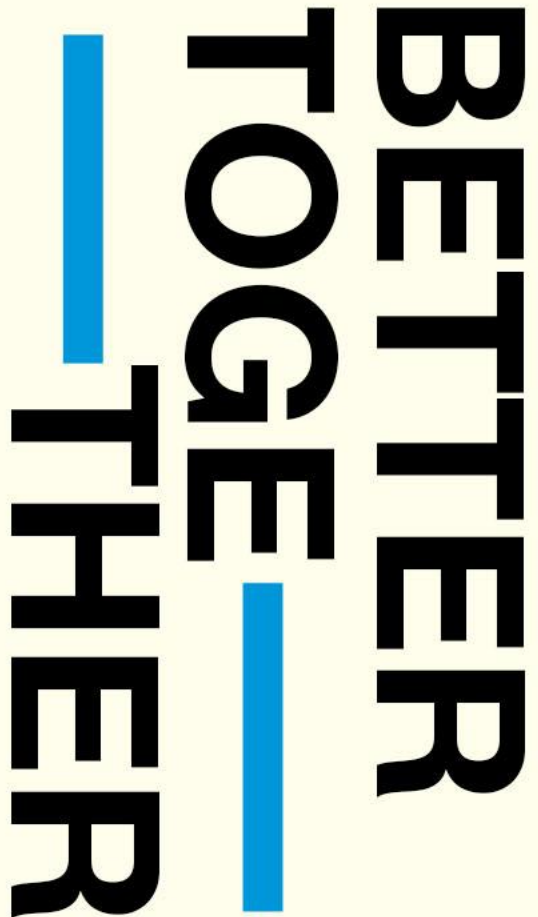




# What are BGroups

*B(elong) Groups are small gatherings of people who meet all across the city and surrounding areas to grow in their relationship with **God** and **one another**.*





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# Mission & Vision

**Mission:** Bringing all people into the life, family, and purpose of God

**Vision:** That every member of Bethany is connected in life-giving, spiritually growing relationships that empower them for ministry



# Why BGroups?

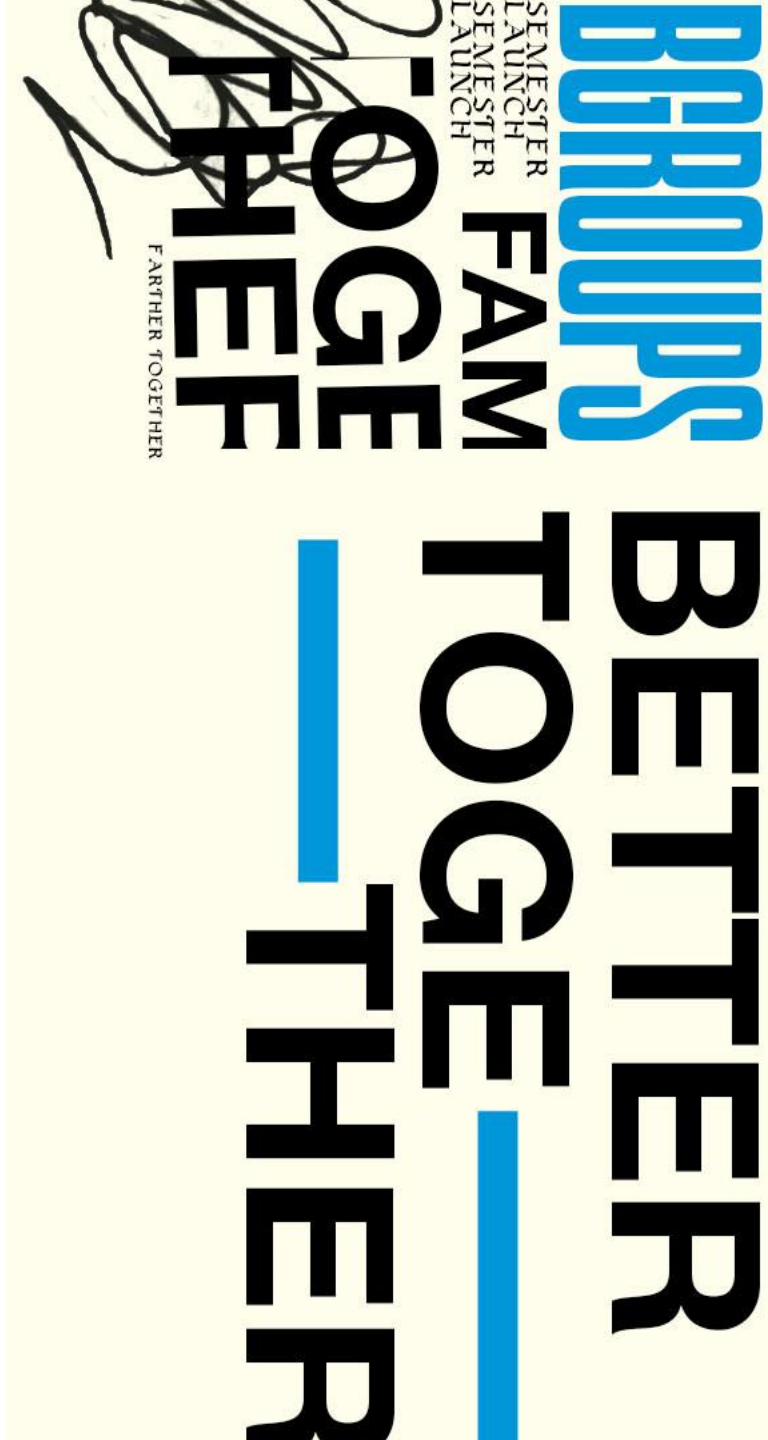
- 1. Every individual deserves a family and BGroups exist to create a place to belong.**
- 2. Life change happens in the context of relationships.**
- 3. So, we believe our church must simultaneously grow larger and smaller.**

