

Little Flock Baptist Church

Discipleship

Academy

Fall 2010

CONNECT

with an Open Heart

Mark 12:29-31



GO

with
Ready
Feet

Matthew 28:19-20



GROW

in Body,
Mind
& Spirit

Romans 12:2



SERVE

with Willing Hands

1 Peter 4:10-11



ABOUT LITTLE FLOCK'S DISCIPLESHIP STRATEGY:

Our mission at Little Flock Baptist Church is to know Jesus, to become more like Him and to make Him known. Making disciples of Jesus Christ is our most central and important task. We believe there are four fundamental areas in which all believers should progress. We express this within our discipleship strategy as Connect, Grow, Serve and Go. Our goal is to make disciples of Jesus who are spiritually mature in all four characteristics.

CONNECT
with an Open Heart
Mark 12:31



Connect emphasizes the importance of worship, prayer and fellowship in our everyday lives. It means to be in vital relationship with God, other believers, the church and our family. We can have a relationship with God only through His Son Jesus, as we turn from sin and trust Christ as Lord and Savior. As we connect first with God, He makes it possible for us to build the meaningful relationships with other believers.

GROW
in Body, Mind & Spirit
Romans 12:2



Grow means learning and obeying the Word and understanding how it makes a daily difference in our lives. Gaining knowledge is vital, but we need more than knowledge. True discipleship means discovering something fresh and inspiring in a passage we have read hundreds of times—and acting to apply it. It is a day by day challenge to be transformed, as the Spirit of God illuminates the treasure that is found within the pages of the Bible and helps us to live it out for the glory of God.

SERVE
with Willing Hands
1 Peter 4:10



Serve reminds us of our responsibility to work alongside fellow believers. Jesus said those who would be greatest among us are those who are willing to serve others. Our church is full of ministry and service opportunities—from handing out food at our Dare to Care food pantry to serving as a Greeter on Sunday mornings to teaching a Sunday School class. Every believer working together is required for Little Flock Baptist Church to function as God intended. God gifts and empowers us to serve and multiplies our efforts in exponential ways.

GO
with Ready Feet
Matthew 28:19-20



Go moves us outside the walls of the church building and into our community and world. It may mean going on a foreign mission trip or tutoring a child at an after-school program. It means we develop relationships with lost people and share our faith. Going is fed by a desire to experience firsthand God's work in the lives of others, recognizing we are just one instrument He is using to reach a lost world.

A Message about Small Groups at Little Flock Baptist Church

Dear Friend,

At Little Flock Baptist Church, there are many more opportunities for discipleship beyond just our Sunday Worship Services. Within a body of believers as large as Little Flock, it is important for you to be involved in a small group. Our small groups are designed as a place to know people and be known by them as you grow in your relationship with Christ. We believe in teaching God's Word in every small group.

Two primary types of small groups exist at Little Flock: Sunday School and Discipleship Academy. This brochure features all of the Discipleship Academy classes offered during the Fall 2010 semester. A separate brochure provides a listing of our Adult Sunday School classes.

Sunday School is the core of small group ministry at Little Flock. Our desire is for every member to be a part of a Sunday School class. Sunday School classes meet on Sunday mornings concurrently with our 9:00 am and 10:30 am Worship Services. Emphasizing discipleship, care, ministry and outreach, your Sunday School class is your "church within the church," a place where you can *connect* with people and enjoy in-depth Bible study with some of our best teachers.

Discipleship Academy classes are generally offered on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. Discipleship Academy is designed to *grow* you deeper within specific areas of your Christian walk. Certain classes provide opportunities for deeper study of God's Word, while others may teach you how to study and understand your Bible more effectively. There are classes that will help you develop deeper relationships or deal with certain life issues such as finances or the loss of a loved one. Other classes will help you discover your spiritual gifts or train you for ministry in order to *serve*. Still other classes will equip you to *go* and share the faith.

Our prayer for you is that you will find a small group at Little Flock that will bless you and help you walk closer to Christ and in fellowship with other believers. You are loved, wanted and needed here at Little Flock!

Bro. Rodney

Pastor Rodney Alexander
Senior Pastor

Bro. Rick

Pastor Rick Woods
Executive Pastor



"This is the most important," Jesus answered: "Listen, Israel! The Lord our God, the Lord is One. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:29-31 (HCSB)



Explore Little Flock Luncheon - Connect 101

Sunday, October 10 @ 12 pm

Leaders: Pastor Rodney and the Ministerial Staff

Theater

If you are considering church membership, or you have become a member within the last six months, make plans to join the ministry staff for an informal time of food and fellowship. The staff will be sharing information about the church and its ministries. Lunch for your family will be provided.

