



Small Groups

Fall 2011

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Dear MBC Family,

Success at Metro Believers Church is defined by how effectively our ministries move people from our “*large celebration services*” into “*small groups*.”

We believe the small group is the best place for sustained life-change to occur. In a small group, people study God's Word together and are in a small enough environments to discuss the issues and challenges of life. It's also where they pray, care for one another, and are missed if they don't show up.

Practically speaking, there will never be a way for the staff to personally minister to everyone who attends our church. That's why we place such a high value on small groups. It's how we *effectively* minister at Metro Believers Church.

This fall semester promises to be an opportunity for life-changing connections.

If you're not already in a small group, be sure to make being in one a priority as you plan your schedule for the fall. Take some time to look through this directory of small groups. I'm sure you'll find one that fits you. Then contact the leader to say that you are interested.

Metro Believers Church is a very exciting church to be a part of, but in order for you to reach your potential, you will need to connect and experience the reality of “*doing life together*.”

Pastor Glenn

Metro Believers Church

exists to provide a place for people

to **B**egin their walk with God through
evangelism,

to **B**elong through fellowship,

to **B**ecome Christ-like through
discipleship,

to **B**enefit through ministry and
servanthood and

to **B**ond with God through
celebration and worship.

“Our Goal Is Simple—

To Help You Reach His”

MBC Core Values

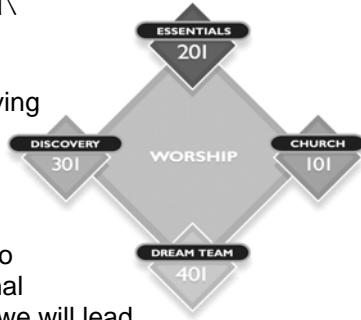
1. We value demonstrated devotion to Jesus Christ and His cause, using spiritual gifts we have been given.
2. We value God's viable presence, as a catalyst for changed lives when we meet to honor God and study the Bible.
3. We value "doing life together," fostering loving relationships that permeate every level of community.
4. We value being culturally relevant as a church while remaining doctrinally pure.
5. We value authenticity and the hunger for continuous spiritual growth in the lives of Christ's followers.
6. We value people and therefore honor, serve, and treat them with respect.
7. We value global outreach and will devote significant time, energy, and finances towards it, providing leadership, materials, and prayer.
8. We value the unity of believers and will honor and support other life-giving churches and individuals who love God.
9. We value prayer, both individually and corporately, as vital, effective, and real communication with God.
10. We value "having a blast" while serving God.

CHARACTERISTICS OF SMALL GROUPS

- ✓ They meet on a regular basis..
- ✓ They have 3 or more people attending, including the leader.
- ✓ They develop and identify an assistant leader.
- ✓ The group meeting includes one or more of the following: *prayer, worship, Bible study, and/or testimonies.*
- ✓ Unless otherwise specified, the group welcomes new people into meetings.
- ✓ They are supported by church pastors and leaders.
- ✓ They develop group members into future leaders.
- ✓ They encourage members to invite people who are outside the church.
- ✓ They grow.

MBC GROWTH TRACK

Our mission is to reach people in the greater Madison area with the life-giving message of Jesus so that they might become fully devoted followers of Christ. Our Growth Track offers the tools necessary to make this happen in your life. From the initial decision to accept Jesus as your Lord to your final destination in life-changing ministry, we will lead you step-by-step through healing, growth, and finally leadership.



For times, locations, or more information about any of these events, please call Metro Believers Church at (608) 833-8233.

Church 101 is the perfect opportunity to find out more about Metro Believers Church. This class is the basic introduction to our church family. Since we have members from many different church backgrounds, this class was designed to clearly explain “who MBC is” and “what we believe”.

Essentials 201 teaches the core of our faith by providing the tools necessary to help each believer become a spiritually mature disciple of Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 4:14-15 Ph) “We are not meant to remain as children... but to grow up in every way into Christ...”

Discovery 301 helps you take a step towards understanding how your uniquely designed personality, coupled with the spiritual gifts God has given you, help reveal a fulfilling path to your destiny. Proverbs 25:2 says it is God’s privilege to conceal things and our privilege to discover them. Together, let’s discover all that God has planned for our generation and make a positive difference for the Kingdom.

Dream Team 401 - It’s time to take the step toward being a part of a team at MBC. We all have unique ways to serve or lead and this is your opportunity to find your niche... join the Metro Believers Church Dream Team!

