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Welcome:

Welcome to the Discipleship Collective '26

The Discipleship Collective is a shared invitation from Hope Covenant Church to intentionally grow as whole people—formed in heart, soul, mind, and strength. Each pathway offers a focused season of discipleship, inviting you to slow down, lean in, and engage practices that shape us more fully into the life God desires for us.

While each pathway explores a unique area of growth, they all share the same purpose: to create space for transformation through intentional rhythms, meaningful reflection, and a supportive community. Whether this is your first step or your next step, we're glad you're here.

We pray this season draws you closer to God, deepens your faith, and equips you to live out your calling with clarity and joy.

Jesus calls us to be witnesses of his love and glory to the whole world. Our witness starts with prayer because our witness is the joyful testimony of our life with God. We know it is God who is growing the seeds of the Gospel in other's lives, using our witness in partnership with the Holy Spirit. In Apostle Paul's words, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow." 1 Corinthians 3:6.

Avenue 1:

Bible Project

Watch the [Bible Project video "Witness"](#) to remind yourself of God's call for us to be witnesses of His goodness and work in our lives. Then take 20 mins for this 3 step prayer practice focusing on praying for non-Christians, those struggling in their faith, or people in your life like neighbors or coworkers who you may not yet know their spiritual background. Consider practicing these prayer steps a few times a week with a journal.



- Ask God: Who should I pray for? You might feel invited to pray for a different person each day or focus your prayers on one person in your life. Be open to whoever God brings to mind to lift up in prayer.
- Pray for this person's spiritual, physical, relational, and emotional needs.
- Ask God: What is my next step with this person? It may be a word of encouragement, an invitation to spend time together, a question to ask, to continue praying, or something else. Be open and obedient to whatever God puts on your heart for your relationship with this person.

- Why: If our faith in Jesus is only private and personal, we are missing out on witnessing God's greater transformative work in our lives and in the lives of others. Our witness starts with prayer because we know it is God who grows the seeds of the Gospel in other's lives. In Apostle Paul's words, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow." 1 Corinthians 3:6

Avenue 2:

Right Now Media Video Series:

Watch "Evangelism: Sharing the Big Story"-



Right Now Media-
Evangelism: Sharing the Big
Story- Episodes 1-8

Avenue 3:

"Welcoming the Nations Among Us" 6 week study guide devotional.

Welcoming means developing genuine cross-cultural friendships, selflessly serving, and always being ready to share Jesus with others. It's an exciting and perhaps scary endeavor to get to know people from different cultures and worldviews, but perhaps God has an adventure for you as you step outside of your comfort zone in faith. This study guide of scripture and stories will enlarge your vision for how our global God desires to use you to bear witness to Jesus' love as you welcome others in his name.

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Avenue 4:

Love Your Neighbor Bingo

This is a fun one to do with families! Create a Bingo board together using the ideas listed or your own. Identify a "family prize" and work through the board together, blessing others and building relationships all for the glory of God. Celebrate together when you've earned a BINGO!

OR

Simply use the ideas bless others. Feel free to make it your own!

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BINGO BOARD IDEAS

- Leave a treat basket on a neighbor's porch with a note of encouragement.
- Pray for your neighbors, friends, and unbelievers in your community.
- Call a friend or neighbor and ask how you can pray for them today.
- Start a Bible study for those who may be seeking the Lord—many are searching for truth right now.
- Run errands or do grocery shopping for a neighbor who can't get out.
- Send a card to a friend "just because."
- Leave a small gift card in a neighbor's mailbox with a note and a blessing for groceries or a treat.
- Invite a friend to learn a skill you enjoy (knitting, crafting, etc.) as a way to connect.
- Invite a friend or neighbor to church; if they can't attend in person, share the online service.
- Pay for the person behind you in line and leave a note reminding them that Jesus loves them.
- Cook a double portion of a meal and deliver it to a neighbor.
- Organize a neighborhood walk to connect outdoors and build relationships.
- Invite a friend out for coffee—many people just need someone to listen.
- Ask friends or neighbors if they have prayer needs and commit to praying for them.
- Drop off flowers on a neighbor's porch with an encouraging note.
- If you receive a "buy one, get one free" item, give the extra to someone in line behind you.
- Let someone go ahead of you in line, even if they have a larger order.
- Use social media for good—share your testimony with friends.
- Invite neighbors over for a potluck meal or cookie time (outdoors if indoors isn't comfortable).
- Host a backyard game day with neighbors.
- Use social media for good—skip the political memes and share a Bible verse instead.
- Host a backyard bonfire with hot cocoa; include worship and prayer if possible.
- Tell someone about Jesus—the greatest act of love.
- While running errands, call an elderly neighbor or friend to see if they need anything.
- Knit or crochet a small item for a neighbor.
- Leave treats on your doorstep for delivery workers with a note of encouragement.
- Ask a waiter, waitress, or store clerk how you can pray for them.
- Practice putting others first—at the store, at home, everywhere.
- Go for a walk and meet a new neighbor.
- Watch a documentary about a culture you don't know much about.
- Listen to music from an unfamiliar genre.
- Ask "why" 5 times in a row to understand someone better.
- Grab a cup of coffee with an estranged friend.
- Observe and engage with others at a grocery store outside your neighborhood.
- Read a bedtime story from another culture.
- What issue "doesn't concern you"? Read about it.
- Find a mutual interest with someone with whom you disagree.
- Add your own! You can gear it toward something you feel God is leading your family towards.