



**FAITHFUL
FOLLOWERS**



GROWth Guide | August



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Our Vision

Our vision is to reach, grow, and empower committed followers of Jesus Christ, who live life to the fullest, through growing in relationship with God, strengthening relationships with others, and bringing life to the world through service.

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Live Out Your Faith ... Are you **GROWing** today?

Join us every Sunday in July as we focus on the following theme ...



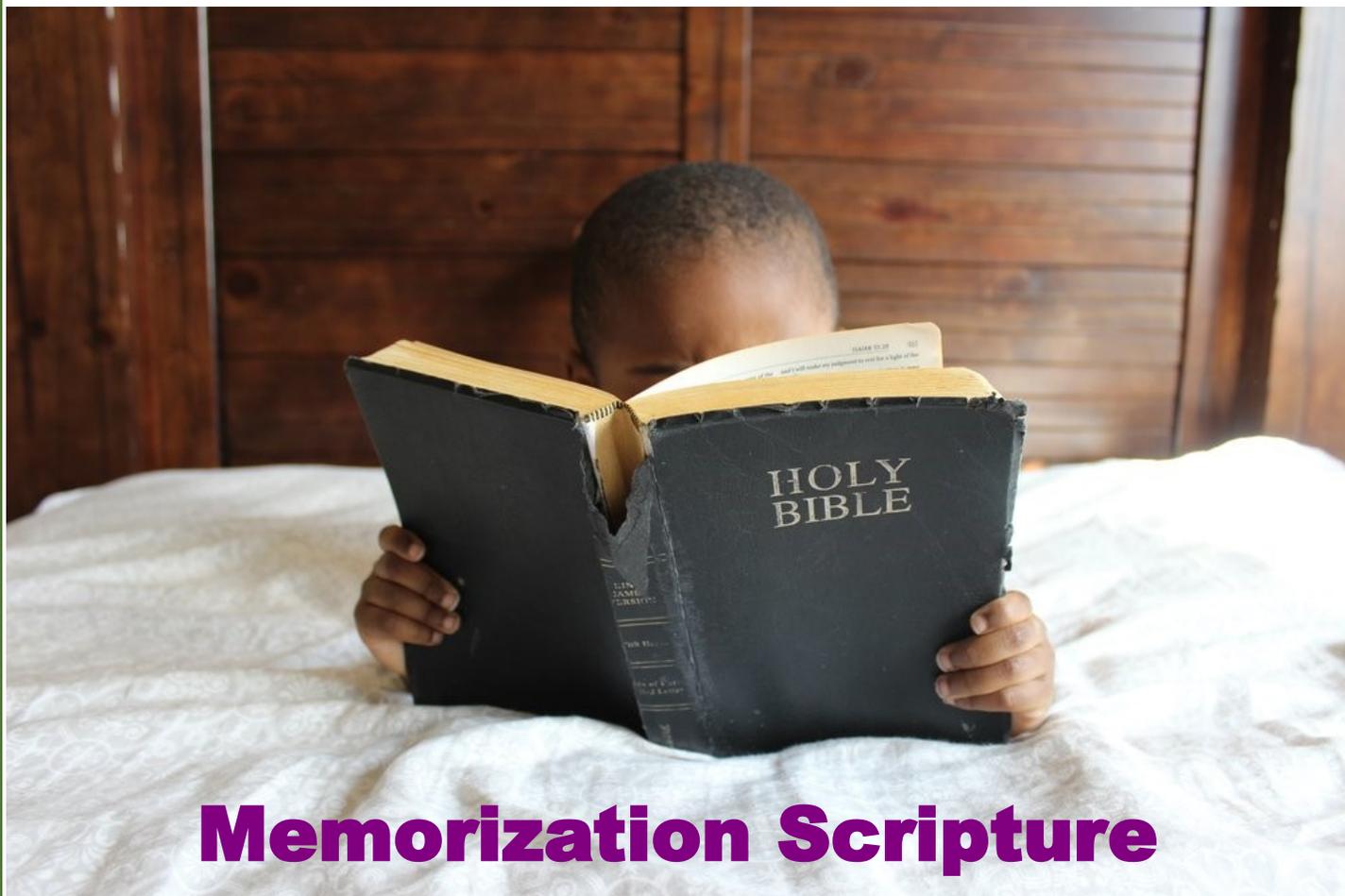
Faithful Followers:

HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD

Theme for Series:

This series will focus on discerning the voice of God. As disciples, we are called to “listen to God’s voice.” How do you know when God is speaking to you? What are some of the things that keep us from hearing God’s voice? The Bible says God speaks to God’s children. Therefore, as disciples we must grow in our ability to know when God is speaking so that we can listen and obey what God says.

