

# *Are you ready to move further on the journey?*

The spiritual journey begins at birth. It takes a new turn when we accept a personal relationship with Jesus...but it doesn't stop there. God calls each of us to continue the journey toward spiritual maturity. The role of the Church is to create an environment where transforming encounters with God can take place to propel us forward.



This winter, sign up for one of our Discipleship Opportunities and find a place where you can grow. In the months ahead, new learning opportunities will be added to create a place for everyone – men, women, children and students.

Make a commitment to reconnect with *your* journey and discover what can be the most exciting adventure of your life.

On the journey with you,

*Dan Clover*

2011

# Winter Discipleship Opportunities

January 23 - April 10

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## Children’s Ministry (Age 3-5th grade)

### All-Stars:

Sundays 9:00-10:00

*Come experience God’s Word through this high energy hands-on environment.*

*Children start in an age appropriate classroom, move to room 216 for a media driven lesson in a large group setting; then return to classrooms for small group activities to reinforce the lessons/virtues of the day.*



### KIDROCK:

**Sundays 10:30-11:30** *KIDROCK is Children’s Church for ages 3 - 5th grade. Children meet together at 10:30 for music. Pre-school children then go to their own class room.*

*This January kicks off the “The Basketball Blowout!” where 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade children will split into two teams that will compete for all kinds of prizes as well as reach out into*

*the community. Children also will be competing for Monthly prizes Are you up to the challenge?*

### JBQ:

In May children in 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be given an opportunity to see if they want to join our Junior Bible Quiz team. This will be during the 9:00 am service.



# YES!

- I would like to donate \_\_\_\_\_ Bibles @ \$1.00 each to Re:Serve
- Instead of Donating, I will Commit to prayerfully supporting Re:Serve
- Please Contact me at a later date so I can support this ministry

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE  
*Thank You!*

Please make all checks payable to TCUMC

- Please send me a receipt for this donation.

## *How to register...*

1. Select the learning opportunities that interest you, or will help you grow in your faith in which God is nudging you to participate.
  2. There are 3 ways to register:
    - On our website – [www.tippcityumc.org](http://www.tippcityumc.org)
    - Complete the enclosed registration card and drop it in the offering plate/basket during worship.
    - Stop by the Discipleship Opportunities table in the gathering area.
- Be sure to include the *group code* for the opportunities you select!**
3. You will be contacted with details pertaining to the opportunities you select.

*Payments for books will be collected by the facilitator at the first session.*

For more information on student activities, service opportunities, or just info on how we are RE-Thinking student ministry contact Ben Lilly @ 937-667-2318 ext. 212 or [ben@tippcityumc.org](mailto:ben@tippcityumc.org)

# FAQ...

## Can I sign up for more than one opportunity?

*Yes! If you have an interest in more than one discipleship opportunity, you may sign up for as many as your schedule permits. Just be sure and identify the group code for each when you register.*

## How many times each year will classes & groups be offered?

*We offer a new round of Discipleship Opportunities three times each year - summer, fall and winter.*

## If the group I register for is ongoing, can I meet with them longer than one trimester?

*Yes! Feel free to register for the same group every trimester if that is what works best for you.*

**Other questions? Contact the church office at 937-667-2318.**



Grades 6-12  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month  
6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Student Ministry Room

**Re:Serve** is a new title for..... “serve the world”  
Any projects that the students participate in, that are of a missions or service orientation will fall under the heading of **Re:Serve**. The first project we are working on is as follows:

- This past June, Re:Student Ministries attended the Alive Christian Music Festival at Atwood Lake Park. We thoroughly enjoyed our time together, and loved the music, but while we were there we realized something that bothered us. A lack of bibles at the entire festival. Thousand of kids and adults giving their lives to Christ and inviting Him to transform them from whom they were to whom He wants them to be, and no scripture for them to take away from the event. We decided to make it our goal to give bibles to anyone who makes a decision in their life at Alive in 2011. We would like to “Feed 5000” with the word of God.

### You can help in a couple ways:

- *With a monetary donation or*
- *Join our efforts and help raise funds.*
- *We would greatly appreciate your prayer support.*

We will need to raise around \$5000.00 by the beginning of April to ensure enough time for shipping and assembly.

# STUDENT MINISTRY

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## **:Fresh**

Grades 6-8

Thursdays

6:00-7:30 p.m.

