



YOUR GUIDE TO SMALL GROUPS

Summer/Fall 2025 Edition

Welcome to Heritage Church!

It is our goal to help each person develop a deeper walk with Jesus while growing in meaningful relationships and fellowship within the body of Christ! We want all to become who Jesus created us to be. We believe that getting and staying connected in the body of Christ is one of the best ways to grow, deepen and sustain your faith in Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 says to “encourage one another and build one another up.” Here are a few reasons why connection is powerful and necessary at Heritage Church:

1. You will make new and lasting friendships
2. You will have the opportunity to grow in the Word and prayer
3. You will have opportunity to create accountability in your relationship with Jesus
4. You can become equipped to use your gifts and talents to serve the Church
5. You will make an impact in our community and abroad
6. Ultimately, you will become a disciple who makes disciples!

Our heart at Heritage is for everyone to be connected beyond just the Sunday morning worship gatherings. If you need help finding a group, starting a group or to simply know more about our groups, please do not hesitate to let us know. Our job is to help you see the value of greater friendship and community within the Church, inspiring you to grow, be accountable and fulfill the call to be “one in the body of Christ.”

Greater connections await inside!

The following pages identify ways that you can connect with the body of Christ throughout the week in what we call SMALL GROUPS. These small groups vary from group to group primarily focusing on teaching, growing in the Word, prayer, equipping for disciple-making, accountability, community-based fellowship, serving and outreach. While each small group should lend to the care of one another and disciple-making at its core, below is a short explanation of each type of small group we offer.

What is a Growth Group?

Growth Groups focus on getting to know more about God through the teaching of His Word. Most of these groups focus on content, discussion, and application and usually occur on Sunday mornings as well as a few that meet throughout the week.

What is a Life Group?

Life Groups focus on doing life together. These groups care, fellowship, pray, serve and go below the surface in their conversations and relationships with one another. These groups build our church family.

What is a Fellowship Group?

Fellowship Groups focus on fellowship and activity. They enjoy creating environments for play, hobbies, and fellowship with other believers and use this to introduce others through common interests to Jesus.

What is a Ministry Group?

Ministry Groups focus on serving within the church and the community.

GROWTH GROUPS | SUNDAY MORNINGS

8:00am | Prayer | Prayer Room

This is a time to pray prior to our Sunday services and contend for God's Word as it will be preached and our hearts to be ready to receive.

For more information: 479-474-6424 Church Office

9:00am | Heritage School of Ministry | Room 122 | Led by Donovan McClure

Do you desire greater equipping to minister to others? Do you want to help others encounter the goodness of God? The focus of this class will be on practical ministry equipping and providing a safe atmosphere to practice and grow in ministry.

For more information: donovanbmc56@gmail.com

9:00am | Walking with Christ | Room 134 | Led by Max and Leanna Garrett

This growth group simply wants to spend time in the Word together! Currently they are working through the latter books of the New Testament. Join them for a time of study and discussion.

For more information: lgarrett711@gmail.com

10:30am | Daughters of the King | Room 134 | Led by Marilyn Goins

This growth group is for women only. This is a time to be in the Word and in fellowship together. They follow along with the Heritage Daily Reading Plan and discuss the sermon from that day's worship service.

For more information: marilyngoins@gmail.com

10:30am | Do Good For Nothing | The New Room | Led by Mark Wilkerson

This growth group welcomes couples and singles of all ages. They fellowship and utilize the Heritage Daily Reading Plan as points for teaching and discussion.

For more information: linda.wilkerson@unioneagles.org

10:30am | Good Shepherd | Community Room | Led by Bob Freeman and Sue Weege

This growth group welcomes couples and singles of all ages. The most recent study was a DVD series on Isaiah. The next study will be a book study from Rev. James Moore.

For more information: bobfreeman2415@outlook.com

10:30am | Pairs and Spares | Room 133 | Led by Gary Nishmuta

This growth group welcomes couples and singles of all ages. They use the Heritage Daily Reading Plan as points for teaching and discussion, as well as encouraging accountability to daily walking with the Lord in His Word.

An online option via Zoom is available for those who cannot meet in person.

For more information: gnishmuta@gmail.com

GROWTH GROUPS | THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Sundays | 6:00pm | Samuel | The Community Room | Led by Dr. Charles Armour

Dr. Armour will be offering a course on the book of Samuel, which is one of the great foundational documents of both Biblical history and western literature. 1st Samuel will be covered this fall and 2nd Samuel will begin after the New Year. Each week will be presented in such a way that regular attendance is not required to benefit from it. Anyone is welcome to come!

For more information: 479-474-6424 Church Office

Tuesdays | 6:15am | Band of Brothers | New Room | Led by John Wallace

This small group is a men's Bible study for men all over the community. They meet weekly over coffee and the Word. They are currently studying the Revelation of Jesus Christ.

For more information: jwwallace@pobox.com

Tuesdays | 6:30pm | Cowboy Church | New Room | Led by Pastor Kip James

Join them for a time of worship, Bible study, prayer, food and fellowship off-site at 4500 Old Uniontown Road in Van Buren.

For more information: 479-474-6424 Church Office

Wednesdays | 10:30am | Women in Prayer | Prayer Room

This is an opportunity for seeking the Lord and a focus on praying for Heritage Church and the staff. For more information: 479-474-6424 Church Office

Wednesdays | 12:00pm | Communion and Healing Prayer | Sanctuary

This is a time to spend an hour together during lunch to pray, receive communion and to pray for those with needs for healing!

