



C3 CHURCH
CHERRYBROOK

Starting Point

Salvation

WEEK ONE

Salvation is the work God does in our hearts. When we give our lives to Jesus, our past is forgiven, God purifies our present, and our future is secured.

Romans 10:9 (NLT)

If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Salvation involves:

REPENTANCE – turning from sin

FAITH – in what Jesus has done for us (He paid for our sin and renewed our relationship with God, through His death and resurrection).

Discussion Questions

- What is sin?

To sin is to do something that displeases God. Sin is living independently from God. Sin is wanting to be in control of our own lives.

Romans 3:23 (NLT)

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.

- What are the consequences of sin?

Sin separates us from God (Isaiah 59:2)

Sin causes spiritual death (Ephesians 2:1-2)

Sin brings judgement and everlasting punishment (Romans 6:23)

- What is repentance?
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Repentance means turning around from sin and admitting that we need Jesus.

Read Luke 15:11-32 (The Lost Son)

Discuss the Parable of the Lost Son.

Memorising Scripture

It is imperative that we learn to memorise scripture. This helps us in many ways. Firstly, memorising scripture gives us a solid grounding in the Word of God. When we experience doubts or negative feelings, we can remind ourselves of the Word of God and be encouraged to continue on with the life we've chosen in Jesus. Jesus Himself said these words in:

Matthew 28:20 (NLT)

"Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Secondly, memorising scripture can help us to encourage others when they feel weak or are going through a particularly difficult trial.

Hebrews 10:24-25 (NLT)

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

Discuss the importance of memorising scripture.

- Does anyone have any questions?
- Remember to do your homework task – it involves a section on faith.
- ***Bring back any questions from your homework next week!***

HOMEWORK TASK - WEEK 1 – Read, Reflect and Write

Repentance Involves:

- A change of mind

True repentance is a firm, inward decision; a change of mind. After you admit your sin and accept that you are wrong, you can be healed, receive forgiveness and be right with God.

- A change of heart

David cries out to God, "...against You and You only have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight." (Psalm 51:4) (NIV)

The Lost Son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son." (Luke 15:21) (NIV)

With both, there was a deep personal sorrow because of their sin.

- A change of will

David, by his own words, and the Lost Son, by his actions, both showed a change of will. There was a true willingness, not only for the past to be forgiven, but also for the future to be changed.

This is essential.

How do we seek God's forgiveness?

We demonstrate our repentance by confessing our sin.

1 John 1:8-9 (NLT)

If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. But if we confess our sins to Him, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

What is faith in God?

What does faith mean to you? (Reflect and Write)

FAITH IS:

- Trusting God and believing what He has said, instead of relying on our feelings or human reasoning.
- Having confidence in God. We can be confident that God will keep His promises and help us because He has shown us how trustworthy He is by saving us.

Hebrews 11:1-3 The Message (MSG)

Faith in What We Don't See

The fundamental fact of existence is that this trust in God, this faith, is the firm foundation under everything that makes life worth living. It's our handle on what we can't see. The act of faith is what distinguished our ancestors, set them above the crowd.

By faith, we see the world called into existence by God's word, what we see created by what we don't see.

How do we receive faith?

- Faith is a gift from God (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- Faith comes from hearing (Romans 10:17)
- Faith develops through our **knowledge** and **experience** of God and His faithfulness. The more we have faith toward God, the more we experience His faithfulness, and the more our faith grows.

Meditate on the following verses every day this week:

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 (MSG)

A New Life

Our firm decision is to work from this focused centre: One man died for everyone. That puts everyone in the same boat. He included everyone in his death so that everyone could also be included in his life, a resurrection life, a far better life than people ever lived on their own.

Because of this decision we don't evaluate people by what they have or how they look. We looked at the Messiah that way once and got it all wrong, as you know. We certainly don't look at him that way anymore. Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created new. The old life is gone; a new life burgeons! Look at it! All this comes from the God who settled the relationship between us and him, and then called us to settle our relationships with each other. God put the world square with himself through the Messiah, giving the world a fresh start by offering forgiveness of sins. God has given us the task of telling everyone what he is doing. We're Christ's representatives. God uses us to persuade men and women to drop their differences and enter into God's work of making things right between them. We're speaking for Christ himself now: Become friends with God; he's already a friend with you.

