and-a-half to two hours per week to complete the reading at an average reading speed.