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Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER

September 16	Regional Worship Night- <i>Springs of Hope Fellowship</i>
September 18	Small Group Ministry Fair
September 25	Small Group Spring Semester Begins

OCTOBER

October 6	Leadership Summit
October 9	Church 101
October 16	Essentials 201
October 23	Discovery 301
October 30	Dream Team 401

NOVEMBER

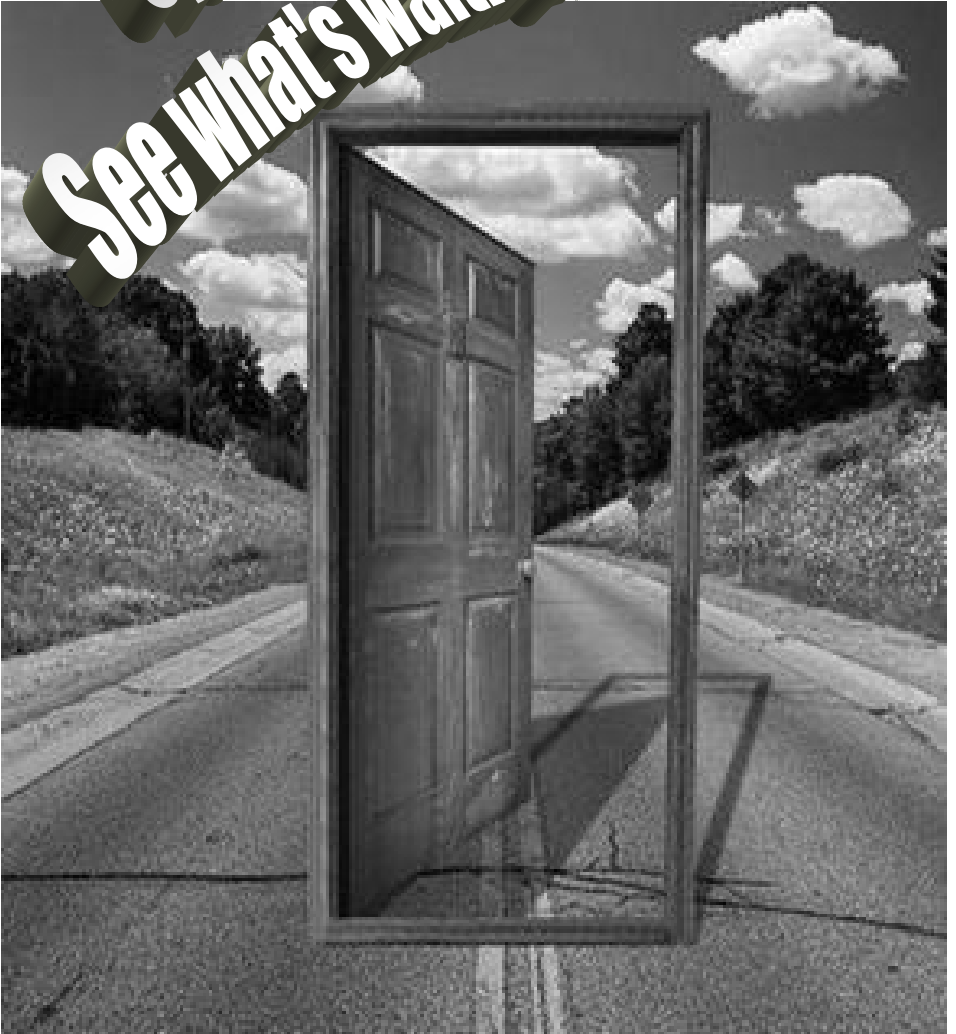
November 4	Regional Worship Night- <i>Capitoland Christian Center</i>
November 6	Daylight Savings
November 19	Small Group Semester Ends
November 24	Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

December 4	MBC Christmas Party
December 11	MBC Kid's Christmas Program
December 24	Christmas Eve Service
December 25	Christmas Day – no service

Open the door...

See what's waiting for you.



SMALL GROUP OFFERINGS

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Chapter Summary Bible Study

Spiritual, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Thursday 7 - 9 pm **Enrollment limits:** 12 people

Chapter Summary Bible Study is a simple, but challenging way to get into God's word & grow together. This is an on-going group and this is a great time for you to jump in. We'll be finishing the book of John soon and would love to hear what you'd like to study next. Come join us in growing together.

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Meeting place: The McCarthy Home: 1 Bishops Hill Circle, Madison

Prerequisites: A desire to get into the bible, discuss what God is showing you, and help each other do something about what we're learning.