Hide the Word in your heart by committing the Scripture to memory.
Meditate upon the Word and apply it to your life!



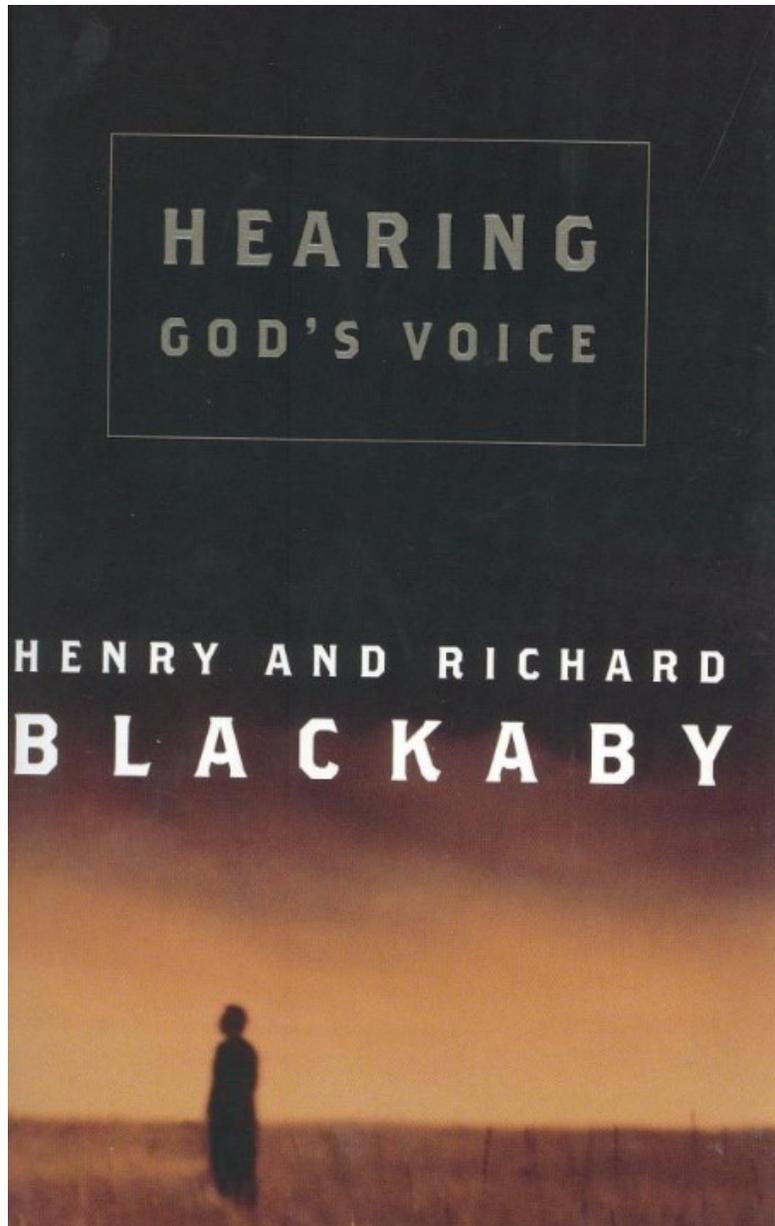
Memorization Scripture

Psalm 37:23-24 English Standard Version (ESV)

- 23 The steps of a man are established by the LORD,
when he delights in his way;
24 though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong,
for the LORD upholds his hand.