# Goal of BGroups (ONE)

A place to experience Life.

*“I come that you might have life and life more abundant.” ~ John 10:10*

- ❖ Following Jesus in salvation and water baptism.
- ❖ **Life Book** - Five lessons that help every person understand their new life in Christ.





# Goal of BGroups (TWO)

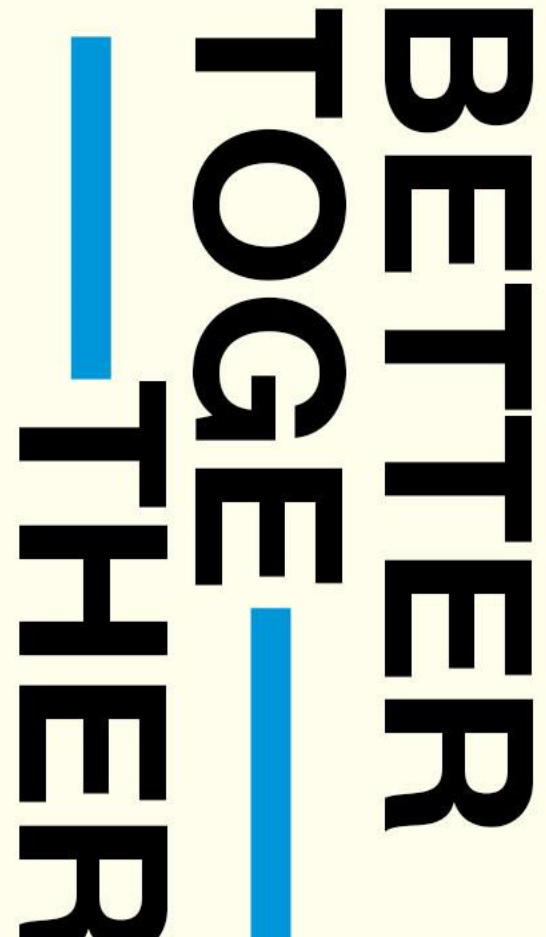
A place to connect with Family.

*“God places the lonely in families.” ~ Psalm 68:6*

*“The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ.”*

*~ 1 Corinthians 12:12*

- ❖ **Freedom Encounters** - settling our yesterdays.
- ❖ **Next Steps** - connecting with the church.
- ❖ **A-Team** - being part of a team.

