

ADULT STUDIES WINTER 2009

GROW together -- ADULT EDUCATION



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Trietsch offers many adult growth opportunities through education. We deliberately schedule studies that appeal to those just beginning to seek answers, to new believers, to mature Christians.

You can register for any study online at tmumc.org; at the Connection Center GROW table on Sunday mornings, or in the church office during the week. Childcare is available during most studies, with a 24-hour advance reservation to 972-539-8547, ext. 299.

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GROW OPPORTUNITIES

Crown Financial

Sundays, 5-7 p.m.; Jan. 30 - Apr. 18,

Led by Jeff and Lisa Worley

Cost: \$55 Couple/\$45 Single

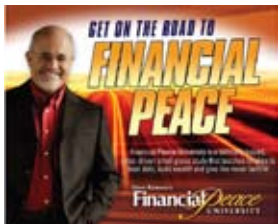
Trietsch will offer the Crown Biblical Financial Study again in the fall. This study teaches a life-transforming message about faithfully living by God's financial principles. On an average, Crown participants: Reduce their personal debt by 38% & Increase their savings by 58%. Crown has taught more than 50 million people the life-transforming message of faithfully living by God's financial principles.



Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

Sundays, 5-7 p.m.; Jan. 10 - Apr. 25;

Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.; Jan. 6 - Apr. 14; Cost \$115 per family



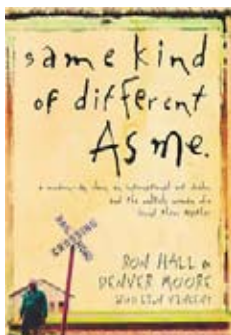
This video-based series is a life-changing program that teaches how to take control of your finances and change the way you think about money. The 13-week course is educational, entertaining, and provides a different topic each week. Over 500,000 people have completed this course and have changed

their financial position by an average of \$8,000 in just 13 weeks. Achieve your financial goals and experience true financial peace.

Faith Lessons from Same Kind of Different as Me **Coming in February**

If you were astounded by the unlikely true story of a life-changing friendship in *Same Kind of Different as Me*, you can now go deeper into the story and its powerful themes with the *Faith Lessons From...Same Kind of Different As Me*.

Appealing to many audiences, *Same Kind of Different as Me* compares one man's experience with 20th-century "slavery" and homelessness with another's portrayal of his own complacency and wealth. *Same Kind of Different as Me* is an inspirational true story that crosses the barriers of society.



Membership Matters

Sundays, 11 a.m.; Jan. 10 - 31; Free



Join us for "Membership Matters" a 4-week class for those wanting to know more about the meaning of membership. If you would like to know more about Trietsch, are interested in joining the church, or if

you are a current member that would like to know more about the meaning of membership, then check out "Membership Matters."

Join us as we explore together –

- Expectations and meaning of membership at Trietsch
- How we journey through our Discipleship pathway to become fully developing disciples.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet new friends, have questions answered and learn more about what it means to be a part of Trietsch as we Come, Grow and Serve Together.

Uncluttered Heart - Making Room for God **During Advent and Christmas**

Tuesdays, 12 - 1 p.m. or 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.; Dec. 1 - 29

Cost: \$13 (purchase in Connection Center or in the church office)

Advent is the season of the church year during which we prepare our lives for the coming of the Christ child. Advent is also often the busiest time of the year. What a challenge for us as Christians. If you would like help clearing away obstructions to God-our worries, distractions, negative habits-so that your heart and spirit are open to God's movement during this holy time. Join others as we read and discuss the book "*The Uncluttered Heart – Making Room for God During Advent and Christmas*".



If you would like to join in the small group experience you may register at tmunc.org or in the Connection Center at the GROW table. Join others who are reading the book each Tuesday during December for a one hour discussion and sharing experience where we will deepen and broaden the personal experience of using this book, develop additional avenues for support during this stressful time of year, take time with God in a corporate setting, and assist each other in going deeper with themes from each week of Advent.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

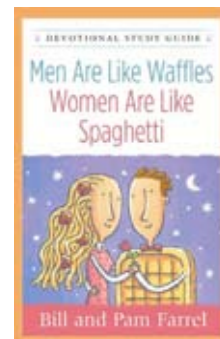
Men are Like Waffles, Women are Like Spaghetti

Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8 p.m.; Jan. 13 - Feb. 24

Cost: \$15 ; Led by Vikki and Joe Culwell

Author: Bill Farrel, Pam Farrel

Men & Women know they are different, but what can they do about the differences? In this refreshing, humorous look at relationships, Bill & Pam Farrel explain why a man is like a waffle (each element of his life is in a separate box), why a woman is like a plate of spaghetti (everything in her life touches everything else), and how the differences can work for you.



BIBLE STUDIES

Book of Matthew (Women's Study)

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.; Jan. 7 - Apr. 14; Cost \$8

Led by Beverly Blasius

This study is a verse-by-verse, in depth look at the book of Matthew, including background material, word studies and history of the biblical setting and then applying the Scripture to daily life situations.