How? you ask. In Christ. God put the wrong on Him who never did anything wrong, so we could be put right with God.

Not being ashamed of the gospel

WEEK TWO

Memory Verse

Romans 1:16 (NLT)

For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—the Jew first and also the Gentile.

THE BIBLE

THE WORD OF GOD IS THE MOST POWERFUL FORCE IN THE WORLD! GOD'S WORD GIVES LIFE. GOD SPOKE AND THE WORLD WAS CREATED (GENESIS 1). GOD'S PROMISES ARE TRUE, HIS WORD NEVER FAILS.

What have you read so far?

What do you know about the Bible?

Discuss

God's Word (the Bible) is described as:

Seed

In the parable of the sower (Luke 8:4-15 read through scripture), the seed is the Word of God and its purpose is to bring growth and fruitfulness in to the lives of those who hear and receive it.

Milk

1 Peter 2:2 (NLT)

Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation.

The milk referred to here is the Word of God (the Bible). We need to read this regularly, meditate on it and obey it. This is basic for Christian growth and maturity. Without it we will stay as spiritual babies and will die if we're not fed.

Why is the Word of God so important?

The Bible is the inspired Word of God. It contains 66 books, by 40 writers, covering a period of approximately 1600 years.

The Word of God is God speaking to man. The Bible is a record of God's revelation of Himself to us through the ages.

WATER BAPTISM

What is Water Baptism?

Baptism is the physical act of being immersed in water that symbolizes the Christ-follower's death to sin, and the resurrection of a new life in Jesus. Baptism identifies us with Christ's death, burial and resurrection.

Essentially it's an outward act that signifies something that has already taken place on the inside of you. Baptism also reminds us of the fulfilment that lies ahead of us. It looks forward to the time when we will die, be buried and most importantly be resurrected to eternal life.

When should you be Water Baptised?

As soon as possible after deciding to follow Jesus.

In the New Testament it was:-

- "Same day" (Acts 2:41)
- "When they believed" (Acts 8:12, 37-38)

Why should you be Water Baptised?

Primarily because it's an act of obedience to Jesus' command in The Great Commission. (Matt 28:19-20). Water Baptism is a public expression of an inner motivation.

Even Jesus was baptised to provide an example for us to follow. (Matt 3:15)

How do I get Water Baptised?

By immersion.

In the New Testament we read of people going 'down into' and 'up out of' the water to be baptised. (Acts 8:38)

- Are there any Questions?
- Take homework sheets
- ***Remember to bring back any questions you may have from your homework!***

HOMEWORK TASK - WEEK 2 – Read, Reflect and Write

How can we learn from the Word of God?

There are five ways we can take in the Word of God:

- **Hearing**

Hearing the Word from godly pastors and teachers provides us insight into others' study of scripture as well as our own appetite for the Word.

- **Reading**

Reading the Bible gives us an overall picture of God's Word. It's important to pray before we read, asking God to speak and give us understanding.

Underline any verses God makes especially relevant. Have a pen and paper handy to write down anything you feel God is saying to you or anything that is helpful to you.

- **Studying**

Studying the scriptures leads us into personal discoveries of God's truths.

- **Memorizing**

Memorizing God's Word enables us to use the Sword of the Spirit (another name for the Bible) to overcome Satan and temptation. Memorizing the Bible verses also helps us to have it readily available for sharing our faith or helping to encourage and love others.

- **Meditating**

Christian meditation seeks to fill the mind with Christ. Only as we meditate on God's Word – thinking of its meaning and application to our lives – will we discover its transforming power at work within us.

John 14:23 (NIV)

23 Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them."

Meditate on the following verse every day this week:

John 15:7-8 (NIV)

If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to My Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be My disciples.

I will build My church

WEEK THREE

Jesus said to the apostle Peter:

Matthew 16:18 (NLV)

...I will build My church. *The powers of hell will not be able to*
have **power** *over* **My church.**

The Church is God's way of building His family. From the beginning of time, God determined that humanity should never be alone (Genesis 2:18). He wrote it into our very nature to want to be with other people. Because of this need, God made it so that His people worked together and fit together like a body (Ephesians 4:16).

The importance of being a part of the Community of Believers is so that you would be a part of this family of God, and also that you would be a part of the "Body of Christ" (meaning His Church).