Read entire chapter [HERE](#)

Each month, we will be reading one book that will encourage our faith and deepen our knowledge of God. Read with us and share insights with us on Social Media using the hashtag **#BGCBOM**



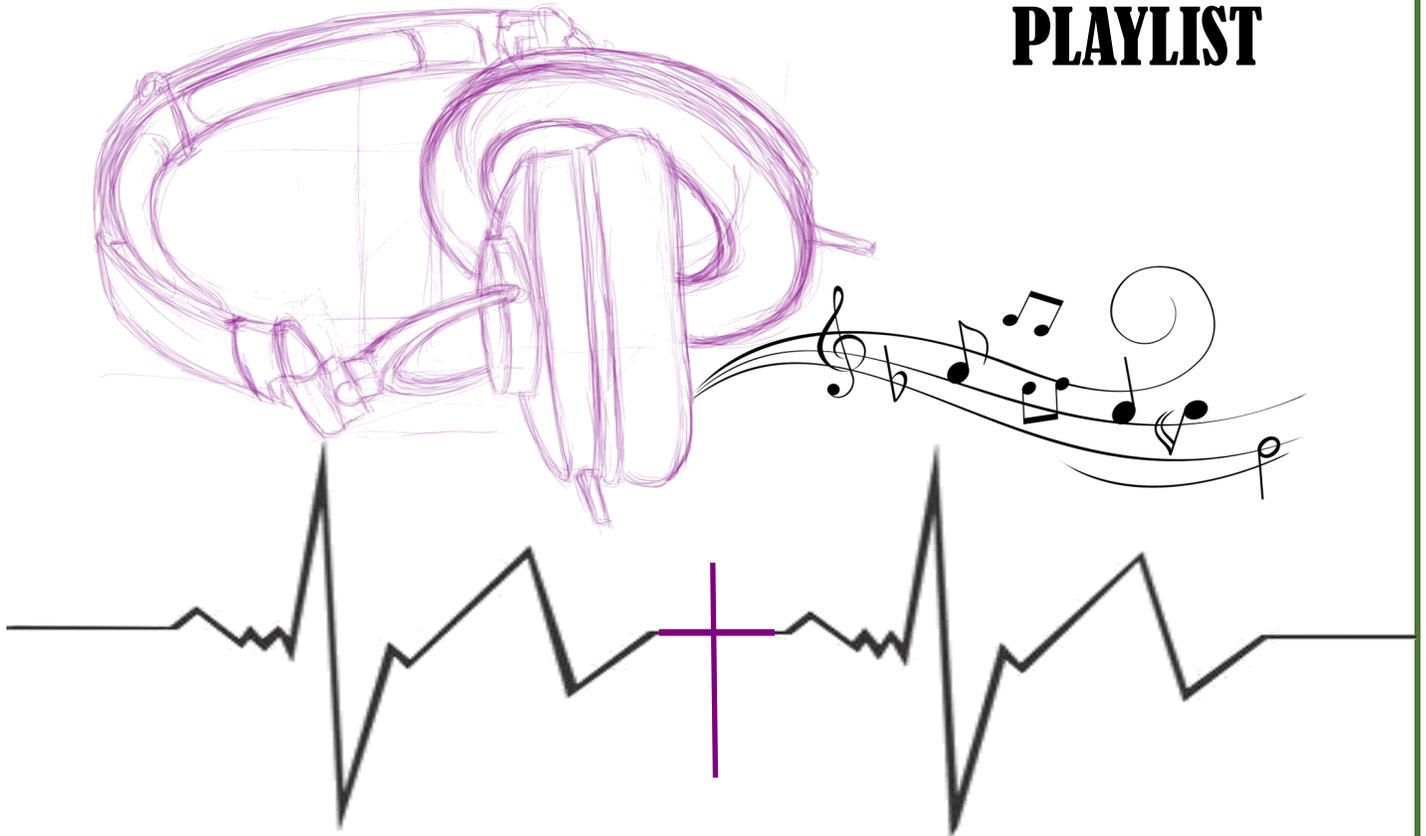
Book of the Month (BOM)

Purchase [HERE](#)

You can also REGISTER for our Book Club Life Group [HERE](#)

One of the ways we encourage our Spirits is through singing songs, hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts (Colossians 3:16). Listen and learn some of the songs on this playlist. Our choirs and praise team will be ministering some of these songs during the month. Prepare to "make a joyful noise" with us in worship by allowing these songs to minister to your Spirit through the month.