Starting Point - Connect 102

Wednesday, August 18 @ 7 pm

Leader: Pastor Rodney

6 Sessions

Room 150

This class, taught by Pastor Rodney, is for new believers. The purpose of the class is to answer basic questions about the Bible and church. It is designed to help you become established in your faith.

Men's Fraternity: The Great Adventure (Part 1) - Connect 140

Sundays beginning TBD @ 5:30 pm

Leader: Wil Holland

10 Sessions

Room 160

Life should be an adventure, but too often it seems tiring, even boring. *The Great Adventure* challenges men to break loose from the bondage of boredom and embark on the Great Adventure that God has uniquely designed for them. Through the sessions, men will come to understand how they are wired and how to move forward with energy and enthusiasm to face the challenges of biblical manhood.

CONNECT (continued):



Celebrate - Connect 142

Wednesdays beginning October 6 @ 7 pm

Leader: Debbie Alexander

Ongoing

Room 160

This class is for all ladies who want to walk in their everyday Christian life in a practical, joyful, God-centered way. It will be lots of down-to-earth, fun lessons and will be open to all ladies in the community and church.

JOY Group (Ministry to Senior Adults) - Connect 143

First Thursday, February - December @ 12 pm

Leader: June Kratz

Ongoing

Theater

The JOY Group ministry provides a way for our senior adults to minister to the community while enjoying regular fellowship. JOY Group meets each month for a time of fellowship, worship, ministry and of course - a delicious pot luck prepared by some of the best cooks in the church! If you are a senior adult, plan to come and join us as we serve the Lord with gladness!

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) Support Group - Connect 147

First and Third Thursdays, September - May @ 10 am

Leader: Jen Merryman

Grand Lobby Conference Room

MOPS is a ministry to women with children ages five and under. While their children learn stories or do crafts, the mothers meet to learn how to build and strengthen their Christian homes. It is a time of encouragement and fellowship, as well as an opportunity for spiritual growth.



CONNECT (continued):

ESCAPE (Special Needs Ministry Respite Care) - Connect 151A

First Saturday, October - May @ 5:30 pm

Leaders: Sammy & Lorri Chick

Room 102

The Special Needs Ministry of Little Flock offers devoted parents and caregivers a monthly respite opportunity—a night to refresh and catch a much needed break. The children enjoy an eventful night full of games, crafts, puppet shows, music, devotionals and hands-on learning about Jesus. Each child will be escorted and cared for by an approved and trained individual.

Special Needs Game Night - Connect 151B

First Friday Each Month @ 6:30 pm

Leaders: Sammy & Lorri Chick

Theater

Game Night is a monthly opportunity for teenagers and adults with special needs. They meet monthly from 6:30-8:30 pm for lots of fun and fellowship. Caregivers are welcome to take part or enjoy an evening of rest.

Wild at Heart: A Band of Brothers - Connect 155

Wednesdays beginning August 25 @ 7 pm

Leader: Chris Lasley

8 Sessions

Room 154

Discover how God defines authentic masculinity. John Eldredge and his band of brothers invite you to join them as they embark on a journey to learn how God can heal wounded hearts and put a spirit of adventure back in the life of any man. This study is for single men.



Finding Redemption in the Movies - Connect 156

TBD

Leader: Chris Lasley

8 sessions

Homestudy

Finding Redemption in the Movies is a new small group Bible study experience. The group will meet in someone's home for dinner and a movie. Four different movies will be seen. Each viewing will be followed by a small group session at a later date where the film will be analyzed and discussed from the perspective of a Christian worldview.

Lady in Waiting: Becoming God's Best While

Waiting for Mr. Right - Connect 158

Wednesdays beginning August 25 @ 7 pm

Leaders: Gladys Lasley & Donna Grant

7 sessions

Room 156

When you're single, waiting can be one of the most difficult situations you face. By studying the biblical character of Ruth, you'll learn the characteristics that every woman of God should develop and simply becoming God's best. Now that is a topic we all need to hear about—single, married, divorced, widowed, young or old. You will learn how we all need to be in relationship with Jesus before anything else. This class is for single ladies and single moms.

Six Secrets to a Lasting Love - Connect 160

Sundays beginning August 22 @ 6 pm

Leaders: Todd & Michelle Brimm

7 sessions

Grand Lobby Conference Room

The secret to a strong marriage is more than love—it's six specific kinds of love that are all rooted in God's Word: forgiving love, serving love, persevering love, guarding love, celebrating love and renewing love. Find out where you are in your relationship. Experience new levels of love, commitment and intimacy. Create the marriage you dreamed of and build a love that will last a lifetime.



