



who we are

Connect Groups at Beach Road Baptist Church are small groups (8-12) of people within the church who meet regularly to engage in Bible study, prayer, fellowship and mutually accountable relationships and establish a sense of community, to help live out the reality of the Christian life. It is in the context of these groups where relationships are built, ministry occurs, and soul care is modeled. This interpersonal relationship model was the basis for vibrant Christian life and growth in the New Testament Church (Acts 2:42-47). For this reason, Connect Groups will be the primary relational model for connection to the church body here at Beach Road Baptist Church. Connect Groups assist the Church body to obtain the goal of walking in unity of faith, growing in stature to the fullness of Christ, and developing into a fully mature body of believers. (Ephesians 4:11-16; Col 1:28).

what we do

Connect Groups serve to model a healthy church body in a smaller context by achieving the following outcomes:

Connect People to God

Connect Groups are biblically based, Gospel centered and Christ focused. They will promote spiritual growth through effective Bible Study (2 Tim 3:16-17), focused prayer (Phil 4:6-7; Col 4:2), scripture memory (Ps 119:11, Jos 1:8), and fasting (Matt 6:16-18).

Connect People to Others

Connect Groups create an environment whereby this smaller spiritual family enjoys fellowship (Acts 2:42-47), practices mutual accountability (Col 3:16; Prov 27:17; Heb 10:25) and cares for one another's spiritual and physical needs (Gal 6:2;). It is in this community that deeper relationships are established, and each person is spurred to a fuller level of maturity in Christ (Heb 10:24-25).

Connect People to Ministry

Connect Groups serve to support our value "Serving over Sitting" and play a vital role in connecting members to ministry/service opportunities in and to the larger Church Body as well as in and to the group. Therefore, we encourage all members to ascertain their spiritual gifts and use them to the glory of God in service to Him and to one another. This is realized through defining roles within the group for members to fulfill and in the leader working to connect the members to ministry roles within the church. (Ps 100:2; Eph 4:7-13; 1 Pet 4:10).

Connect People to God's Mission

Connect Groups work to engage our community with the Gospel through missional living and service projects. Jesus had a mission and has now commissioned us to GO! (Matt 28:18-20; Acts 1:8). Active participation in evangelism and service to our community within the context of the Connect Group encourages an outward focus of our active faith.