Student Ministry Room

Whether you know all the Bible stories or have never been in church, **RE:Fresh** is the place for middle school students to get a fresh perspective on how to integrate faith and life in ways that make sense. We will worship, play time tested games and learn about faith, life and following God. Bring your friends and just show up!



## **:Group**

Grades 9-12

Sundays

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Student Ministry Room

High school students need a place to **RE:Group** and consider how to face the world head on with an unshakable Christian faith firmly in place. At **RE:Group** we hang out, worship together, and learn more of what it looks like to be in a fully committed relationship with the Creator God. Bring your friends and just show up!

# Sunday



## **Action Class**

10:15 a.m.

Room: 206

Facilitator: Ellen Hazel

Group code: SU01

Cost: None

Start date: Ongoing

*A class that is focused on spiritual growth through the study of scripture and classic studies that relate to the bible. Join us this winter as we combine strong biblical community with an authentic search for the truth.*

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## **Alpha Class**

10:15 a.m.

Room: 207

Facilitators: Jane Clawson, Betty Knoblech, Gene Houdeshell

Group code: SU02

Cost: None

Start date: Ongoing

## **Adult Bible Studies**

*Using the United Methodist Quarterly Bible Studies, explore lessons from the Bible and learn how to apply them to daily living. The Alpha Class is ongoing.*

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# Sunday



## **Semper Fi Class**

**10:15 a.m.**

**Room: 200**

**Facilitators:** Juanita Slorp & Bill Zunke

**Group code:** SU03

**Cost:** None

**Start date:** Ongoing

## ***Adult Bible Studies***

*Using the United Methodist Quarterly Bible Studies, explore lessons from the Bible and learn how to apply them to daily living.*

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## **Adult Coffee Group for men, women, couples, singles**

**9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Room: 203**

**Facilitator:** Brian Bowser & Larrell Walters

**Group code:** SU04

**Cost:** None

**Start date:** January 23

*Come join a group of people who, over a cup of coffee, desire a spiritual conversation that invigorates and agitates the soul to seek out the rest of what God has in store.*

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# Thursday



## **Growth Group for adults**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Room: 203**

**Facilitator:** Diane Medlock

**Group code:** TH04

**Cost:** None

**Study:** Word By Heart (Biblical Story Tellers)

**Start date:** January 27

*Just before he died, Moses encouraged all the people that God's "message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart so that you can obey it" (Deuteronomy 30:14). King David also knew how important it is to know God's word. He said, "I have bidden Your Word in my heart, that I might not sin against You" (Psalm 119:11). The Biblical Storytellers take these words seriously. We will study passages of God's word in depth, and commit them to heart.*

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# Friday



## **Growth Group for women**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Room: 108**

**Facilitator:** Susan Walters

**Group code:** FR02

**Cost:** None

**Start date:** January 28

## **The Bible That Jesus Read**

*Take a life changing journey to the heart of the scriptures that Jesus himself grew up on.... And that laid the foundation for everything that He ever said or did.*

# Thursday



## **Growth Group for men**

**7:15 a.m.**

**Location:** Sam & Ethel's restaurant in Tipp City

**Facilitator:** Jerry Miller

**Group code:** TH01

**Cost:** Whatever you spend on breakfast

**Start date:** Ongoing

*This group meets every Thursday morning to enjoy a good breakfast and discuss a scripture and devotion from Our Daily Bread.*

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## **Growth Group for women**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Room:** 206

**Facilitator:** Rhonda Hixson

**Group code:** TH03

**Cost:** \$13

**Start date:** January 27

*This women's group will continue the study by Beth Moore, Believing God. This book challenges the reader to take another look at faith. It encourages all of us to make "faith" an action rather than a noun. As we are just beginning chapter 4 all ladies interested in joining us are welcome.*

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# Sunday



## **Growth Group for parents of teens & pre-teens**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Room:** 203

**Facilitator:** Suzanne Collins/ Ken Kiplinger

**Group code:** SU05

**Cost:** None

**Start date:** January 23

*Join an environment where other parents are searching scripture and other classic studies that help them gain a perspective on the joys, challenges and pitfalls of this particular season of life.*

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# Monday



## **Growth Group for men**

7:00 p.m.

Room: 203

Facilitator: Ray Krebs

Group code: MN01

Cost: \$8

Start date: January 24

### ***Walk as Jesus Walked***

*Join renowned teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan as he guides you through the land of the Bible. Filmed on location in the middle East, the Faith Lessons DVD series will transform your understanding of God and challenge you to be a true follower of Jesus*

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## **Growth Group for women (Circle of Grace)**

7:00 p.m.

