



BIBLE STUDY

Growth Groups

Ephesians 4v15 ...speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of ... Christ.

What are Growth Groups and why bother?

Our loving heavenly Father longs for his people to grow more like Jesus day by day. Ever since the early church got going, Christians have found it helpful to meet together in small groups to be church together more closely than is possible on a Sunday morning. This is to grow individually and together in their faith.



Growth Groups are our way of trying to enable this growing to take place.

Being part of a Growth Group will mean....

- time to be together
- time to read, discuss and dig into the Bible together
- time to pray together

...ultimately, along with 6 to 10 other church family members, it is a time to GROW.

Many Christians tell of how God has worked in their lives most as they've gotten to grips with God's Word together with others.

Who are they for?

They are for anyone in our church family who is aged 18 and over. You may still be looking into Christian things or you may have been a follower of Jesus for a long time. We aim for each Growth Group to be made up of individuals

who are at different stages of life and Christian maturity. Then together, they can support each other and let God's Word shine into their varied life experiences and stages.

When & Where

Growth Groups are available at the following times in a normal week.

Monday Evening

7.45pm to 9.15pm at Emmanuel

Led by Elizabeth Dawson.

Thursday Morning

9.15am to 11.00am at Emmanuel

Coffee and Chat from 9.15am. Bible and prayer from 10.00am to 11.00am.

Creche for pre-school aged children from 10.00am to 11.00am.

A group for all, with a crèche available for pre-school children for parents that need it.

Led by Amanda Walton.

Thursday Evening

7.45pm to 9.15pm at a church member's home.

Led by Richard Hartnoll.

It is possible that a new group may have started since this leaflet was published. Please speak to Mike Walton or one of the Growth Group Leaders to see if that has happened.



Each Growth Group will usually meet 3 times a month and will not take place on the week that our monthly prayer meeting 'Prayer Works' takes place. The groups will also stop during school holidays.

Mike, our Rector, will lead occasional studies in each of the groups from time to time.

What to do next?

Please prayerfully consider joining a Growth Group. We recognise that for some an evening or a morning a week is a big time commitment. However, we are sure that it will be worthwhile.

If you are interested joining a group, please speak to Mike.

If you have any questions, please speak to Mike, Elizabeth, Richard or Amanda.





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