**Re|Engage - Frequently Asked Questions**

**When and where does the Re|Engage group meet?**

We will meet Monday evenings at 7 pm in the CE Building (118 N Ball St, Sedro Woolley - Right off HWY 20)

**What is the origin of Re|Engage?**

The program was launched at Watermark Community Church in September 2008 and has since expanded to other churches in the DFW area and nationwide.

**What does a typical meeting at Re|Engage “look like”?**

* 7 pm – 8:30 pm
	+ Open with prayer.
	+ Introduce yourselves and a fact or two (number of years married, length of time involved with re|engage, number of kids, etc.).
	+ Explain what Open Group is all about (see “re|engage Overview” on page 3).
	+ Hand out the lesson card to each participant.
	+ Cover the lesson material for the week.
	+ Remaining time is used questions about re|engage logistics or expectations.

The time we spend together will be focused on that week’s topic. Each couple will be given an opportunity to share what they learned together with the group. We will also have a time of encouraging one another and to pray with and for each other.

**Will I be asked a lot of personal questions at Re|Engage?**

There is no personal sharing required during the group meeting. Though we encourage you to remain active in group discussion, any personal sharing during group meetings is voluntary.

**How do I know that what I share at Re|Engage will be kept confidential? Will it be a safe place to share?**

We believe that scripture calls us to refrain from gossip and we ask all participants and facilitators to adhere to the guidelines that what is discussed in the group stays in the group. Re|Engage facilitators are encouraged to operate under the direction of God’s Word in handling the information shared in the group. To provide a safe environment, the facilitators have committed to not share information about others outside the group except in the event of the threat of physical, emotional, or spiritual injury, then to be dealt with under the guidance of Re|Engage staff.

**Can I be honest with people about what is going on in our marriage?**

Our prayer is that you will feel safe to share within your small group. We find that the more authentic and transparent couples can be with others, the more they find hope and healing within their marriage.

**Is Re|Engage marriage counseling?**

Re|Engage is not marriage counseling and the leaders are facilitators, not counselors. They are also growing in their own marriages. Everyone in the group is on the journey to oneness in marriage. We believe that openness and honesty in a small group setting, using Biblically-based curriculum, is where God works to grow and resurrect marriages.

**Do you provide child care?**

The open group that meets on Mondays will not have childcare available.

**How much time each week outside of the meeting is required to be part of Re|Engage?**

The time required will vary, but it is designed for minimal time commitment. Like with many things in life, investments require time and our marriages need to be our biggest investment if we want it to get better.

**What commitment do I have to make?**

Once you join a closed group, working through the Re|Engage curriculum will require a 3-month commitment. This is the time in which the group is working through the curriculum together.

**I don’t know if I’ll have a marriage by the end of the month. Is Re|Engage a good place for us?**

Absolutely! There are many couples who have attended, or are attending, who are separated or divorced. While the outcome is based on the work each individual is willing to do to save their marriage, the platform provides a safe place to focus on what a healthy marriage should look like, and it provides some tools to help grow toward this goal.

**We don’t like spending time with each other anymore. Will we have to interact together?**

While you will be in a small group together, each of you will be sharing about what you learn personally each week. However, there are some exercises that may require you to interact with each other throughout the process.

**I have no hope anymore. Is this a place where we can find hope?**

Our prayer is that you will find hope that can come through allowing God to do a mighty work within your marriage.

**My marriage is doing well. Can we benefit by attending Re|Engage?**

Whether your marriage needs to be reignited, or is in need of a complete resurrection, Re|Engage is a safe place for couples to reconnect.

**We have only been married for 6 months. Can we still come?**

Absolutely! In fact, participating in Re|Engage at this stage in your marriage is a great idea! The program will provide a strong foundation for your marriage.

**For any other questions regarding Re|Engage, please contact Pastor Marcus at** marcus@nccf.tv