

# GREEN Group Atlas

Winter 2012



## Green Groups

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Branch out, Rooted in Christ!

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# About GREEN Groups

Here at the First Church of the Nazarene, we believe that the GREEN group is the best place for positive sustained life change and spiritual growth to occur. GREEN groups exist to **Grow Relationships to Equip, Empower, and Nurture**. Our strategy is to create a small group environment where people are encouraged and equipped to pursue deeper relationships, both with God and with others...

There are 3 types of GREEN groups:

## SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Our traditional Sunday School groups are focused on teaching the Truth of God.

If you are searching for a group that meets on Sunday mornings, then these groups will leave your soul full of the knowledge of the LORD!

## COMMUNITY GROUPS:

Our community groups form the largest body of our available groups. These groups intentionally cover a wide variety of topics, curriculum, age-groups, and interests but all are focused on building relationships. These groups each go for 12 consecutive weeks.

## MASTER'S PLAN:

Master's Plan groups are a series of groups that intentionally move its members along the path of Discipleship. Focusing heavily on Scripture, these are for those willing to dedicate to a lifetime of discipleship. These groups are directly associated with the Encounter.

Once you decide which group you would like to join, please

- Check the appropriate box on your Connection Card,
- Sign up at the Welcome Center,
- Put the card from this brochure in the offering plate, or
- Sign up for a group at [www.imperfectpeople.org/green\\_groups.html](http://www.imperfectpeople.org/green_groups.html).



= Group with Childcare Available

For any questions or assistance, please contact Teresa at the Welcome Center, or at [tspears01444@hotmail.com](mailto:tspears01444@hotmail.com) or the church office at 342-9012.

## OUR CHURCH

Galesburg First Nazarene is a Spirit-filled church that teaches and preaches the Good News of Jesus Christ.

## VISION STATEMENT:

To Make Christ-like Disciples

## MISSION STATEMENT:

We Exist to:

**Connect** to God & Others

**Grow** in Relationship with God & Others

**Serve** God & Others

**Go** Tell Others About God

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Date \_\_\_\_\_



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Best contact phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Which Group would you like to sign-up for? \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be contacted with more info about this church!

# Values & Goals

## RELATIONSHIPS:

While prayer & discussion of curriculum are key elements of a GREEN group, the driving force behind the group is the building of relationships

## AUTHENTICITY:

We want the atmosphere of a GREEN group to encourage openness and transparency among members. We feel this needs to be an environment where people should feel free to be themselves.

## CONFIDENTIALITY:

We believe for authenticity to occur, members must be able to trust that issues shared within a GREEN group are not to be shared outside of the group.

## RESPECT:

We believe group members should never say anything that will embarrass their spouse or other members of the group.

## AVAILABILITY:

A primary responsibility of community is to prioritize for specific relationships. This requires a willingness to be available to meet each other's needs.

## MULTIPLICATION:

Group members recognize that one of the goals of their group is to start a new group. This allows others to experience the GREEN group relationship and experience relationships with a variety of friends.

# Sunday School

## *Encouragers Class: SS-1*

When: Sunday Mornings - 9:30am

Where: First Church of the Nazarene - Fellowship Hall

Leader: Ruth Johnson (342-9012)

Code: SS-1



This group meets on Sunday mornings during our 9:30 service. If you are looking for a more traditional Sunday School Class, this is the place for you! Surrounded by close friends, good discussion, and a plate of doughnuts - this group is focused on studying the stories of the bible and applying them to everyday life.

## *Jeremiah Class : SS-2*

When: Sunday Mornings - 10:45am

Where: First Church of the Nazarene - Fellowship Hall

Leader: Darlene Chambers (342-9012)

Code: SS-2

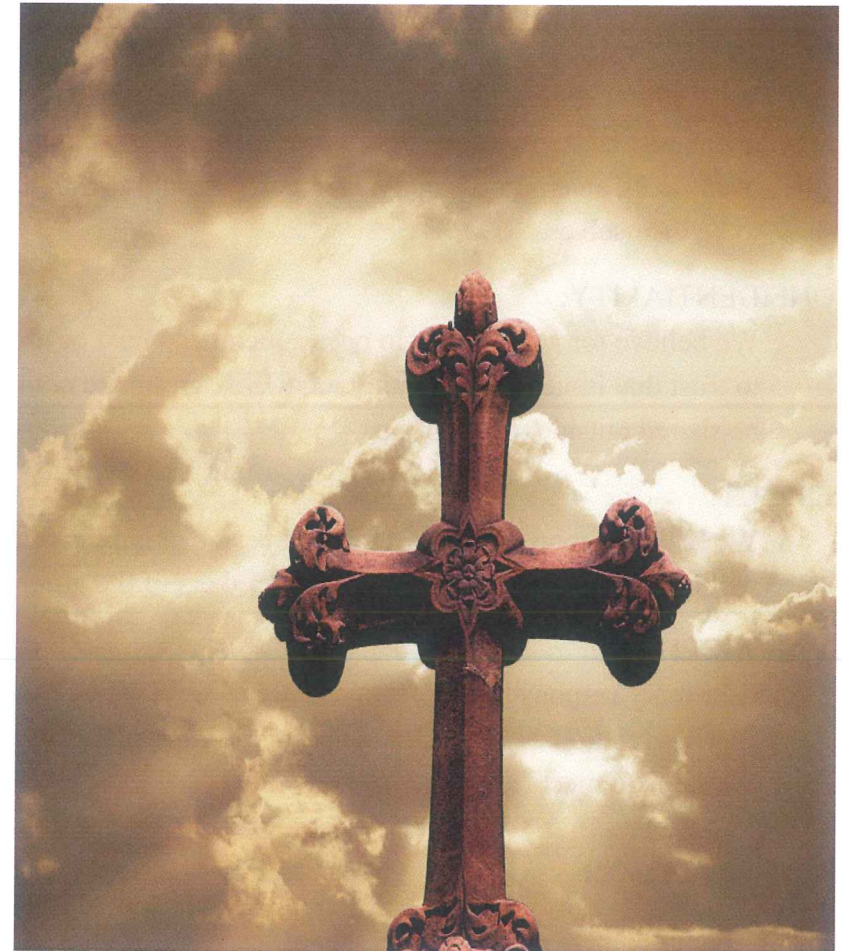
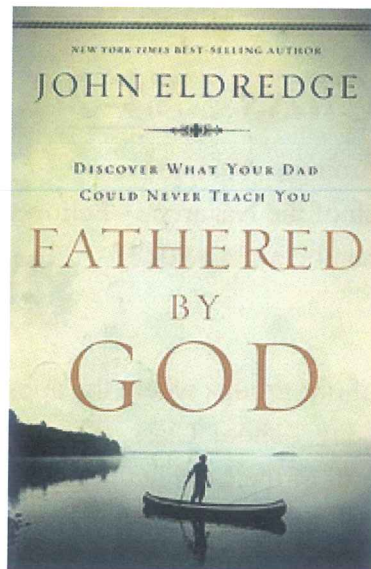


