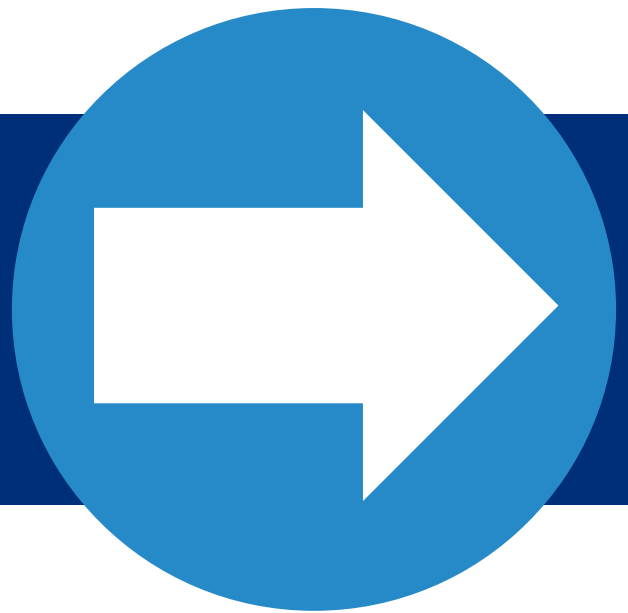


What is your  
**Next Step?**



**Your Next Step Guide**

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“ *Sharing life,* ”  
*Following JESUS*

# OUR STORY



During the summer of 2006 several families in the Rowlett area gathered to spend time in prayer, seeking the Lord, inquiring of His plans both as individuals and as a group. What was He desiring to do in Rowlett, and what part were they to play? As those individuals gathered in the living room of one of the families, praying and asking God for his direction, over several weeks there was strong agreement, a common theme. They understood that the Lord was calling them to begin a new church within the city of Rowlett. Each family had their own story of the leading of God in this area, but all of the stories arose from a common thread, and they agreed to trust the Lord in his leading and began laying the groundwork for what was to become Still Water Community Church.

Still Water had its first gathering in the living room of Richard & Denise Pope, packing over 200 people in their home for the first "official" worship service on August 20, 2006, with Pastor Kurt Horting leading.

After that meeting it became apparent that a bigger place was going to be needed for this church that had as its mission a call to REACH, TEACH and MULTIPLY. The next meeting of Still Water took place on a Sunday evening two weeks later in leased space at a small church in Rowlett. During this time that Still Water met on Sunday evenings, we were bringing in all of our own needs, to support worship and children's ministry. Yet God is good and Still Water continued to grow as people came and continued to join this new congregation.

Later that year Still Water leased a slightly larger facility, again meeting in the evenings. This new facility offered more room to grow, and again God blessed Still Water, as we saw our first baptisms happen in this facility.

All during this time the elders, and the church continued to pray seeking what God would do, remaining committed to being "tenants" for as long as God willed, and continuing to intentionally reach out to the community around us.

It was during this summer of 2007 while Still Water was continuing to meet in the leased facility Sunday evenings --- God moved.

Almost one year exactly since the group started gathering in the Popes living room God moved and opening a permanent home for Still Water. Through the grace of God, Still Water was presented with the opportunity to purchase an existing church property at 8401 Princeton Road in Rowlett. On September 9, 2007 less than thirteen months since its beginning, Still Water Community Church held its first two Sunday morning services at 9:30 and 11:00 AM in our new home. God blessed Still Water to be able to purchase this five acre site with an existing sanctuary and children's wing and pay for it in full, allowing us to keep to our belief that we were to be debt free.

The following couple of years saw Still Water continue to REACH, TEACH and MULTIPLY by intentionally building relationships within the community. God blessed us, allowing Still Water to send twenty plus from our body to plant thirteen churches in Solano Peru during the summer of 2009. During the summer of 2010 we felt led to initiate a missionary outreach program with an un-reached people group in Ecuador, the Shuar people, sending a team of 8 to lay the groundwork and build relationships that will be needed. We have participated in outreach to the community by participating in the Rowlett and Rockwall parades, honoring our first responders in Rowlett with a Thanksgiving dinner, joining in the community at the Rowlett Festival of Freedom, as well as the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, and adding staff in the form of 3 full time and 2 part time. All with the intentional focus to REACH, then TEACH, so we can MULTIPLY and expand Gods kingdom.