For more information: 479-474-6424 Church Office

Wednesdays | 6:00pm | Adult Timothy Team Bible Study: Acts | New Room

This Bible study is the adult study that goes with the Timothy Team Children's Study. This year we will be studying through the Book of Acts! There is an opportunity for fellowship and dinner that begins at 4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall for a nominal fee.

For more information: 479-474-6424 Church Office

Thursdays | 10:00am | Seniors Growing in Christ | Community Room | Led by Merle Katz

This Bible study is a weekly adult study for senior couples and singles. They are currently studying through the Book of Hebrews.

For more information: lrpcoo.mk@gmail.com

LIFE GROUPS

Breaking Bread Life Group

Leader: Velta Thomas and Haley Crutcher

Contact Info: velta.thomas@gmail.com, hcrutcher@heritage.church

Monthly Gathering on Second Sunday 6:00pm at rotating locations

Focus: For married couples; to foster, care and empower marriages to thrive!

Growth Life Group

Leader: John Symonds

Contact Info: jesymonds1984@gmail.com

Meets every other Thursday 6:30pm at member's homes

Focus: Fellowship and Bible Study

Full House

Leaders: Dustin and Andelyn Wright

Contact Info: andelyn.m.wright.civ@army.mil

Meets every other Sunday Evening at the Wright's home

Focus: Dinner, Fellowship, Prayer and Support

Heritage Boomers

Leader: Larry Shackelford

Contact Info: lshackelford@cyfortsmith.com

Meets every other Sunday at the church

Focus: Fellowship

Inside-Outs

Leaders: Ronda Brown and Brian Seewald

Contact Info: brown5.rondak@gmail.com

Meets every Sunday 5:45pm at church in the New Room

Focus: Bible Study, Prayer, Fellowship, Food and Outreach

Life Seekers

Leaders: Jack Infield

Contact Info: jlinfield08@gmail.com

Meets every Tuesday 6:30pm at member's homes

Focus: Bible Study

Light Seekers

Leaders: Clifford and Jane Lyon

Contact Info: cliffordlyon@cox.net

Meets every other Thursday 6:30pm at member's homes

Focus: Fellowship and Bible Study

Stepping Out

Leader: Karrie Papacoda

Contact Info: kpapacoda@yahoo.com

Meets twice a month in the community

Focus: For women over 35 (day trips, activities, word, prayer, and outreach)

LIFE GROUPS (CONT'D)

The Deep End

Leader: Max Garrett

Contact Info: hybridhogg@gmail.com

Meets once a month at member's homes

Focus: Fellowship and Bible Reading Discussions

The Way Seeker

Leaders: Rebekah Hutton and Stephanie Jones

Contact Info: rhutton@heritage.church

Meets every Monday 6:00pm at Stephanie Jones' Home

Focus: Young Adults, Food, Fellowship, and the Word

Upside Down

Leaders: Zack Riordan and Alyssa Seewald

Contact Info: zackriordan04@gmail.com

Meets every Friday 6:30pm at the church

Focus: Young Adults, Food, Fellowship, and the Word

Van Alma Vessels of Clay

Leader: Ron Hutain

Contact Info: rhutain@gmail.com

Meets last Sunday of the month 6:00pm at the Hutain's home

Focus: Fellowship and Bible Study

Wannabe's

Leaders: Jon and Kim Talley

Contact Info: kim.talley@gmail.com

Meets 1st and 3rd Sundays at member's homes

Focus: Fellowship

War Room Warriors

Leader: Greg McClure

Contact Info: gmacbpi@gmail.com

Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month 4:00pm at the church

Focus: Prayer

Wilkerson Life Group

Leaders: Wilkerson's and Burkert's

Contact Info: linda.wilkerson@unioneagles.org

Meets every other Sunday at member's homes/church

Focus: Fellowship, Prayer and Daily Bible Reading Plan Discussion

Wise Guys

Leaders: Marilyn Goins

Contact Info: marilyngoins@gmail.com

Meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays 5:00pm at the Goins' home

Focus: Fellowship

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Heritage Riders

Leaders: Max Garrett
Contact Info: hybridhogg@gmail.com
Monthly Motorcycle Rides

Joy Seekers

Leaders: Vesta Everitt
Contact Info: veveritt@hotmail.com
Occasional trips/luncheons locally and out of town for women

Keep Moving Exercise Class

Leaders: Smokey McPhail
Contact Info: smokeymc@icloud.com
Workout for women on Tuesdays and Thursdays @ 11:30am in the Community Room

MINISTRY GROUPS

Contact the Church Office for more information @ 479-474-6424

Food Pantry (Monday/Thursday – serve; Wednesday - unload)*

Clothes Closet

Blanket Team

Simply Care Ministry

Nursery

Children's Ministry

Youth Ministry

Welcome Ministry

Worship Arts

Prison/Jail Ministry

Homeless Street Ministry

Hospital Visitations

Campus Beautification

...and more!

****We need some additional help at our Food Pantry on Monday and Thursday afternoons.
If this is something you would be interested in, please contact the church office at 479-474-6424.***



WILLING TO START A SMALL GROUP?

WILLING TO EXPLORE THE IDEA OF BEING DISCIPLED?

WILLING TO BE TRAINED AS A DISCIPLE-MAKER?

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