Room: 205

Facilitators: Lisa Dolvin

Group code: MN02

Cost: TBD

Start date: January 24

### ***Women's Bible Study***

*Women of various seasons of life met to study God's word to help them grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. Curriculum for Winter Semester 2011 is still to be determined. If you are looking for a group of women to support you on your spiritual growth journey, please join us.*

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# Wednesday



## **Matthew Ministry Training**

6:30 p.m.

Room: 206

Facilitator: Mary Krebs

Group code: WE04

Cost: None

Start date: January 26

*The Matthew Ministry Training is a complete system for training and organizing lay people to provide one-to-one Christian care to the homebound and nursing home residents from our congregation. This training will equip you to express God's care and love through your life to others, share communion, and offer friendship and a listening ear. "Love one another....as I have loved you."*

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Will meet the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wednesday of each  
month in Room 108  
9:15am – 11:30am  
For more information  
contact Andrea Hoover  
at 937-654-0785 or e-mail  
at [ahoover@woh.rr.com](mailto:ahoover@woh.rr.com)

# Wednesday



## Core Belief Class (6 weeks)

6:30 p.m.

Room: 108

Facilitator: Dan Glover

Group code: C101

Cost: None

Start date: January 26

### Core Beliefs: The basic beliefs of the Christian faith

*Core Beliefs is a 6-week class where you will learn the basics of Christianity. Build a solid foundation for your faith, learn to navigate your way around the Bible and more! With plenty of group interaction and an opportunity to connect with others, you'll have a great time moving forward on your journey.*

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## Core Principles Class (6 weeks)

6:30 p.m.

Room: 108

Facilitator: Dan Glover

Group code: C201

Cost: None

Start date: March 16

### Core Principles: What is a fully committed follower of Jesus?

*Believing in Jesus as savior is the bottom line of the Christian faith but, to become a Christ-follower, we have to go beyond simply believing. Core Principles will introduce you to what it means to live a committed Christian lifestyle and give you a closer look at the deeply held principles that drive the behavior of a fully committed follower. **This class is a pre-requisite to membership at Tipp City United Methodist Church.***

# Monday



## Growth Group *for women*

7:00 p.m.

Room: 209

Facilitator: Mary Krebs & Kathy Glover

Group code: MN03

Cost: \$13

Start date: January 24

***Here and Now...There and Then** by Beth Moore is a lecture series on the book of Revelation. Beth presents many points of view, allowing women to decide for themselves when the interpretation varies among scholars. She teaches that God is as specific about what He does reveal as He is about what He does not reveal. Each of the DVD 11 sessions is approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes. There is a listening guide with light homework.*

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## DIVORCE *Care* for adults

7:00pm

Room: 206

Facilitator: Rhonda Hixson

Group Code: MN04

Cost: \$14

Start Date: January 24

*DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. It's a place where you can be around people who understand what you are feeling. It's a place where you can hear valuable information about ways to heal from the hurt of divorce.*

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# Wednesday



**Growth Group** for anyone wanting to learn to share their faith.

**8:00 p.m.**

**Room: 300**

**Facilitator:** Ben Lilly

**Group code:** WE01

**Cost:** \$10.00

**Study:** The Coffeehouse Gospel

**Start date:** January 26

*The Art of evangelism is not one to be mastered; it's more lifestyle than duty and more natural process than calculated function of necessity. It's God's resounding request for His followers to participate in His story.*

*Your spiritual, mental, and emotional involvement is key to being an engaged follower of Jesus who naturally and effortlessly shares your faith story.*

*"The Coffeehouse Gospel" isn't about Jesus being shared in the comfy surroundings of a coffeehouse.*

*On the contrary, this book will help you re-discover your call to share your personal story in the everyday.*

*God has called you to participate in His story..... Will You?*

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# Wednesday



**Growth Group** for men, women, couples, singles

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Room: 205**

**Facilitator:** Ginny Green

**Group code:** WE02

**Cost:** \$8 (purchasing book is optional)

**Start date:** February 2

**Faith Lessons III: Life and Ministry of Jesus**

*Filmed on location in Israel, this video series brings the Bible to life. By combining historical, cultural, religious and geographical context, teacher and historian, Ray Vander Laan, reveals insights into the significance of scripture in today's world.*

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**Cost:** \$13

**Start date:** January 26

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