We believe that God has led us to this place at this time to be his hands and feet, for a world that is crying out for Him. As we continue to do that through our Community Life Groups, Youth programs, support for Young Life, helping advise and plant two new churches this year in the Rowlett- Rockwall area, because we believe that it's not about Still Water but about God's Kingdom. To that end, and coming full circle Still Water hosted a church that was without a building for a season. Allowing Still Water to serve others as they had once served us.

God is so good, and we look forward with open hands and strong hearts for what he has for us today, and tomorrow, until HE comes again.

# OUR TEAM



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# VISION & VALUES



## OUR VISION

To be a community of faith committed to...

### **Sharing life, Following JESUS**

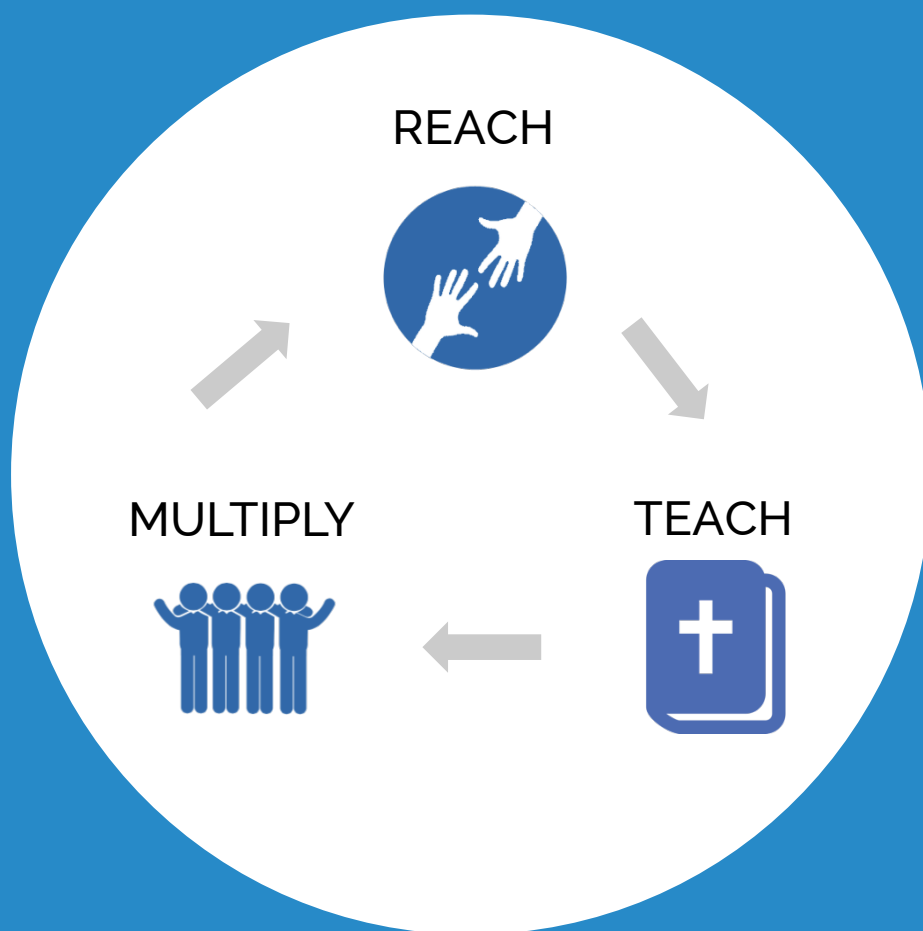
- We share that Jesus is LIFE
- We share Jesus with others that they might have life
- We share LIFE together in community
- We follow Jesus as we share His LIFE

*(Holy Spirit, Prayer, God's Word, Preaching/Teaching, Biblical Community, Godly Council)*

## VALUES

- 1.) Centered On Christ
- 2.) Compelled to Reach the Unconvinced
- 3.) Committed to Making Fully Devoted Followers
- 4.) Empowered by Prayer
- 5.) Guided by the Spirit
- 6.) Permeated with Grace
- 7.) Based on the Bible
- 8.) Actualized in Relationships
- 9.) Devoted to Being Financially Responsible
- 10.) Global in Our Vision

# OUR MISSION: REACH TEACH MULTIPLY



**REACH:** Purpose to see people come to faith

**TEACH:** Purpose to see people grow in faith

**MULTIPLY:** Purpose to see people share their faith

# REACH TEACH MULTIPLY



## Reach Teach Multiply

RTM: To Reproduce Passionate Followers of JESUS!