PLAYLIST



Track	Artist	Listen
<i>Use Me</i>	Brooklyn Tabernacle	https://youtu.be/t_6qbQ87k6I
<i>Available to You</i>	Milton Brunson	https://youtu.be/eopVmm_uvHQ
<i>Outpour</i>	Deirtrick Haddon	https://youtu.be/fVVqXZEdRGo
<i>Use Me, Have Your Way</i>	Ken Blount	https://youtu.be/I0YdrhxwSk0
<i>Jesus Use Me</i>	David Gaulton	https://youtu.be/jZEdJ63XaLk
<i>I Give Myself Away</i>	William McDowell	https://youtu.be/0dwB29pYR40

Sing along with us in our Sunday worship services at 8 AM, 10 AM and 1215 PM

In this information age, it's easier than ever to access the knowledge we seek. Podcasts can be a great way to encourage your faith through Biblically-based teaching during your week... "so faith comes by hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ" (Romans 10:17). Here is a Pod Cast that we recommend:



LIVE IT OUT is the new BGC Podcast with Pastor Akinbinu, Rev. Micah Thomas, and Rev. Reggie Wise. The purpose of the podcast is to equip, encourage and empower believers with ways to practically live out their faith in the world. Join us each week to discuss each book of the Bible and go deeper to help you explore your faith and teach you new ways to LIVE IT OUT.

You can find the podcast on Apple, Google, or the BGC App.

Overview: Pray the Bible whenever you want and wherever you are. Whether you're new to prayer or you've tried praying for years, Praying the Bible promises to help you encounter God by praying God's Word. Our desire is to help you and your friends encounter God more consistently and more confidently through prayer. We want nothing more than to help make prayer a more regular part of your life. The style and format of this podcast allow you to pray whenever you want and wherever you are. Take Praying the Bible on the go, invite friends to join you for Praying the Bible, or use Praying the Bible to jump-start your devotional habits. We want to see thousands more people encountering God by praying God's Word.

URL to access podcast: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/praying-the-bible/id1362107798>

G.R.O.W. (Grow Reading Our Word)

In 2019, our desire is to continue to grow in faith through reading the Word of God. The Word of God provides what followers of Christ need for knowing and doing God's will. It is profitable for teaching, reproof, correction, and training in righteousness (*2 Timothy 3:16*). Therefore, reading and meditating upon the Word of God, daily, is essential for spiritual growth and development. Our hope is that reading the daily scriptures in the **Kingdom Bible Reading Plan** will empower you to better understand and apply your faith to your daily living. Ultimately, our prayer is that as you read, your love for our great and awesome God will increase and your love will be reflected in your obedience to Him.

Kingdom Bible Reading Plan access:

<https://jasonderouchie.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/DeRouchie-KINGDOM-BRP.pdf>

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Make the Word come alive through your actions this month. Live it out! Here are some ways you can live in faith, fellowship, and service this month. Share what you are doing using the hashtag #BGCROW or #BGCRALEIGH or #LIVEITOUT

#LIVEITOUT

Living in Faith

- Take time to listen to the voice of God. Take time out each day (15-20 min) to listen. Journal how God speaks to you during this time.
- One of the ways God speaks to us is through the Word. Take time to read the Word daily. Write three ways the Word applies to you.

Living in Fellowship

- **Life Classes-** God desires for us to live in abundance and freedom in all areas of our lives. Life classes cover a wide variety of topics and are designed to teach participants practical skills, based on biblical principles, through a sustained engagement over the course of several weeks. The curriculum provides comprehensive programming to address critical life issues. In this session of Life Classes participants will discover the impediments to establishing healthy relationships and learn skills to tear down the strongholds that have been preventing them from having victory in these areas. In our fall session of Life Classes we will be focusing on cultivating healthy relationships. **Our topics will cover Marriage, Blended Families, Parenting, Singleness, & Grief.** **Registration for Life Classes opens on Sunday, August 11th.**
- **Life Groups-** Life is better when we do it together. Christians are not meant to live in isolation, but in community with other believers. That's why we created Life Groups. Life Groups help members grow in their relationship with God as they grow in relationship with others. No matter your age, interests, or life circumstances there's a group for you. **Registration for Life Groups opens Sunday, August 18th.**
- "Surprise the World" by blessing a stranger this month. Let them know that you are blessing them because of your love for Jesus! If you are led, invite them to worship with us.

