# **Core Values**



Core values might be defined as those values that influence what the church decides to do as well as what it decides not to do. They are a reflection of our heart and our vision for how Freshwater Church is going to accomplish the mission that God has given it. Freshwater has four core values. They are:

#### Connection

We define connection as being transformed by being in the presence of God. All followers of Christ should desire to be with their God. We foster connection in Freshwater by emphasizing the need for regular worship, prayer, and fasting.

## **Spiritual Formation**

Spiritual Formation is another way of describing how we are transformed into the image of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Making disciples is a long, yet worthwhile process in which a person is taken from spiritual darkness into an evergrowing relationship with their personal Savior. Whatever Freshwater Church does, it must ultimately help us and others become more like Christ as we are formed spiritually into his likeness.

## Community

We believe that Biblical community is best experienced in small groups of people that meet on a regular basis to study God's word and live life together. These small groups are called 'Life Groups' and function as the primary avenue of Spiritual Formation. They also function as an avenue to experience true, heartfelt, biblical community. Learn more about our Life groups here.

### **Gospel Advancement**

Freshwater Church does not exist for us: rather, it exists for God to be glorified and made a 'big deal' of in our world. This happens as disciples are made locally and globally. We believe that this fourth core value is best lived out by the planting of sister churches across the world. Learn about how Freshwater Church is advancing the gospel by clicking here!