**The Church has been given . . .**

**the Greatest Commandment, and Great Commission for the Greatest Cause** to reproduce passionate followers of Christ who will make known HIS GREATNESS!

Jesus said, "Come follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Mark 1:17

## Come = The Invitation

**Reach** - Purpose to see people come to faith

Who?

Disconnected- those separated from Jesus and a local church

Unconvinced- those yet to place their faith and trust in Jesus as their Savior

## Follow Me I Will Make You = The Instruction

**Teach** - Purpose to see people grow in their faith

How?	Teach them how to . . .
Pray	Who? What? Where? When? Why? How?
Study	Observation, Interpretation, Application
Memorize	Principally or Word for Word Key passages
Apply	Grow in our ability to apply truth through faith to our lives
Share	Learn to share our faith, and our lives with others

## Fishers of Men = The Implementation

**Multiply** - Purpose to see people share their faith

Locally –      Lead a CLG  
                    Use your spiritual gifts and serve  
                    Look for opportunities, Home, relatives, neighborhoods,  
                    work, Local Church, Community, World, Mentor

Globally -      Short term mission, Long Term Missions, Pray, Give, and or Go!







OUR  
PATHWAY  
FOR YOU

# SERVING OPPORTUNITIES



## SERVING

### **Interested in Serving in the Local Church?**

Here are some opportunities where you can begin making a difference for Christ in His church at Still Water.

- |                              |                              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| - Welcome Team               | Greg MacInnis                |
| - Special Events Team        | Beth Horting                 |
| - Creative Arts Team         | Michael Hunter               |
| - Missions                   | Elaine Larson                |
| - Love Out Loud Ministry     | Jim Dupree / Michael Losurdo |
| - AV / Sound Team            | Jerrilynn Blocker            |
| - Quilting/Crafting Ministry | Sharon Whisler               |
| - Prayer Team                | Susie Daulong                |
| - Children's Ministry        | Jared Bebee                  |
| - Middle School Ministry     | Brandon Jenkins              |
| - High School Ministry       | Brian Young                  |
| - Building & Grounds         | Ken Moss                     |
| - Worship Team               | Daniel Castaneda             |

*\*\*Teaching and leadership opportunities available with family membership.\*\**

# ELECTIVE CLASSES



Explore opportunities to immediately get connected, take classes, grow and serve!

There are times in life when you need to go to school. So we have First Step Courses where you can dig deeper into questions of faith and see what God's word has to say about it. There are even courses that your Life Group can take together!

**How can you share your faith, comfortably and naturally with the people at work?**

[Sharing Your Faith Made Easy](#) | required for family membership

**Want to get a better handle on your finances?**

[Financial Peace University](#) | [swccrowlett.org/fpu](#)

**Looking to strengthen your marriage?**

[Re|Engage](#) | [swccrowlett.org/marriage](#)

**Looking to take steps to become more spiritually healthy and overcome addictions or behaviors that have a strong hold on your life? We offer a ministry designed to encourage and assist participants to experience greater levels of continual life transformation.**

[New You](#) | [swccrowlett.org/newyou](#)

**Want to discover how God uniquely wired you to make a difference for the local church?**

[Ignite](#) | [swccrowlett.org/ignite](#) | required for family membership

**Are you new / newer in your faith? Learn how to build a strong foundation and relationship with Christ, and get answers to commonly asked questions that new and newer Christians have, but were always "afraid to ask".**

[Starting From Scratch](#)

*Each of us is at a different place on the path to Christlikeness. Find all our courses at [swccrowlett.org/connect](#)*





# CONNECT IN A GROUP

## COMMUNITY LIFE GROUPS - CLG

*Life Groups are designed to be a full expression of biblical community.*

Everyone needs to belong to a family. Life Groups provide a place for people to fully engage with others, build deep friendships and experience life together, just like a healthy family.

