

*Winter 2017*



LIFE GROUPS  
@ VCG

*because life is better together*

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# *an invitation from vcg...*

Dear Friends,

***I have really great news!*** You, your family, your hopes and dreams, your struggles, your fears, and your faith were never meant to be journeyed alone! In fact, God has uniquely designed us as human beings to need one another for emotional, physical, and spiritual survival. God's design of the Church was part of his creative response to this fundamental need we all share.

If VCG is your church home, I encourage you to reap the benefits of being in a faith community by making a Life Group a regular part of your life. It is good for you and it is good for the church when you grow in your faith and strengthen others to grow in theirs too! Participating in a Life Group is a great way to do this.

Please take a look at the groups that will be running this Winter and get plugged in! If you're not sure what to sign up for, there is a guide online that might help you decide. If you're still not sure, rest assured that all of the groups will provide a safe and meaningful atmosphere to be supported in your journey. Start somewhere.

Grace and Peace,

Abigail Gaines  
Lead Pastor



**Sign Up Today!**

wednesday begins 1/11, 6:30p



## PASSPORT

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*Passport, by: Tim Davidson*

Are you new to the VCG community? Is this your first time participating in a VCG Life Group? If yes, this is the Life Group to sign up for! At VCG we desire that every person not only accepts the invitation to be disciples of Christ, but to live out the reality that the **kingdom of God has come near**. We will spend 12 weeks exploring together what it looks like to **be his disciples** in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Some of the topics we will be covering will include prayer, belonging, worship, the Holy Spirit, and living naturally supernatural lives according to how He has gifted us.

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## GOING DEEPER

jacob & abigail gaines

katie craig



Sometimes the point of the Sunday sermon isn't so much to provide all of the answers, but to start the conversation. Have you ever left a Sunday service and wished you had a place to ask some questions and have that conversation? The **Going Deeper Life Group** is designed for just that. We will be providing an informal space where you can dialogue together as we dig deeper into what the Word of God calls us to. Come from wherever you

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## GARDEN CITY

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book fee: \$15

*Garden City* by John Mark Comer



You've heard people say "Who you are matters more than what you do". Does the Bible really teach that? In *Garden City*, popular pastor and speaker John Mark Comer gives a fresh take on our calling and our purpose, with a surprisingly counter-culture take. Comer unpacks God's creation and the original intent for how we are meant to spend our time. This Life Group will provide space to answer questions like "Does God care where I work?" "What about what I do with my free time or how much

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## SPIRITUAL FORMATION: SPIRITUAL PRACTICES THAT TRANSFORM

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book fee: \$23

*Spiritual Disciplines Companion* by Jan Johnson



Lasting change that transforms our lives often takes time, repetition, and support! This Life Group is the third of a 3-part series intended to give you a Biblical foundation for a variety of spiritual practices that will transform your intimacy with God. Using the book *Spiritual Disciplines Companion*, by Jan Johnson, we will explore scriptures that exemplify each practice and then - do them. Each set of lessons is intended to stand alone so feel free to jump into this next set of practices. This time we will cover the dis-

*friday* begins 1/13, 7:30-9p

GOING DEEPER:  
FRIDAY EDITION

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If Wednesday nights don't work with your schedule, then this is the group for you! Following the traditional *Going Deeper* group format, the Friday Night Edition will provide an informal space where you can **grow in faith and love with one another and dig deeper into what the Word of God calls us to.** Come from wherever you are and be ready to partici-

# other gatherings...

wednesday *begins 1/11, 6:30p*



H.E.L.P. GROUP:  
MENTAL/EMOTIONAL WHOLENESS  
*Healing. Encouragement. Love. Prayer.*

