



Adult Life Learning Fall 2017 Opportunities to **CONNECT** to GOD's Word

*Adult Discipleship: working with the Holy Spirit to
develop healthy followers of Jesus Christ*

Idols Among Us? (Meeting Room)

Teacher: Pastor Scott

When someone speaks of idolatry, we tend to relegate the idea to Old Testament times or animistic tribes worshiping in the jungle. Surely idols have no relevance in our modern society. Not so! We unfortunately have a tendency to look to sources (food, sex, success, materialism) other than God to meet our deepest needs. This class will draw from various authors (Kyle Idleman, Tim Keller) and Biblical truth, which address the battle going on for our allegiance and worship.

"Witnessing in an Age of Intolerance and Sin" (Room 104 new classroom in basement)

Teacher: Paul Krienke

Perhaps the idea of witnessing gives you a stomach ache. But you sense the call of Jesus to be His witness none the less. This class will be focused on making the stomach ache go away. The "medicine" to accomplish this will involve training in asking good questions that spring within a respectful and listening conversation. How do we start such conversations? What do we do with missed opportunities? What are the goals of such a conversation? The "medicine" will include inspiration, our stories, adjusted paradigms, common experiences, conversation, troubleshooting and practical observations. The goal of the class will be to gain new confidence to talk the walk.

Paul's Letter to the Philippians (Room 201)

Teacher: Bryan Bargaen

Philippi was a Roman colony of citizens known for their patriotic nationalism. The book of Philippians was written from prison, yet exudes a spirit of encouragement, hope, and joy. Paul reminds the Philippians of who Jesus is through a Messianic Poem, and challenges his readers to follow that example in their lives and relationships, remembering that, in Christ, their citizenship is now in the heavenly realm, and while that may have earthly consequences, it's a far higher thing, and source of great hope and joy. The letter is a unique window into Paul's heart and mind; Paul's perspective of his own life as a re-enactment of the Jesus Story; how his awareness of Jesus' love and presence has given him hope and humility; and that knowing Jesus is deeply personal and transformative. Join us as we delve into this letter and its call to simple dependence upon and commitment to Jesus, in the midst of whatever circumstances life brings us."

Lord, Teach Us to Pray! (Room 202 Prayer Room)

Teacher: Colleen Johnson with video by Fred Hartley III

Are you hungry to encounter God's love in a tangible way? Do you want a stronger prayer life? Would you like to discover how to utilize the Lord's Prayer? Are you eager to receive dramatic answers to specific prayers? Learning to pray is a key to receiving everything God has for us. This Life Learning Class will be useful in leading you to an encounter with God. Learn from Jesus the way He taught his disciples. Discover the dynamic pattern of prayer Jesus gave. Live in Kingdom authority and walk in the love of God. Each participant will receive a Daily Prayer Journal and other useful tools.



The Adult Life Learning Classes offered on Sunday morning are just one piece of the Discipleship plan offered at Alliance Church. We seek to offer classes that engage our minds in applying biblical truth to daily life. Some of these may relate to "seasons of life" such as parenting, marriage, etc. and at times we will have classes specific for men or women. Alliance Church is blessed with teachers who love the Lord, His word and the people they share it with. Take advantage of these opportunities to learn and grow as a follower of Jesus.