As Life Group families grow in number, they expand to create new groups to share the privilege of community with more and more people.

In Life Groups, people study God's Word, care for one another, grow together and seek ways to serve others beyond the group. Groups typically meet year-round in host homes.

### **Life Group Spiritual Growth Model**

Pray, Study, Memorize, Apply, Share

### **Life Group Values**

**A.C.T.S.** Accountability, Confidentiality, Transparency, Support

Find a life group today, visit [swccrowlett.org/clg](http://swccrowlett.org/clg)

# GROUP OPPORTUNITIES



## Find the right fit!

We have various groups that are gender specific or designed for special stages of life:

**Men:** [swccrowlett.org/men](http://swccrowlett.org/men)

**Women:** [swccrowlett.org/women](http://swccrowlett.org/women)

**Young Adults:** [swccrowlett.org/youngadults](http://swccrowlett.org/youngadults)

**Fifty-Five + :** [swccrowlett.org/LAFF](http://swccrowlett.org/LAFF)

**Young Families:** [swccrowlett.org/clg](http://swccrowlett.org/clg)

**Mixed Singles & Married:** [swccrowlett.org/clg](http://swccrowlett.org/clg)





# DISCIPLESHIP & DISCIPLINES

## PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

- Pursue Full Devotion to Christ
- Build Meaningful Relationships with a Few
- Model and Teach following Christ
- Embrace Tough Love Conversations
- Equip others to equip others to equip others

## LOCAL CHURCH DISCIPLINES

- Attend Worship Consistently
- Connect Relationally
- Serve Faithfully
- Give Generously
- Resolve Conflict Biblically

# FAMILY MEMBERSHIP



Partner With Us...

Does it really matter if I'm a member or not? Why do I have to take a class to even become a member? Why do I have to sign anything? People often ask these questions about our membership process, skeptical as to why there seems to be so many hoops to jump through. It's true. We take membership seriously and with a lot of gravity. Committing yourself to a body of believers is weighty. But it's also wonderful. When Members join, they commit to a spiritual family that provides encouragement and support. They are called to a biblical degree of responsibility, service and sacrifice to their brothers and sisters. Our elders and leaders also pledge to assist our Members with care, counsel, prayer and teaching.

## STEPS TO FAMILY MEMBERSHIP



### **SPIRITUAL STATUS**

- Profession of faith



### **BELIEFS**

- Essential beliefs align with SWCC



### **REQUIRED CLASSES**

- Starting Point
- Ignite
- Sharing Your Faith



### **MEMBERSHIP CLASSES**

- Class ONE
- Class TWO

*\*Membership is required to lead a community life group and other ministries.*





# CHILDREN



Our heart is for Sunday to be the best day of your child's week. We want to give every child the chance to know Jesus, to grow and mature in Him, and to show the fruit of a relationship with Jesus in their lives! Our dedicated volunteers strive to create a safe and fun environment where kids can experience God on their level!



## **ACTIVITIES:**

Bible Buck Store, Summer Camp, Vacation Bible School, Easter Outreach, Fall Fest, Candy Cane Workshop and more....

[swccrowlett.org/kids](http://swccrowlett.org/kids)

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# STUDENTS



## MIDDLE SCHOOL (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)

WOW Wednesdays provide an opportunity to hang out together, play some fun games, engage in worship and hear a message taught from the Word of God.

**WEDNESDAYS 6:30pm-8:00pm**

**CONTACT: Brandon Jenkins - [brandon@swccrowlett.org](mailto:brandon@swccrowlett.org)**



## HIGH SCHOOL (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades)

The Refinery is the student ministry at Still Water for students in High School. Our heart is to see every student connect with Jesus and build lasting relationships with other students. Whatever their age, the Lord has amazing plans for their lives and it starts right now. Every Sunday night we worship together and learn what it really means to live for Jesus.

