

LIFEGROUPS

CONNECT WITH A WEEKLY GROUP



ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIPS

JOIN A SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP

Are You Getting Lost in the Crowd?

Garden Way is a growing church—and while our Sunday morning worship services are essential, this kind of setting (a large room filled with hundreds of people), is not the best environment for building friendships and experiencing a true sense of belonging.

Get Connected!

LifeGroups and **ABFs** (Adult Bible Fellowships) provide you with a great opportunity to interact with others in a smaller, more relational setting. It is here that you can get connected and experience the loving community and genuine fellowship that we all need.

What Is a LifeGroup?

LifeGroups are small groups of 4 to 14 adults who are committed to meet together on a weekly basis to “share” life together by praying for one another, serving others and applying the Word of God to life in practical ways. It is here that you can build lasting friendships and experience a true sense of belonging.

What Is an ABF?

Adult Bible Fellowships are mid-sized gatherings of 15-40 adults, meeting together on Sunday mornings to study the Bible, build relationships, and pray for one another. It is here that you can grow in your understanding of God’s Word and engage with other believers from our church family.

How Do You Choose a LifeGroup or ABF?

While you are welcome to be a part of any of Garden Way’s **LifeGroups** or **ABFs**, you may want to consider which group you might gain the most from. Some of our groups are organized around a common age, or stage in life. Others are multi-generational, being organized around specific topics of Bible study. You may be interested in a few different groups; we encourage visiting several and then committing to the group that best “fits” you! While some people may have the time and ability to participate in both an **ABF** and a **LifeGroup**, we encourage all adults in the Garden Way Church community to at least commit to *one* group and then participate faithfully on a regular basis.



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Sundays

9:30AM

Foundations ABF

Location: Room 5

Leader: Tim Farnsworth

About Us: We're currently working through the book of James, focusing on wisdom practically applied to the Christian life. We enjoy group discussion and praying for one another.

New Testament Study ABF

Location: Lobby Office

Leader: Dick Beswick

About Us: The Old Testament history is a long and painful account of a fallen world and a tear-filled and failed search for human happiness. On top of that we lament like Paul in Romans 7:24 "Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death?" Then in the very next chapter he delivers the stunning answer, "Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." No wonder a proper understanding of the Book of Romans has been the fuel that has ignited so many revivals! We are currently in a chapter by chapter, verse by verse study of the Book of Romans. Those who like an opportunity to discuss the text openly, and draw present life applications, would enjoy this group and are welcome to join us!



11:00AM

In The Beginning ABF

Location: Room 4

Leader: Norm Fox

About Us: Our current study is Some of The Acts mostly of two of the Apostles. The class title combines an ancient description of Luke's second book with a more literal description of its actual subject matter. (Luke never claimed to be recording all the actions of all the apostles!) But there's very little quibbling over wording as we study, apply, and appreciate what the Holy Spirit truly inspired Dr. Luke to write! Join us as we explore how the Gospel of Christ began its sweep through the Roman Empire and beyond in a single generation!

The Bible Search ABF

Location: Room 5

Leader: Rick Warner

About Us: We are working through the series At Just The Right Time, based on Gal. 4:4: But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law. We have taken God's Plan for man from before time to: creation, Adam & Eve, the Great Flood, The Patriarchs, the forming of the nation of Israel, their bondage and their exodus from Egypt. In upcoming weeks we will be studying the Law, Israel's settlement of The Promised Land, some of the Judges, why a king over Israel, to the divided kingdom, the role of the prophets, and then on to the Gospels and the life of Christ incarnate. We enjoy in-depth Bible study and prayer for one another. We'd love to have you join us!

Sermon Discussion ABF

Location: Lobby Office

Leader: Rob Carney

About Us: Great interaction and encouragement each week as we spend time applying the sermon to our daily walk in practical ways. Join us as God's word propels us into the week ahead.





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NOTE: For the safety and security of our groups and group leaders, we do not publish personal contact info or street addresses on the web.

Please stop by the Welcome Center on Sunday morning for information about a particular group, or contact Rob Carney at the church office [541-683-8213]

Tuesday

Men's LifeGroup

Meets: Tuesdays 6:30-7:30am

Location: Garden Way Church

About Us: We're a God-hungry group of men from 30 to 80 years old, we pray for one another, study verse-by-verse through various books of the Bible, and did we mention... the coffee always is on! Join us!

Tuesday Night LifeGroup

Meets: Tuesday at 7:00pm

Location: Garden Way Neighborhood

About Us: We are single adults and married couples mostly in our 40's through 60's. We have a variety of Bible studies as we laugh together, pray for one another and encourage each other. From time to time we enjoy preparing and sharing meals together.

Wednesday

Senior Adult LifeGroup

Meets: Wednesdays at 10:30am

Location: Garden Way Church

About Us: We mostly are gray-headed and retired. We enjoy lively Bible discussion, and a prayer & care focus on all who attend. We enjoy coffee & snacks each week at 10:00am followed by our prayer & study time at 10:30am. We support several mission projects and enjoy special fun events throughout the year.

The Melting Pot LifeGroup

Meets: Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Location: Thurston area

About Us: Our group includes both married couples and singles and has a diverse age range. We seek to develop closer relationships to God and each other through sharing our lives, Bible discussions and prayer support. Most of our studies focus on Christian living, using the Bible as a field manual for living the life Jesus wants for us. We also have several social events each year.

Church Campus LifeGroup

Meets: Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Location: Garden Way Church

About Us: We are a mixed-age group that enjoys Bible study and prayer mixed with humor. We are wheelchair accessible, and transportation can be arranged.

East Springfield—Cedar Flat LifeGroup

Meets: Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Location: Cedar Flat

About Us: We are couples in our 50s & 60s, with a commitment to growing in knowledge of scripture, as well as expressing love, care, and support of each other.

West Springfield LifeGroup

Meets: Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Location: Gateway area

About Us: We're an "all-comers" group! We enjoy Bible studies, Christian videos and dinner outings together.

The Barnabas LifeGroup

Meets: Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Location: Cal Young Neighborhood

About Us: Barnabas was the "son of encouragement" in the Bible. We want to follow his example and encourage each other in the life of faith. We welcome adults of all ages and stages to join us.

Friday

Young Adult *LifeGroup*

Meets: Fridays at 7:00pm

Location: Northwest Springfield

About Us: We're a group in our 20s & 30s studying through the New Testament and figuring out how to live it out. We'd love to have you join us!