No childcare available

Exposed

Creative Arts

Class dates: 10/19/2011 - 3/14/2012 **Mtg Day/Time:** 3rd Wednesday 7:30 pm

Exposed is a photography small group geared toward dslr and slr cameras. Whether you have a passion for photography or some minor interest, exposed will enhance and sharpen your skills, build and stretch your creativity, and continue to deepen your passion and love for photography. We will ask questions, teach, and learn as we work together to create art and photograph the amazing things that God has created. Over the next 6 months we will be going through Bryan Peterson's book "Understanding Exposure", discussing a chapter in depth every month. There will be a photo challenge every month to stretch your creativity. Everyone will bring in an 8x10 print of their favorite shot from each photo challenge for peer critique and review.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Josh Witzel
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Meeting place: TBA

Prerequisites: Book- Understanding Exposure by Bryan Peterson. Having 1-8x10 photograph printed every month (\$1.99 + each depending where printed). SLR or DSLR (all cameras welcome).

No childcare available

Four Winds Euchre

Outreach, Service

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Thursday 5:45 - 8:30 pm **Enrollment limits:** 8 people

We are called to take care of the widows and the orphans. Sometimes the thing that people need most is companionship, which we will be giving to the residents of Four Winds Manor by playing Euchre. Currently the group is on a 3 week rotation where we play every 3 weeks. Frequency to be determined by the group.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Sue Hogard
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Meeting place: Four Winds Retirement Community
303 South Jefferson, Verona

Prerequisites: Must be able to play Euchre

No childcare available



TRUMPS & TRICKS

Full Potential Wellness

Health & Fitness

Class dates: 9/29/2011 - 11/17/2011

Mtg Day/Time: Thursday 6 - 7 pm

Enrollment limits: 30 people

Our purpose is to help as many families as possible reach their optimal health naturally. When you are optimally healthy you are able to give, love, and serve to your Full Potential as God intended you to do! Join us and develop your own game plan for a lifetime of radiant vitality!

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Chaz Ebert
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Meeting place: Full Potential Chiropractic
6514 Odana Road, Madison

Prerequisites: A desire to reach your Full Potential health naturally!

No childcare available

Habitat for Humanity

Outreach, Service

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Saturday 7:30 am - 4 pm

Enrollment limits: 8 people

The mission of Habitat for Humanity is to bring the community together to build homes for people in need. Come join us as we serve others and have a blast doing it!

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Mike Lieberman

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Meeting place: Meet at a central location, then carpool to job site.

Prerequisites: Must be fairly good with tools

No childcare available

Homemade Haven

Creative Arts

Class dates: 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12

Mtg Day/Time: Every other Saturday 9 - 11:30 am

Enrollment limits: 8 people

Get out your sewing machines... we're repurposing clothes. Super easy projects transforming t-shirts to skirts, men's shirts into little girl's dresses, scarves from scraps and adding beauty to an old t-shirt. If you've ever wanted to learn how to sew or make easy, beautiful clothing don't miss this group!

Leader(s) Contact Information:

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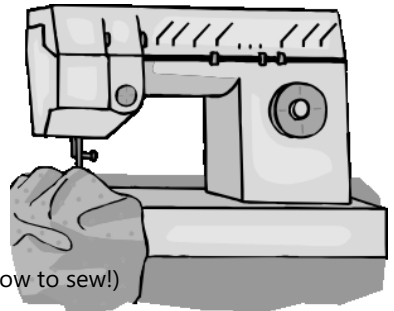
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Meeting place: The Hanson Home
440 Breckenridge Road, Verona

Prerequisites: Basic sewing skills
(we'll teach you if you don't know how to sew!)

No childcare available



Ladies Bible Study

Women, Spiritual, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Monday 12:15 - 1:15 pm

Take a break and enjoy some coffee while fellowshiping with other women eager to know more about God and His word.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

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Meeting place: The Olsen Home

7742 Radcliffe Drive Apartment G, Madison

Prerequisites: Bring your bible.

No childcare available

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage

Family, Marriage

Class dates: 9/29/2011 - 11/17/2011

Mtg Day/Time: Every other Thursday 7 - 8:30 pm

Enrollment limits: 8 couples

Come and learn to "Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage" with nationally known speaker Mark Gungor. This fun down to earth seminar has been taught around the world and has helped thousands of couples learn the secrets of a fulfilled marriage.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Glenn Smith

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Meeting place: The Smith Home

3730 Cardinal Point Trail, Verona

Prerequisites: Each couple will need to take an online test - \$25/couple

No childcare available

Men's Breakfast - Tuesday

Men, Bible Study, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Tuesday 6 - 7 am

Enrollment limits: 8 men

Join us for a men's breakfast and a follow up discussion of the message preached on Sunday morning.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

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Meeting place: Coppertop Restaurant
5501 Schroeder Road, Madison

Prerequisites: Your Bible

No childcare available

Men's Breakfast - Thursday

Men, Bible Study, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Thursday 7 - 8 am

Enrollment limits: 8 men

Join a group of men committed to growing in our faith, building an authentic accountability structure & supporting one-another through the ups & downs of life!