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This support group is intended to hold space for those who are seeking mental and emotional wholeness. God never intended for us to suffer in silence. This group will provide a safe, judgement-free place for you to relate to others and to receive the crucial support and prayer you need from week to week. If you are struggling with any mental bondage that is making it difficult for you to enjoy the life of freedom God has intended

friday *(1st of the month, 9-11a)*

f.a.m.e

*Foster & Adoptive Mother's Encouragement*

FOSTER & ADOPTIVE  
MOTHER'S ENCOURAGEMENT  
abigail gains

This group is open to the community and is designed for foster and adoptive mom's at any point in their journey of parenting. In a casual setting, we will pray, encourage and support one another as we seek the Lord on behalf of our unique families. Invite your friends!

wednesday *begins 1/11, 6:15-8:15p*



## KID'S NIGHT

dee ann larsen & laura short

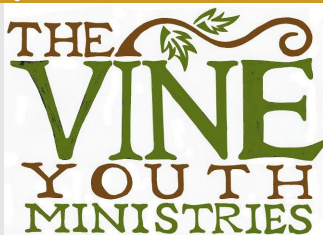
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materials fee: \$5 per child

If you're a Vineyard Kid, this night is just for you! While parents are in their Life Groups, kids nursery-5th grade will enjoy a night of fun and learning in a Christ-centered environment designed just for them. Activities will in-

wednesday *ongoing, 6:30p*

THE VINE  
YOUTH MINISTRY  
michael gibson  
@ the ministry center



It is our desire to let the youth at The Vine know that they matter and provide them with a place where they are welcomed, heard and accepted. The Vine is an opportunity to respond to the social and spiritual needs of our youth by providing fun programs, activities, and events that will allow them to express their faith through their own words

## *odd months* (check bulletin for dates)



### VINEYARD MEN

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Join the men of the church as they fellowship together every other month. Activities and locations change from month to month so watch the church calendar for updates. Invite your friends! Depending on the activity, sons are also welcome!  
**Don't miss our Men's 1-Day Retreat in May!**

## *even months* (check bulletin for dates)



### VINEYARD WOMEN

jan aldrich, laura moore, amy patterson, kirsten roquemore & sonia van-laar

Join Vineyard Women as we seek out regular opportunities to connect with one another, reach out to the local community, and grow in the call of Christ on our lives. Join us for bi-monthly fellowship gatherings and activities! Check the church calendar for dates and time. Also, mark your calendars for our annual **Spring Women's Retreat 4/7-4/9!**



# service opportunities...

## d.c.f.s care crew



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Volunteer to be present with children in the child welfare system at the point of their crises. Care Crew volunteers provide children with love and concern while they are detained and await foster care placement at the Glendora DCFS office. Volunteers are on-call on an emergency basis. Training and Live-Scan

## the rowland convalescent hospital

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As disabled elderly convalesce they can often lay in beds all day without anyone to come and visit them. At VCG, we acknowledge that this is a segment of our community that is not able to get to us, so we need to go to them! In an effort to do this, we have developed a partnership with the Rowland Convalescent Hospital. Residents have been identified who are without family or friends to visit them. We invite you to sponsor one of these residents by visiting them regularly and helping them to celebrate momentous occasions and holidays. **This**

## *social worker encouragement*



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There are nearly 700 employees who work out of the Glendora DCFS office. VCG is committed to encouraging them with the love of Christ throughout the year by coordinating moments of blessing and gratitude. These moments include: encouragement notes placed on Social Workers' desks, baked goods and coffee,

## *d.c.f.s. room maintenance*

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In 2016 Vineyard Church Glendora renovated under-resourced visitation and detaining rooms at the Glendora DCFS office to make the rooms reflective of the great worth of children. For the long-term VCG has committed to maintaining these rooms as an ongoing expression of our love and care. Regular maintenance involves: weekly light cleaning, taking inventory of sup-

*need additional support?*




**Need Prayer?**

The Prayer Chain Ministry is ready to take your requests. All requests are confidential.

You can e-mail requests to:

Would you, or someone you know, like help with meeting basic physical needs?



**Need to talk? Suffering? Not sure what to do? Feeling depressed?**



**Our Pastoral team is ready to help!**

**Don't wait!**

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