

CrossTrain Church Training Program

Below are the three levels we have in place to make disciple-makers

LEVEL 1 — D-Groups

The Purpose:

This is basic nutrition for your training. You cannot train effectively if you are not feeding on the right things. This is designed to help solidify in you the single most important skill of a disciple of Christ — the ability to not only READ but also REFLECT and RESPOND to the Word of God as you press into Jesus. And we believe the meals are seasoned best in community.

The Intended Audience:

EVERYONE of us! All the time! We believe that everyone should be participating in a D-Group; and should desire to lead a group of your own once you have finished a group.

The Content:

The Old Testament
The New Testament
The Gospel of Matthew
Other reading plans as needed

The Setting:

This will be participant driven. D-Groups are simply groups of people committed to reading and responding to the the same passages of scripture each day for mutual edification, accountability and spiritual growth. You will spend time memorizing scripture together, praying for one another, and asking each other what the Holy Spirit revealed to you in the readings in the Word each week. Groups can look very different and can gather in a variety of settings.

LEVEL 2 — Foundations

The Purpose:

This is endurance training. This is designed to help participants understand the basics of what they believe and why it matters. It will greatly increase your understanding of scripture and teach you how to share with others what the Bible says about the fundamental questions of the Christian faith. Foundations will help you not only grow firm in your faith, but will help you teach others why they can trust the Scriptures.

The Intended Audience:

EVERYONE! But not all the time. We believe that once you have established the discipline of reading and responding to God's Word everyday (D-Groups) you will want to have biblical answers to some of the most thought provoking questions of the Christian faith.

The prerequisite for the Foundations is that you have successfully participated in D-Groups

The Content:

The Foundations Tool Kit

We will use the selected sections of the Foundations Tool Kit as an introduction to theological and doctrinal ideas that shape our faith as Christians. The Tool Kit contains almost 400 passages from God's Word organized into 19 different topics covering everything from 'The Gospel of Grace' and 'Renewing Your Mind' to 'Spiritual Warfare' and 'Marriage & Family'.

The Setting:

This will be leader-driven but discussion focused. The leader will share insights into each topic to help generate discussion. Participants will come ready to share what the Spirit revealed to them in their readings and how it relates to the theological and doctrinal topics being addressed. Questions from the Foundations Tool Kit will be discussed. Outside readings from the Suggested Reading/Continued Study in the Tool Kit, as well as other resources, will be used.

LEVEL 3 — Training Center

The Purpose:

This is intense training. The variety of subjects and experiences are intentionally sequenced to intensely train people in the Word of God so that they can be fully equipped for the work of the mission to make disciples and plant churches. It is intended to prepare the participants to not only lead, but train others to lead as well. And it is presented in a way that will consistently point people back to Christ as our one true leader.

The Intended Audience:

This is open to men and women of any age who want to grow in their ability to lead others in the Word of God and their walk with Christ. As the the 'cap-stone' of our training model, it will prepare you to lead your family, groups, ministries and churches. You will be fully equipped as a disciple-maker | church planter, not only as a student, but a teacher, of the Word of God.

The prerequisites for the Training Center are that you have successfully participated in D-Groups and have worked through the Foundations Tool Kit so as to develop a solid foundation for why Word-centered ministry matters and for how it discipleship should look.

The Content:

[Each course in the sequence is a semester (10-14 weeks) in length]

Biblical Theology and the Kingdom of God
Survey of the Old Testament
Survey of the New Testament
Practical (Systematic) Theology
Practical Shepherding
Preaching and Teaching
Electives

The Setting: (Training Center continued)

This is instructor-led. It is a rigorous course of study demanding a minimum of 4-6 hours of work each week. The class time will be mostly lecture and Q & A in nature. There is substantial reading and memorization involved. Test, quizzes, and short papers are a regular part of the program. Resources will be shared that will be useful to you for years of multiplying ministry.

*We believe the **Spirit of God** uses the **Word of God** to transform the **People of God** and unite the **Family of God** into the image of the **Son of God** so that we might reveal the **glory of God** to see people come into the **Kingdom of God**.*

Our commitment and calling as disciples of Christ in CrossTrain

*Here are the 5 pillars we see as essential
to being a mature trainer:*

- Word Centered** — Reading - Reflecting - Responding to the Word of God daily
- Prayer Directed** — Prayer and Fasting as a regular habit of life
- Discipleship Driven** — In Word-centered relationships
- Service Oriented** — Serving as God's gathered people
- Mission Focused** — Engaged in the mission to make disciples & plant churches

Our commitment and calling at CrossTrain Church

Create the space (*setting | structure | time*) that can be used to facilitate training.

Foster the Gospel-Community that shows and shares the love of Christ.

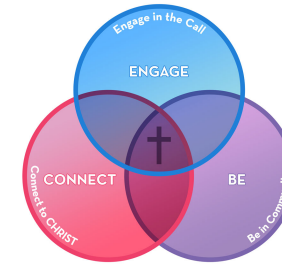
Provide the leadership examples of shepherding that shapes hearts.



TRAINING PROGRAM

MISSION:

CrossTrain exists to train people to teach God's truth in the context of redemptive community.



VISION:

The way this mission is fulfilled is through relationship!

Love God = **Connect** to Christ

Love People = **Be** in Community

Make Disciples = **Engage** in the Call

Plant Churches = **Expand** the Kingdom

VALUES:

We value 2 things as the most powerful tools to see this Kingdom vision move forward:

1. The WORD of God as the primary redemptive power to guide the souls of people.
2. The FAMILY of God (or church) as the primary redemptive plan for the world.