Being a part of the "Body of Christ" means:

- You belong to the family of God (Ephesians 2:19)
- You get encouragement to grow spiritually (Hebrews 10:24)
- Other people help to strengthen and shape you for the better (Proverbs 27:17)
- You become part of a sign to the world that God is real (John 17:21)
- You become an important part of the functioning of the Kingdom (1 Peter 4:10 & 1 Corinthians 12:27)
- It is the most fun you will ever have!

We all want to belong to someone. When we accept Jesus, we belong to God (1 Peter 2:9). And in turn, we are adopted into His family (Ephesians 1:5). Being a part of God's family offers so many benefits – the best being that you do not have to do life alone!

The dangers of being alone:

The devil does not want you to be surrounded by other people. He knows the power of a group of people with one mind and one intent (Matthew 18:19-21). He tries all he can to keep you separated from other believers (1 Peter 5:8).

Why gather together in Church?

The House of God (Church) is where all the believers meet to be:

- Fed
- Encouraged
- Empowered

Since the birth of the Church, the believers have gathered together so that they could grow together and walk the path of faith in Jesus as one group (Acts 2:46).

It is important to understand that God built His home (Church) here on earth so that we could come together with Him to live life to its fullest potential (John 10:10).

When we gather together in Church or at smaller group meetings, we can:

- Serve one another (Galatians 5:13)
- Accept one another (Romans 15:7)
- Forgive one another (Colossians 3:13)
- Submit to one another (Ephesians 5:21)
- Encourage one another (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

Read through these scriptures and discuss.

- Answer any questions
- Take your homework sheets!
- ***Remember to bring any questions next week***

HOMEWORK TASK - WEEK 3 – Read, Reflect and Write

The Act of Giving

Honouring God with your money:

The act of giving God a portion of your income is called the Tithe

1 Corinthians 16:1-4 (MSG)

Regarding the relief offering for poor Christians that is being collected, you get the same instructions I gave the churches in Galatia. Every Sunday each of you make an offering and put it in safekeeping. Be as generous as you can. When I get there you'll have it ready, and I won't have to make a special appeal. Then after I arrive, I'll write letters authorizing whomever you delegate, and send them off to Jerusalem to deliver your gift. If you think it best that I go along, I'll be glad to travel with them.

The Bible instructs that the Tithe is 10% of your income given to God in order to:

- Care for the House of God
- Build His Kingdom
- Support the work of His ministry inside and outside of the Church

Any financial gift that goes above the Tithe is called an Offering. Offerings are used to:

- Help the poor
- Help believers in need
- Support the preaching of the Gospel
- Support ministries around the world

In order to keep God centre in our lives, we need to give Him of our finances. How do we do this?

- Giving 10% of our income to God (the Tithe)
- Giving towards the building of the Kingdom (the Offering)
- Giving to help the community (Helping the poor)
- Giving to the benefit of other ministers (Honouring Prophets)

Why do we give?

We give because everything we have comes from God (Psalm 24:1), he provides for all our needs according to His vast riches and glory (Philippians 4:19).

What does giving do?

The act of giving does several things. The first and most important is that it positions your heart. When you give, you are showing God that He is your master and not money (Matthew 6:24).

Giving also shifts your attitude. When we give to God, we should give:

- Willingly (2 Corinthians 9:7 & 12)
- Cheerfully (2 Corinthians 9:7)
- Above and beyond (2 Corinthians 8:3-4)
- Generously (2 Corinthians 9:6)

Giving also brings the favour of God into your life

When we give:

- We become more like God (John 3:16)
- We are drawn to God and His will (Matthew 6:21)
- We sacrifice our pride (1 Timothy 6:17-19)
- We strengthen our faith (Proverbs 3:9)
- We invest into our future (1 Timothy 6:18-19)
- We receive blessings and prosperity (Proverbs 11:25)
- We will be happy (Acts 20:35)

The final key to giving is that you give yourself over to God (2 Corinthians 8:5). If you give yourself over to God through your generosity with your money, God will rain blessing upon your life. He dares you to test Him on this! (Malachi 3:10). So give, and watch what the Lord will do.