This is another one of our groups where the approach is more like your traditional Sunday School Class. This group spends their time studying the Word of the Lord and learning about His promises to our lives. Meeting during the same time as our contemporary service, this class is mainly comprised of our prime time group.

## *Fathered by God: Su-1*

When: Sunday Mornings - 9:30am  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leader: Kurt Stewart (342-9012)  
Code: Su-1

John Eldredge calls men back to a simple and reassuring truth: God is our Father. Using a men's small group setting, the *Fathered by God Small Group Video Series* maps out the path of manhood -- from beloved Son to Cowboy to Warrior to Lover to King to Sage, through life's trials and triumphs -- a sure path men have followed for centuries before us.



## *The Master's Plan*

When: Sunday Mornings – 9:30 am **Follower's Course**  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leader: Dennis Ackman: MP-1 **(Ongoing)**

When: Sunday Mornings – 9:30 am **Disciple's 2 Course**  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leader: Sue Smith: MP-2 **(Ongoing)**

When: Sunday Evenings - 5:00 pm **Disciple Course 1**  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leader: Pastor Ron Scarlett : MP-3

These studies of scripture are a follow-up to the Encounter Weekends offered through our church and the Northwestern Illinois District. The focus of these studies are in-depth scripture study and discipleship at its deepest level. Participants are strongly encouraged to attend an Encounter before joining... Upcoming Encounter opportunities can be found at [www.imperfectpeople.org/encounter.html](http://www.imperfectpeople.org/encounter.html)

## *Jesus 101- Truthful Revealer: M-1*

When: Monday Nights - 6:30pm  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leaders: Bob & Teresa Spears (299-3950)  
Code: M-1

Our closest friends are the ones who will tell us the truth about ourselves. Jesus is that kind of friend. He reveals our identity, makes sense of our history, exposes our needs and points us toward our destiny. When we meet Jesus the revealer, we discover ourselves.

## *He Speaks to Me: M-2*

When: Monday Nights – 6:30 pm  
Where: 1582 Willard  
Leaders: Darlene Chambers  
Code: M-2

*In He Speaks to Me*, Priscilla Shirer shows us how God spoke to Samuel and how He speaks to Christians today. God wants to meet us where we are despite who we are and reveal His will for our lives.

# Community Groups



## *Old Testament Study : Tue-1*

When: Tuesday Nights – 5:30 pm  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leaders: Lori Cameron  
Code: Tue -1

This is a group for those who want to learn more about God and His holy word. They meet each Tuesday evening to go through the Old Testament and learn about His great love starting from the very beginning. They then connect His Old Testament promises to His New Covenant in Jesus Christ!

## *Revelation : Wed-1*

When: Wednesday Nights – 5:30 pm  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leaders: Dale Johnson  
Code: Wed -1

John's purpose in writing this book was to give hope and encouragement to those Christians who were suffering severe persecution for their faith in Jesus Christ. Through the imagery and symbols, one thing is made clear, Jesus Christ is the Lord and ruler over everyone and everything.

## *Daniel: Part 2 Words of Prophecy : Thurs1*

When: Thursday Nights – 6:00 pm  
Where: First Church of the Nazarene  
Leaders: Wilda Utsinger  
Code: Thurs -1

Just as the prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressure to compromise his faith in a hostile culture and was constantly confronted by temptations and threats, today's believers face similar trials. The second portion, chapters 7 - 12, explores thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ.

## *“God’s Answers for today’s problems: Thurs -2*

When: Thursday Nights – 6:30 pm CLOSED  
Where: 650 W. First  
Leaders: Sheryl Icenogle  
Code: Thurs -2

Do you long to immerse yourself in God's word but need a guide to match your busy lifestyle? This exciting New Inductive Study Series was created just for you. God's precepts, promises, and purposes are made clear in each brief lesson as His truths unfold before you and take shape in your life.