Breaking Free: The Journey, the Stories (Women's Study) **by Beth Moore**

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.; Jan. 13 - Mar. 31; Cost \$25

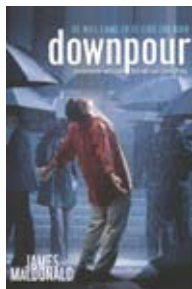
Breaking Free is a 10 week study written by Beth Moore about freedom in Christ. A Christian is held captive by anything that hinders the abundant and effective Spirit-filled life God planned. Through Scripture you will discover the transforming power of Christian freedom as you are released from bondage.



Downpour (Women's Study)

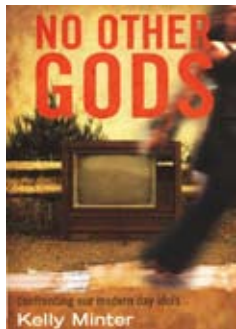
***Wednesdays, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.; Jan. 13 - Apr. 14
Cost \$25***

This 13-week study by James MacDonald is a powerful call to revival from the book of Hosea. The landscape of our lives has become dry and scorched. But heaven is bursting with the blessings God wants to rain down on us--not a drizzle but a deluge. When we look to the Lord...He will heal us...revive us...and restore us.



No Other Gods - Confronting our Modern Day Idols (Women's Study)

***Thursdays, Jan. 14 - Mar. 11,
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.; Cost \$15; Led by Lori Lester***



Looking for a relational yet deep approach to Bible study? Ready to merge to Scripture with "real life." Are you longing for something that will feed your soul and your body? Join other women on a journey that makes room for God by confronting the modern-day idols that clutter and claim our hearts. Eight weeks of study, dinner recipes, interactive website extras--all you need for a life-changing study experience.

Following Jesus (Women's Study)

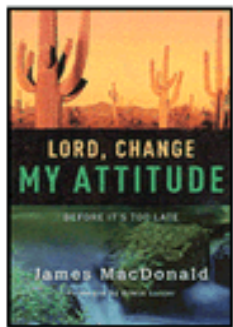
***Tuesdays, 7 - 8:30 p.m.; Jan. 12 - Mar. 6
Cost \$10; Led by Camille Reeder***

First produced by Ginghamburg UMC, this 12-session study is perfect for groups just beginning their faith walk or for anyone looking for a deeper foundation. *Following Jesus* leads adults to rediscover Jesus, grow in the spirit and learn to live in faith and in service to the church, community and world. Sections covered - Rediscovering Jesus, Growing in the Spirit and Living in Faith and Service.

Lord, Change My Attitude

***by James MacDonald & Barb Peil
Thursdays, 7 - 9 p.m.; Jan. 14 - Apr. 15
Cost \$15; Led by Beth Lutz***

Do you need an attitude adjustment? What does God think about attitudes? James MacDonald says that God cares deeply about our attitudes. In this study based on the Israelite's journey out of Egypt - with lots of contemporary examples, James shows how attitudes can affect whether someone stays in the wilderness with negative attitudes or enjoys the blessings of the promised land with God-honoring attitudes. An attitude is something we choose, not our circumstances or our genes. It's our choice and that means we can change it! This study guides you in making that move from the wilderness to promised-land living.



Shoulder to Shoulder (Men's Study)

***Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 p.m.; Jan. 14 - Apr. 8
Cost \$12***

This 12-week men's Bible study examines the lives of the Apostles--what they shared, how they were different, where they stumbled, and how Christ transformed them into powerful servants of God. Each of these leaders faced trials, frustration and failure, yet was inspired by God to achieve great goals. In a world where Christian male role models seem increasingly rare, this series reminds us that some of the most worthy examples of godly character can be found in the biblical figures who brought power, wisdom, and inspiration to God's people. As you walk through this study, you will see yourself in these men and confirm Jesus' power to use your personal strengths and glaring weaknesses for His glory.



ONGOING STUDIES **(JOIN AT ANY TIME)**

Life Journal

Wednesdays, noon - 1 p.m.; \$10; Led by Denise Robinson



The LIFE Journal provides daily readings from both the Old and New Testament. The journal asks one simple question after every reading: "How will I be different today because of what I have just read?" Our weekly gathering will provide us the opportunity to share what God is doing in our lives as well as provide accountability. This Bible study is for both men and women!

The Quest For Authentic Spiritual Discernment (Men's Study)

Fridays, 6-7 a.m., Cost: Free; Led by Dr. John Allen

Men of all ages are welcome to join any time during the year the study group, The Quest for Authentic Spiritual Discernment. This walk through the Bible is led by our Sr. Pastor, Dr. John Allen. We will explore what it means to be a "man" in our own lives, our families, our businesses, and our community. In the changing face of the world we live in, the time is right for all of us to be engaged in study that will provide insights and guidance on how to live out the life principles revealed in Holy Scripture. The study, from 6 am to 7 am on Friday mornings, is designed to encourage and equip you in all facets of your life! This study is ongoing. For more details on this life-changing study for men.



A scholarship fund has been set up for those than cannot afford to participate in studies or other GROW opportunities. If you would like to contribute, send your tax-deductible donation to the Finance office marked Adult Discipleship Fund.

For more information or to register for any of the above studies, visit tmumc.org or contact Jann Harrell at jannah@tmumc.org.