Meditate on the following verse every day this week:

2 Corinthians 9: 6-8 (NIV)

⁶ Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

⁸ And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Holy Spirit

WEEK FOUR

We Believe:

There is one God: God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. This is the Trinity.

How do we live this new life that God has given us when we accepted Jesus as Lord and Saviour?

By His Holy Spirit.

Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is the third part of the Trinity.

Jesus tells His disciples about the Holy Spirit in:

John 14:1-21, and 25-27 (NIV)

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in Me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where You are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you really know Me, you will know My Father as well. From now on, you do know Him and have seen Him." Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." Jesus answered: "Don't you know Me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in Me? The words I say to you I do not speak on My own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in Me, who is doing His work. Believe Me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in Me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in My name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask Me for anything in My name, and I will do it. "If you love Me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept Him, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. But you know Him, for He lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see Me anymore, but you will see Me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in Me, and I am in you. Whoever has My

commands and keeps them is the one who loves Me. The one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

"All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Discuss after reading through the passage.

How can the Holy Spirit help you?

The Holy Spirit is described as:

- Our Helper
 - Our Comforter
 - Our Advocate
 - The Spirit of Truth (John 14:26)
 - The enabling power for our immortal bodies
- Please read John 14:16, 14:26, 15:26, 16:7, 16:13, Romans 8:11

On the day we accept Jesus as Lord and Saviour into our hearts; He comes and takes up residence in us by His Holy Spirit. (Jesus is actually sitting at the right hand side of the Father in heaven now, interceding for us).

The Holy Spirit will never leave us.

In fact, that is the work of the Holy Spirit: at the time of our conversion the Holy Spirit takes us and places us into the Body of Christ – we are now part of the Church – it is part of our salvation experience.

1 Corinthians 12:13 (NLT)

...we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit.

This is the first thing the Holy Spirit does for us - He places us into the Body of Christ – the Church. But there's more!

To live this new life we've begun, we need the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Baptism means to be 'fully immersed or placed into.' So we ask Jesus to baptise us with His Holy Spirit. John the Baptist tells us about this baptism in:

Matthew 3:11 (NLT)

"I baptise with water those who repent of their sins and turn to God. But someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I'm not worthy even to be His slave and carry His sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

In order to live this new life in Jesus and be involved in spiritual ministry and service, we can only accomplish this by the power of the Holy Spirit – not human strength and ability. As Zechariah 4:6 (NIV) tells us, *'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord Almighty.*

Jesus told His disciples to wait until they received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. *"And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven"* (Luke 24:49) (NLT).

Acts 1:8 (NLT) also confirms this for us:

"... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be My witnesses, telling people about Me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

In the baptism of the Holy Spirit, we receive power to be an effective witness for Jesus. i.e. we receive joy, freedom, boldness and confidence in sharing with others who Jesus is and what He has done for us personally.

Baptism in the Holy Spirit also releases spiritual gifts in us for serving, i.e. for doing good and helping others. (Please read Ephesians 4:11, Romans 12:5-8, 1 Corinthians 12:7-11, 1 Peter 4:10-11).

This unleashes the purpose of our lives. Living according to how God shapes us also brings fulfilment, meaning and purpose. We also experience deep satisfaction and God's pleasure.

The Holy Spirit's ministry in prayer is also very powerful and precious. Sometimes praying in human strength and human words can be difficult, but through the Holy Spirit, we can pray according to God's will. We can connect to God spirit to Spirit as described in:

Romans 8:26-27(NLT)

And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words. And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will.

- Discuss and ask any questions
- Take your homework sheets!
- Please see the course leader or a pastor if you have any questions

Meditate on the following verses every day this week:

John 14:15-27 (MSG)

The Spirit of Truth

15-17 *"If you love me, show it by doing what I've told you. I will talk to the Father, and he'll provide you another Friend so that you will always have someone with you. This Friend is the Spirit of Truth. The godless world can't take him in because it doesn't have eyes to see him, doesn't know what to look for. But you know him already because he has been staying with you, and will even be in you!*

18-20 *"I will not leave you orphaned. I'm coming back. In just a little while the world will no longer see me, but you're going to see me because I am alive and you're about to come alive. At that moment you will know absolutely that I'm in my Father, and you're in me, and I'm in you.*

21 *"The person who knows my commandments and keeps them, that's who loves me. And the person who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and make myself plain to him."*