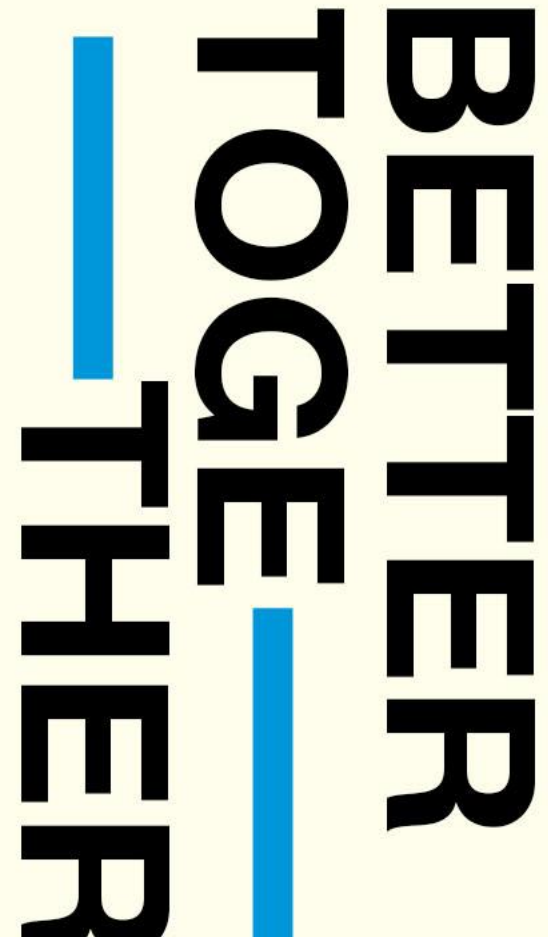


# Goal of BGroups (THREE)

A place to discover Purpose.

“Therefore, go and make disciples” ~ Matthew 28:19

- ❖ Becoming a disciple who makes disciples of Christ.
- ❖ Learning how to live missionally.





# The Flow of Leadership

Our B-Group structure is maintained through RELATIONSHIPS

- ❖ Senior Pastor
- ❖ Campus Pastor
- ❖ Community Pastor
- ❖ Hub Director
- ❖ Hub Leader
- ❖ B-Group Leader



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# Bethany's 6 Hubs

- ❖ Men
- ❖ Women
- ❖ Marriage & Family
- ❖ BOLD Students (Junior & Senior High)
- ❖ Collective (18-30)
- ❖ Prime Timers (60+)

# Your Hub Leader Provides

- ❖ **Encouragement** - we can lead with courage when we are encouraged.
- ❖ **Equipping** - we can lead better as we get better.

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# Your B-Group

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# Becoming a B-Group Leader

1. Complete all four weeks of Next Steps.
2. Attend B-Group Training.
3. Participate in a B-Group at least one semester.
4. Agree to comply with the B-Group leader commitment and honor code.



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# How to start your B-Group?

- **Make your life your group...**
  - What are you **already doing** that has people around you? Can you give that to God and use for His purpose?
- Turn your **existing relationships, interests, passions, and hobbies** into a **disciple-making** group.

# How to Launch your Group

1. Choose the hub-type of group you will have, place to meet, and day/time that works best.
2. Register your B-Group.
3. Invite people to come to your group.
4. Pray & believe God is going to do great things through your group.

# How to Lead a B-Group Meeting: *What to Do . . .*

- **Connection** - become friends
- **Conversation** - discuss the truth of God's word and hear people's heart (dialogue not monologue)
- **Prayer/Ministry** - believe God together



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## *Resources:*

- **LIFE book** - This semester, all groups will begin with the 5 lessons in this booklet.
- **B-Group Lessons**  
<http://bethany.com/belong/leaders>
- **Discipleship resources - LIFE, FAMILY, PURPOSE**



Community to every season of life. Even if you can't attend every meeting, there is still great value in joining a B-Group

# How to Lead a B-Group Meeting:

## *What Not to Do . . .*

- **Business**
- **Offerings**
- **Unapproved speakers / materials**
- **Controversial topics**

# Understanding Your Role

- Encourage people
- Facilitate discussion
- Pray with people
- Help people take their **NEXT STEP** in their walk with Christ



# How to Prepare Weekly for a B-Group Meeting:

- **Invite** - make room for one more friend
- **Send** - text friendly reminders
- **Create** - foster a family environment
- **Provide** - refreshments are a WIN



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# Tips to Being a Successful Leader

- **Daily devotions** - read, pray, worship
- **Recruit a co-leader** - ask someone to help
- **Commit to relationships** - do life together
- **Foster great communication** - respond to texts, calls, emails,
- **Respect people's time** - start and end on time
- **Rally the group** - around an opportunity to serve

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# Leader Responsibilities

- **Bethany Leader Honor Code**
- **B-Group Leaders' Meetings**
- **B-Group Reports**



# Spring 2020 B-Group Semester: January 26 - May 3

## Freedom Encounter: April 24-25