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Glenn Smith

Paul Moser

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Meeting place: Pancake Café
6220 Nesbitt Road, Fitchburg

Prerequisites: Buy your own breakfast.

No childcare available

Men's Breakfast - Saturday

Men, Fellowship

Mtg Days/Time: Saturday 9/17, 11/19 7 - 10 am

Enrollment limits: 25 men

Join us for a men's breakfast and a great discussion of our faith in Jesus Christ.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

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Meeting place: The Phillips Home

5145 Whitcomb Drive, Madison

Prerequisites: Must be male and have an open heart.

No childcare available

Men's Lunch - Monday

Men, Bible Study, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Monday 11:30 am - 1 pm

Enrollment limits: 6 men

Join a group of men committed to growing in our faith, building an authentic accountability structure & supporting one-another through the ups & downs of life! Currently studying the book of Isaiah.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

Name: Dan McCarthy

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Meeting place: Sunprint Café

1 S Pinckney Street (Downtown), Madison

Prerequisites: Buy your own lunch.

No childcare available

Missions 101

Outreach

Class dates: 9/25/2011 - 11/13/2011

Mtg Day/Time: Sunday 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Enrollment limits:

For all professing believers, this group will explore our Great Commission by overviewing the purpose and discussing a practical biblical perspective on christian missions. We will attempt to answer the questions: What is missions? Why is missions important? Who is called to missions? Where is missions taking place? How can I get involved in missions? Children are welcome to attend with parents!



Leader(s) Contact Information:

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Meeting place: The Capps Home
841 Twin Pine, Madison

Prerequisites: None

No separate childcare available

Page Turners

Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: 1st Monday of the month 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Enrollment limits: 12 people-CLOSED for Fall Session

We each take turns picking a book to read for the month. We then get together to discuss the book over dessert or dinner.

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Mary Jo Angevine

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Meeting place: Varies: Coppertop, Panera, etc.
, Madison

Prerequisites: books - usually can be picked up at the library.

No childcare available

Reaching a Broken Generation

Outreach

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Tuesday 6-8:30 pm

Enrollment limits: 5 people

Come share God's love with a broken generation (teen ages 11-17). When life's decisions could mean life or death, you can be the voice of life and reason. Come with us to the local Juvenile Detention Center and experience group prayer, getting to know hurting youth, sharing testimonies, and letting God use you in prayer for their needs.

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Meeting place: County Court Building

Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard (near the Capitol, 2nd floor),
Madison

Prerequisites: No experience needed. Must be 18 years old to participate.

No childcare available

Serving Your Faith Body (MBC)

Service

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Mondays or Saturdays 8:30 - 11 am

Are you a little compulsive about keeping things clean and don't mind a little sweeping or scrubbing? If so then we want YOU! Each month we serve a family in our faith body right here at MBC by cleaning their home. Please come join us and show the love of Christ to others within your own community.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

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Meeting place: TBA

Prerequisites: A desire to serve others,
fellowship with the body,
and a willingness to work hard.

No childcare available



Women of the Word - 'WOW' Women, Bible Study, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Every other Thursday 9:30 - 11 am

Enrollment limits: 8 women

Topic driven discussion group - awesome opportunity to learn and grow in our faith and walk with God.

Leader(s) Contact Information:

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Meeting place: Yola's Café 494 Commerce Drive, Madison

Prerequisites: Women Only. Purchase a Book.

No childcare available



Youth Group

Our youth ministry exists to equip and encourage teenagers to know God, to become more like Christ every day, to realize God's word is relevant today, to serve God and others, and to be an unashamed witness for Christ. 1 Timothy 4:12: Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. This verse is the biblical foundation on which we have built our youth group. As well as our weekly Wednesday meetings, we get together on the 2nd Sunday of every month to encourage the joy and fun of youth while growing future 'Timothys' to have strong character in Him. We look forward to seeing new teens join us as we transform ourselves, our city and the world for Christ!

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Bible Study

Youth, Bible Study

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: Wednesday 7 - 8:30 pm

Enrollment limits: unlimited

Meeting place: Junction Square: Inside Princeton Club Watts Rd,
Madison

Prerequisites: 6-12th graders - Bring your bible and a desire to learn
God's Word!

No childcare available

Sunday Night

Youth, Bible Study, Fellowship

Class dates: ongoing

Mtg Day/Time: 2nd Sunday of the month 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Enrollment limits: unlimited

Meeting place: The Diaz Home 6205 Oak Hollow Drive, Oregon

Prerequisites: 6-12th graders...bring yourself...bring a friend and be
ready for some fun!!

No childcare available

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