22 *Judas (not Iscariot) said, "Master, why is it that you are about to make yourself plain to us but not to the world?"*

23-24 *"Because a loveless world," said Jesus, "is a sightless world. If anyone loves me, he will carefully keep my word and my Father will love him—we'll move right into the neighbourhood! Not loving me means not keeping my words. The message you are hearing isn't mine. It's the message of the Father who sent me.*

25-27 *"I'm telling you these things while I'm still living with you. The Friend, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send at my request, will make everything plain to you. He will remind you of all the things I have told you. I'm leaving you well and whole. That's my parting gift to you. Peace. I don't leave you the way you're used to being left—feeling abandoned, bereft. So don't be upset. Don't be distraught.*

HOMEWORK TASK - WEEK 4 – Read, Reflect and Write

What is C3 Church?

C3 Church was founded by Pastor Phil and Chris Pringle. C3 grew from being one church in Sydney to a movement of churches that went global in less than ten years. Pastor Phil's vision has always been to build God's church around the world.

Who is C3?

Basically, we are:

- Genuine
- Fun
- Excited to connect
- Willing to be challenged
- Planted and not going anywhere
- Church-focused: it is the centre of our lives

A few things that define us

- Prayer
- Praise and Worship
- Faith and Vision
- Presence of God
- Prosperity
- Leadership Based
- Discipleship
- Connection
- Servanthood
- Freedom

C3 Statement of Faith

We Believe:

- That the Bible is the Word of God, that we can confidently use it to teach us what is true and help us to realise what is wrong in our lives. God uses the Bible to prepare and equip us to do every good work.
- That there is one God, God the Father, God the Son (Jesus) and God the Holy Spirit, three distinct and separate persons, one being. He is the creator of everything.
- In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God. We believe in his virgin birth, his sinless life, his miracles, his victory over death, his resurrection to life again, and his ascension to the right hand of the Father, where he is constantly praying for us, and we are expecting his return soon.

- In the work of the Holy Spirit, and his fruits and gifts that are available to the church today.
- In the existence of the devil, who seeks to destroy everyone.
- That all people are born spiritually lost, and that everyone needs to be 'born again' through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- In the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, as a gift available to all believers, as a subsequent experience to being born again, with normal evidence of speaking in other tongues.
- In the sacraments of the Lord's Supper and baptism by full immersion in water, which are for all believers.
- In the resurrection of both the saved and the lost. The saved to everlasting life with God, and the other to eternal separation from God.
- That the church is the body of Christ, and each member being an active part of a local church, fulfilling the Great Commission.

Our Corporate Vision

C3 Church seeks to...

- Build the Church
- See people saved, disciplined, and empowered
- Connect people to God, the Church and Others
- Disciple individuals to lead their best life
- Expand the Kingdom through church planting
- Create a culture that defies expectations

We believe God loved the world; therefore we love the world

We believe that the local church is the hope of the world

Each C3 Church across the globe seeks to fulfil each aspect of this vision in a manner and culture that is relevant to each individual city. No matter where you are in the world, you will be welcome at the C3 Church!

C3 Church Structure

Here at C3 Church Cherrybrook, there are four main elements that make our services great:

- Fellowship
- Worship
- The Preaching
- The Altar

Fellowship:

Fellowship, or connection and making relationships, is the foundation of our faith. Jesus spent 90% of His time with people. His greatest moments were when He was hanging out with other people for the sake of simply hanging out. Likewise, we want to meet you, get to know you, and just hang out because we like you!

Worship:

Worship prepares us for the presence of God. We worship Him because...

- He is worthy
- All He has done
- To put him first before He imparts to us as we focus on Him

Worship is the key that opens the doors to the presence of God, and we never skimp on that factor.

Preaching:

C3 Church is honoured to have an amazing team of pastors who all work together to teach the people the truth about God. Preaching and teaching here are:

- Based on the unchanging Word of God
- The uncompromising truth
- Practical and life-changing messages

The Word is the Word; it does not change, and we will not change it.

The Altar:

The Altar is ...

- A place of prayer
- A place of encounter
- Where the power of God moves to set people free
- A place of healing
- A place of peace
- A place of shifting

The Altar is the most important moment in the service. Preaching is sacrificed on the Altar. If the Spirit wants to move, we step back and let Him have His way. There is nothing more important than the Altar.