**SUNDAYS 6:30pm-8:00pm**

**CONTACT: Brian & Katy Young – [brian@swccrowlett.org](mailto:brian@swccrowlett.org)**



## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Summer Camp, Mission Trip, Focus Weekend, Conferences, Lock-ins, Retreats and more...





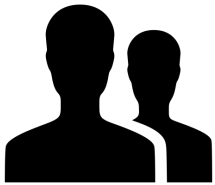




# GIVING



At Still Water we do not “pass the plate”. Instead, we offer 5 convenient ways to give towards God’s work at Still Water.



**IN PERSON** - Make giving part of your Sunday morning worship experience by bringing a check or cash and placing it in the offering box located near the entrances and exits. Please make checks payable to “Still Water Community Church.”



**ONLINE** - Giving online is a simple and secure way to give your tithes and offerings from wherever you are. You can choose to give a one time gift or setup a recurring gift. [swccrowlett.org/giving](http://swccrowlett.org/giving)



**AUTOMATED** - An auto draft from your checking or savings account means you never have to worry about remembering to write your tithe and offering check, even if you are out of town. [swccrowlett.org/giving](http://swccrowlett.org/giving)



**TEXT** -Simply text STILLWATER to 77977. You will receive a text message reply. Click on the link and follow the prompts to give. If you would like help setting up text giving, contact us and we would be happy to help!



**MAIL** - We welcome tithes and offerings via mail. You can send your tithes and offerings to SWCC by mailing them to: Still Water Community Church 8401 Princeton Rd. Rowlett, TX 75089

# STAY INFORMED



## TEXT UPDATES:

TEXT: swcc

TO: 972-362-4142



## EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Sign Up to receive our newsletter:  
[swccrowlett.org/newsletter](http://swccrowlett.org/newsletter)

## SOCIAL MEDIA



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# FIRST STEPS RESPONSE CARD

## FAMILY INFORMATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD'S NAME/DOB \_\_\_\_\_

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CHILD'S NAME/DOB \_\_\_\_\_

## SPIRITUAL STATUS

Spiritual Status Self Check-Up:                      Exploring                      Starting                      Growing                      Maturing

Have you accepted Jesus as the Lord and Savior of your life?      YES / NO

If no, would you like to know more about taking that step?      YES / NO

If yes and you died today, on a scale of 1-10 how certain are you that you would spend eternity in heaven with Jesus?  
(1 being not very sure, 10 being absolutely sure)

1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10

If you answered 10, please explain why Jesus would let you into heaven? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Were you raised in church?      YES / NO      If so, what denomination/ faith background? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been baptized      YES / NO      Age of baptism: \_\_\_\_\_      Church Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Church Membership & Location (If applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

What prompted you to seek a new church home at this time and what is most important to you in a new church home?  
\_\_\_\_\_

# GET CONNECTED TODAY!

## KEY CLASSES (REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP)

check all in which you have interest

- 1.) Ignite Spiritual Gifts Class
- 2.) Family Membership Class One
- 3.) Family Membership Class Two

## ENTRY LEVEL SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

circle all in which you have interest

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Team               | <input type="checkbox"/> Love Out Loud Ministry    | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Team     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quilting/Crafting Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events Team       | <input type="checkbox"/> Missions        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Arts/ Drama Team  | <input type="checkbox"/> Extra Value Meal Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> AV & Sound Team |

## THE NEW YOU

This is a ministry designed to encourage and assist participants to experience greater levels of continual life transformation. It is for those who would say they want and need support to overcome bad habits, hurts and hang ups and may be struggling with addictions, obsessions, or just want to gain some victory through Christ where they are currently experiencing defeat. This is a safe place where attenders can be transparent and share their struggles and get help. People from all backgrounds and circumstances are seeing God transform their lives. Come to the NEW YOU and see how God can transform your life!

I'm interested in The New You!       I am not interested

## SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES / GROUPS

check all in which you have interest

- Starting From Scratch (New/Newer Believers) Fall/ Spring
- Financial Peace University (1<sup>st</sup> Qtr Annually)
- RelEngage Marriage Transformation Group
- Sharing Your Faith Made Easy - Fall/Spring
- Community Life Group - Adults

- Best Day/Time that works for you \_\_\_\_\_

- Type of Group Interested in \_\_\_\_\_