

TOTAL GROWTH DISCIPLESHIP COURSE

REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline August 31, 2020

(Hosted by VCBC English Congregation)

Synopsis:

27 weeks discipleship course developed and facilitated by Rev. Paul Chan over the past 20 years for people who desire to:

- Deepen their faith in prayer and Bible study beyond the clichés.
- Share their lives in a vulnerable and honest manner, and
- Cultivate an authentic Christian walk with other believers.

This course:

- Is **Intensive as it is Extensive** - a total of 27 sessions of about 2 ½ hours each (7:00 – 9:30pm on a designated weeknight. First half of each session would be for whole group review and discussions while in the second half, there would be further discussions and sharing in separate men's and women's sub-groups.
- Requires **Commitment for the entire course** – you have to sign a covenant to attend every session except in the case of an emergency. Requires setting aside a minimum of one-hour self-study daily in addition to your personal devotion times.
- Makes you **Read** – there are required readings from some excellent books¹, not intellectually sophisticated, but spiritually insightful.
- Is **Not Free** – While there are no fees for this course, it will require about \$200 of investment in required books (consider it like building your own library) plus the cost for an overnight weekend retreat in February (to be determined).
- Is **Rewarding** – many people have used it and found it made an impact to their spiritual lives².
- Covers these **Relevant subjects** for our times:
 - More Meaningful Prayer Life
 - A Deeper Understanding of Scriptures
 - Building Christian Marriage/Parenting/Relationships
 - Servant Leadership
 - Towards a Biblical World View.

Pre-Registration is required by **August 31** in order for us to plan adequately. Please detach and complete the registration form and sign the covenant below, and submit it to the office.

Tentative course schedule: Wednesday evenings from 7:00PM – 9:30 PM from Nov 4, 2020 to May 26, 2021 with winter and spring breaks from Dec 17 - Jan 5 and Mar 18 - 23. The weekly sessions will be conducted online using either Zoom or a similar interface. Once a month, you will be asked to organize a separate in-person time for fellowship and prayer within your respective small groups. An overnight weekend group retreat is tentatively planned for Feb 19/20.

¹TOTAL GROWTH Course Book List (estimated price per Amazon.com):

Common List for both Men and Women:

1. Prayer: Experiencing Awe and Intimacy with God (US\$ 14.99) Timothy Keller
2. Spiritual Leadership (US\$ 9.17) J. Oswald Sanders
3. My Heart Christ's Home (US\$ 2.50) Robert Boyd Munger
4. Improving Your Serve (US\$ 9.66) Charles Swindoll
5. How To Read The Bible For All Its Worth (US\$ 16.88) Stuart, Fee
6. If (US\$5.79) Amy Carmichael
7. In the Name of Jesus (US\$ 8.99) Henri J. M. Nouwen
8. Every Good Endeavour (US\$14.59) Timothy Keller

For Men only:

9. Point Man: How a Man Can Lead His Family (US\$9.41) Steve Farrar
10. If Only He Knew (US\$9.99) Gary Smalley

For Women only:

9. The Power Of A Praying Wife (US\$ 8.70) Stormie Omartian
10. For Better or for Best (US\$9.99) Gary Smalley
11. A Mother's Heart (US\$9.49) Jean Fleming