Living in Service

"The purpose for God's masterful work on and in us is that God might do work through us"
—Pastor Akinbinu

Looking for ways to engage in kingdom work around you? Show the love, hope, and light of Jesus through some of these outreach opportunities:

REFRESH Summer Meals | Each Wednesday, 7/10-8/21

Each Wednesday until August 21st from 5:45-6:45pm, Baptist Grove Church will be serving free, nutritious, and delicious meals from Golden Corral. If you're interested in volunteering, sign up under Outreach Ministry [HERE!](#)

Women's Center of Wake County

The Women's Center is the only drop-in safety and stabilization day shelter in The Triangle region of North Carolina, serving 30-50 women every day, year-round. Homeless women, staying in local Emergency Overnight Shelters must vacate each morning and cannot return until the evening. The Women's Center provides shelter and critical, life-saving services, such as medical and behavioral healthcare, food, clothing, hygiene items, housing support and assistance with acquiring vital documents and accessing local resources. Gather the family, a group of coworkers, or your life group to engage in service by adopting a date to serve a meal to the women at Women's Center of Wake County. Contact Viki Redding at 919.829-3711 x108 or viki.redding@wvc.org for more information.

GET CONNECTED—STAY CONNECTED: <http://bgcraleigh.com/newsletter>

Our mission is to help children discover who God is through the story of the Bible. Children, parents and volunteers experience the love of God through their interaction with children's ministry. The environment exudes nurture. *"Remember your creator in the days of your youth." Ecclesiastes 12:1*

BGC Discovery

**BGC Discovery Preschool (ages 3-4) and
Discovery Children (Kindergarten-5th grade)**

Recommended App(s):

SUPERBOOK

A media-rich experience that helps bring the Bible to life with videos and images from the Emmy nominated SUPERBOOK animation series as well as engaging interactive games. You can learn more by visiting the following link: <http://ng.superbook.cbn.com/app>

Superbook Movie: (1-5th grade)

Peter's Escape <http://us-en.superbook.cbn.com/gizmonote/g405>

RightNow Media: (ages 3-Kindergarten)

Owlegories-The Wind – Acts 2:2-4 (2 mos – Prek)

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/KidsSeries/278416?episode=1>

The Messengers – Acts 1-9 (grades 1 -5)

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/KidsSeries/311406>

To Every Nation – Acts 9-28 (grades 1-9)

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/KidsSeries/310364?episode=1>

Playlist

God's Gift—Kelly Price - <https://youtu.be/5Ohn1gL2ohe>

Go Hard—Lecrae - https://youtu.be/Qo_QkcfOUwU

Here I Am—Free Chapel - <https://youtu.be/TTRLPAmR9eU>

The Potter's Hand—Hillsong - <https://youtu.be/a5g5qXLG7w4>

No Longer Slaves—Eddie James - <https://youtu.be/5DWsmBmrowk>

Freedom— Da Truth - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dxPxVGh8yds&list=RDdxPxVGh8yds>

Reading: (parents read for all ages)



From Persecutor to Preacher – Acts 8 & 9

https://bibleforchildren.org/PDFs/english/From_Persecutor_to_Preacher_English.pdf

Peter and the Power of Prayer - Acts 9-12

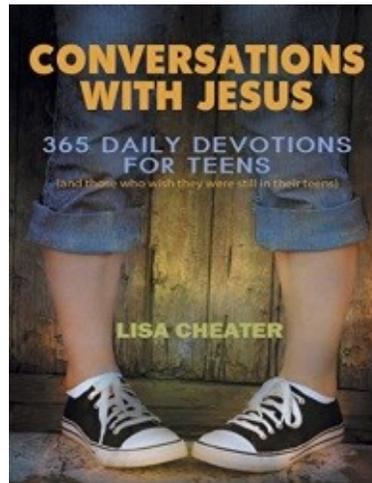
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“Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith and your purity.” (1 Timothy 4:12) Listen intently to what God is calling you to do and to be!

BGC IMMERSION YOUTH (6th – 12th Grade)

Recommended Book Selection:

God never intended for us to journey through life alone or without direction, and *Conversations with Jesus: 365 Daily Devotions for Teens* is the perfect tool for every teen who desires to know more about Jesus and what the Bible says about any life situation. Through a collection of encouraging, quick-read messages written in Jesus' first-person voice, *Conversations with Jesus* helps teens turn “religion” into a real “relationship” with **Christ.**



Right Now Media:

You are gifted by God for His Purpose?

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/illustration/205986> Equipped to Make a Difference | 2:42

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/illustration/97917> Putting Passions Into Actions | 1:06

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/illustration/105476> Radical Faith | 2:59

YouTube:

Develop your Gifts and Talents to Glorify God - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lj78IKXo-CI>
Spiritual Gifts - Part 1 | What are They and How do They Work? - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEOPgng_b5M

What Are My Spiritual Gifts? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XDb-uPUtp5M>

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