CONNECT (continued):

Growing Kids God's Way (Part 2) - Connect 165

Sundays beginning August 22 @ 5:30 pm

Leader: Lee Smith

9 sessions

Room 158

This interactive class teaches practical parenting skills utilizing biblical principles. Throughout the class, parents will gain confidence in their ability to parent, experience the strengthening of their marriage, and watch healthy changes occur in their children. This class best meets the needs of parents who have children between two and twelve years of age.

Parenting Teenagers and Adolescents - Connect 166

Sundays beginning October 24 @ 6 pm

Leaders: Pastor Mike and Pastor Matt

6 Sessions

Room 180

This course will provide parents with a spiritual insight and practical help to build better relationships with their teenagers: how to see the world through a teenager's eye, how to integrate rules into relationships, how to break the "no talk" taboo, how to build teenagers' self-esteem, how to avoid the well-meaning mistakes that can handicap teens and how to talk with your kids about the tough issues.



P31 Princess Study - Connect 167

Various days beginning week of September 13 @ various times

Leader: Multiple Leaders

31 sessions

Homestudy

The P31 Princess study takes daughters, moms and grandmothers through a practical study of Proverbs 31, encouraging them to make their lives, hearts, and homes a place where Christ reigns as King. The girls, mothers and grandmothers meet weekly in homes so they can fall more in love with their King by applying the power-packed principles of Proverbs 31! Your girl will love the projects, princesses, passages, prayers, pictures, praise songs and parent chats that make God's Word come to life! If your daughter can read, she is old enough for this study. If she still likes to color, she is young enough to enjoy it. P31 is geared toward young ladies 2nd grade-high school.

Peacemaking for Families - Connect 170

Sundays beginning August 22 @ 6 pm

Leader: Pastor Rick

6 sessions

Room 150

Are you struggling with conflict in your family? If so, then this study is for you. This study introduces the basic principles of biblical peacemaking and directly applies those principles to marriage, parenting and other relationships in the extended family. *Peacemaking for Families* will bless you, challenge you and help transform your home from a battlefield to a place of peace.

Therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:1-2 (HCSB)



Discovering Spiritual Disciplines - Grow 201

Sundays beginning October 24 @ 6 pm

Leader: Pastor Rick

3 sessions

Room 200

Discover the tools God uses to help you grow in godliness: Bible intake, prayer, worship, evangelism, serving, stewardship, fasting, silence and solitude, journaling and learning. Bible study and other resources will be shared during this course.

Step by Step Through the Old Testament (Part 1) - Grow 220

Sundays beginning August 22 @ 5:30 pm

Leaders: Bruce Webb, Jim Honeycutt, Dwayne Thomason, & Danny Hibdon

7 sessions

Theater

This course is a survey of the message and important events, people, places and themes of the Old Testament. You will learn how each book in the Old Testament progressively reveals who God is and His redemptive plan for His people. It will enhance your own personal study of God's Word, allowing you to dig deeper and connect truth with truth.

Step by Step Through the Old Testament (Part 2) - Grow 221

Sundays beginning October 24 @ 5:30 pm

Leaders: Bruce Webb, Jim Honeycutt, Dwayne Thomason, & Danny Hibdon

7 sessions

Theater

This course is a continuation of *Step by Step Through the Old Testament Part 1*.

GROW (continued):



Covenant: God's Enduring Promises - Grow 235

Sundays beginning September 12 @ 5:30 pm

Leader: Dianne Anderson

9 sessions

Room 200

During the study of *Covenant: God's Enduring Promises*, you will explore God's initiatives with humanity by studying His covenants throughout history. Kay Arthur shows that the idea of covenant - God's enduring promise - is key to understanding our relationship to God. She will guide you in exploring the benefits and responsibilities of covenant as well as the character of the Covenant Initiator. You will learn about the remarkable ways the Old Covenant points to the promises of the New Covenant.

Ruth: Loss, Love & Legacy - Grow 236

Wednesdays beginning September 15 @ 7:00 pm

Leader: Peggy Wright

8 Sessions

Grand Lobby Conference Room

Ruth: Loss, Love and Legacy is a study by Kelly Minter of Ruth's journey of unbearable loss, redeeming love and divine legacy. This study delves into the virtuous character of Ruth, her unique relationship with her mother-in-law Naomi and her blossoming love with Boaz. If you've ever felt devastated, struggled as a stranger, longed to be loved or wept along the way, you'll find a loyal sister in Ruth.

Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit - Grow 260

Thursdays beginning September 9 @ 6:30 pm

Leader: Jayne Woodring

11 sessions

Homestudy

This course by Beth Moore provides an in-depth study of the fruit of the Holy Spirit as presented in the book of Galatians. Beth walks participants through each trait and encourages women to know the freedom of a Spirit-filled life. Beth challenges you to develop the fruit by maintaining an intimate relationship with the Spirit of God. A Spirit-filled life results in *living beyond yourself*.



Serve:

Based on the gift they have received, everyone should use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God. If anyone speaks, his speech should be like the oracle of God; if anyone serves, his service should be from the strength God provides, so that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong the glory and power forever and ever. Amen

1 Peter 4:10-11(HCSB)



Decision Time: Commitment Counseling - *Serve 350*

Sundays beginning August 22 @ 6 pm

Leaders: Ministerial Staff

2 sessions

Room 162

Decision Time prepares decision counselors to assist persons making a first-time commitment to Jesus, coming for baptism and church membership, needing assurance of their salvation, rededicating themselves to grow toward spiritual maturity, and making a commitment to vocational Christian ministry. This resource also provides guidance in talking with children and in referring those who need more help.



Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20 (HCSB)

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Way of the Master: Basic Training Course - Go 411

Sundays beginning August 22 @ 6 pm

Leader: Jeff Clayton

8 sessions

Room 180

The Way of the Master Basic Training Course features discussion questions, in-class activities, sample witnessing conversations, at-home Bible study and weekly homework assignments. All of these activities have the same goal: to gradually coax you, step-by-step, out of your comfort zone to reach your loved ones for Christ.

The Acts 1:8 Challenge:

Empowering the Church to be on Mission - Go 412

Sundays beginning October 24 @ 6 pm

Leader: Missions Committee

6 sessions

Room 150

The Acts 1:8 Challenge: Empowering the Church to Be on Mission examines the missions task of the New Testament church and challenges the 21st century church to take the gospel to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. Participants in this study will view the world through a missions lens and learn how they can use the New Testament Church's model to reach their world.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

9:00 am

CO-ED

Rhema—Adults, 45 and up (Theater)

COUPLES

Family Life—Couples, 18-40 (Grand Lobby Conference Room)

Couples for Christ—Couples, 18-40 (Room 200)

Living Stones—Couples, 45 and up (Fireside Room)

MEN

Fellowship/Agora—Men, 55 and up (Room 162)

Good Shepherds—Men, 55 and up (Room 180)

WOMEN

Solo—Unaccompanied Ladies, 25-55 (Room 600)

Victory—Ladies, 55 and up (Room 154)

Steadfast—Ladies, 55 and up (Room 160)

Lydia—Ladies, 55 and up (Room 150)

Fidelis—Ladies, 55 and up (Room 158)

Priscilla—Ladies, 55 and up (Room 156)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

10:30 am

CO-ED

Emmaus—Adults, 45 and up (Fireside Room)

Maranatha—Adults, 45 and up (Theater)

COUPLES

Nearly and Newly—Engaged and Newly Married, 18-30 (Room 215)

Covenant Marriage—Couples, 18-40 (Room 200)

Promises—Couples, 35-55 (Room 150)

Togetherness—Couples, 35-55 (Room 160)

Genesis—Couples, 40-60 (Room 156)

Alpha—Couples, 45 and up (Grand Lobby Conference Room)

SINGLES

Journey—College and Career, 18-25 (Room 503)

Bridge—Singles, 25-45 (Room 180)

SPECIAL NEEDS

Refuge—All Adults (Room 154)

No Limits—Ages 12 and up (Room 102)

Preschool and Children's classes meet in the Children's Wing. Middle School (9 am) and High School (10:30 am) classes meet in the Gym. For more detailed information regarding Sunday School classes, please see the Sunday School brochure.

REVIVAL

with Bonnie Hill

SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2010

Sunday, September 26

9:00/10:30 am - Worship Center

7:00 pm - Worship Center

Monday, September 27

6:00 pm - Free pizza and prizes for kids in gym
(grades 1-5)

7:00 pm - Worship Center

Tuesday, September 28

6:00 pm - Free pizza and prizes for students in gym
(grades 6-12)

7:00 pm - Worship Center

Wednesday, September 29

6:00 pm - Steak dinner for teens and adults in gym
(hotdogs for kids)

7:00 pm - Worship Center

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