What C3 Cherrybrook has to offer:

Mums 'n' Bubs Playgroup

Children's Church

Xplode Youth – Years 6-12 at school

Young Adult Connect (YAC)

Connect Groups

C3 Cherrybrook Women

C3 Cherrybrook Men

Missions

Check out our ministries and find out more on our C3 Church Cherrybrook website.

Conclusion

This concludes our four week Starting Point course. Thank you so much for attending! We hope you now feel equipped and empowered to live and walk and thrive in your faith in Jesus Christ!

The Next Step for you in your Christian growth will be to attend a Christian Essentials Course. Please let the leader know that you would like to sign up as soon as possible.

We trust we'll be seeing you around...and we look forward to getting to know you better!

Time to Commit

Now that you know all about us and what we have to offer, do you want to become a member?

Membership Commitment

1. I will protect the unity of my Church (Rom 14:19, Heb 13:17, Eph 4:29)
 - ...by acting in love toward other members**
 - ...by refusing to gossip**
 - ...by following the leaders**

2. I will share the responsibility of my Church (1Thess 1:2, Luke 14:23-24, Rom 15:7)
 - ...by praying for Church leaders**
 - ...by inviting others to attend**
 - ...by welcoming those who visit**
 - ...by serving where needed**

3. I will serve the purpose of my Church (1 Peter 4:10, Eph 4:11-12, Phil 2:3-4,7)
 - ...by discovering my gifts and talents**
 - ...by being equipped to serve by my pastors**
 - ...by developing a servant's heart**

4. I will support the vision of my Church (Heb 10:25, Phil 1:27, 2 Cor 9:6-8)
 - ...by attending regularly**
 - ...by serving faithfully**
 - ...by giving cheerfully**

MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT

(Please read carefully before completing)

Surname _____ First Name _____

Postal Address: _____ P/C _____

Best Contact number: (H) _____ (W) _____ (Mob) _____

Email address _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Marital Status _____ Anniversary date ____/____/____

- I am over 18 years old Yes / No* (please circle)

- I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour on ____/____/____ (approx. date is ok)
OR
 - I have not yet trusted Jesus as my Lord and Saviour, but I commit to continue to learn more about a personal relationship with Him Yes / No (please circle)

- I have been baptised in water by full immersion Yes / No (please circle)
OR
 - I have not yet been baptised in water by full immersion, but I would like to express my faith and trust in Christ at the next baptism service. Yes / No (please circle)

- I agree with C3 Church Cherrybrook's Statement of Faith (copy over page, also pages 19-20)

- I agree to commit myself to the Membership in C3 Church Cherrybrook
 - ❖ To protect the unity of my Church
 - ❖ To share the responsibility of my Church
 - ❖ To serve the purpose of my Church
 - ❖ To support the vision of my Church

- I have some questions and would like to talk to a pastor. Yes / No (please circle)

* Note: if you're under 18 please be aware that we need you to be of age before you can officially be a member of C3 Church Cherrybrook. We love your enthusiasm! ☺

STATEMENT OF FAITH



What we believe:

1. There is one God: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit
2. In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ the Son of God; we believe in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His victorious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, His constant intercession and in His imminent return
3. In the person and work of the Holy Spirit with His fruits and gifts available in the Church.
4. The Bible is the living word of God. It is infallible, authoritative and everlasting and is the foundation of all Christian doctrine.
5. In the existence of an evil spiritual being known as the devil
6. In the spiritually lost condition of all people and the essential need for the new birth by faith in Jesus Christ
7. In the baptism of the Holy Spirit as a gift available to believers subsequent to the new birth, with normal evidence of speaking in other tongues
8. In the sacraments of the Lords Supper and baptism by full immersion in water for all believers
9. In the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting separation from God
10. In the church being the body of Christ, and each member being an active part of a local church, fulfilling the Great Commission.
11. Marriage was instituted by God, ratified by Jesus, and is exclusively between a man and a woman. It is a picture of Christ and his church.
12. Sex is a gift from God for procreation and unity, and it is only appropriate within and designed for marriage.

I BELIEVE AND COMMIT TO THE ABOVE STATEMENT OF FAITH.

Signed.....

Date...../...../.....

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