

YEAR TWO

In the second year, FORMATION GROUPS will work through four Spiritual Formation Guides put out by Renovaré (*Connecting with God, Prayer and Worship, Learning from Jesus, and Living the Mission*). There is a reading for each week of the year, so groups will plan to connect weekly from September through August.



The two workshops the second year will be:

- Communing with God: Having laid the foundation of a Scriptural spirituality and spiritual theology, this workshop seeks to go deeper into how we can actually commune with God in daily life. This will focus on both how we hear from God and respond to God through prayer and worship. Recommended readings:
 - *The Practice of the Presence of God* by Lawrence
 - *Prayer* by Richard Foster
 - *Answering God* by Eugene Peterson
 - *Hearing God* by Dallas Willard
- Learning and Living Jesus: What sort of life does Jesus actually call us to? Can it be lived out here and now? This workshop looks at how we as Christians can engage our heads, hearts and hands in the good news of the gospel – living out Jesus mission in our lives today. Recommended readings:
 - *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer
 - *Freedom of Simplicity* by Richard Foster
 - *Head, Heart and Hands* by Dennis Hollinger
 - *The Divine Conspiracy* by Dallas Willard

A THIRD YEAR FOR THOSE IN LEADERSHIP

A third year is being offered for those in leadership who wish to implement spiritual formation practices into their ministry. In this third year, FORMATION GROUPS will work through “Devotional Classics” edited by Richard Foster and James Bryan Smith. There is a reading for each week of the year, so groups again will plan to connect weekly from September through August.

The two workshops the third year will be:

- Spiritual Formation and Ministry: Having laid the foundation of a Scriptural spirituality and spiritual theology, and how these play out in daily life, how does one then minister out of this understanding? This workshop proposes a philosophy of ministry based on a practical spirituality. Recommended readings:
 - *The Sense of Call* by Marva Dawn
 - *The Search for Compassion* by Andrew Purves
 - *The Crucifixion of Ministry* by Andrew Purves
 - *A Little Guide to Christian Spirituality* by Glen Scorgie
- Spiritual Leadership: Lead by the Spirit: Leadership in the context of ministry is spiritual! This workshop will provide the participant with an understanding of leadership which is sensitive to the spiritually transformative work of God among us. Recommended readings:
 - *Strengthening the Soul of your Leadership* by Barton
 - *Pursuing God’s Will Together* by Ruth Haley Barton
 - *Off-road Disciplines* by Earl Creps
 - *Joyful Exiles* by James Houston

