

Amana Area Fellowship



8/11/22 Gathering
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Today's Agenda

- Our vision
- Our current foundation
- Building on our foundation
 - As a local church body
 - Engaging the community
- What's next



Our Vision

“Our vision is that the Lord will use this fellowship to provide an ongoing presence of *biblical Christian community*, an *unashamed presentation of the Gospel*, and *solid Bible teaching* in the Amana area. This couples with a commitment to be faithful to God and His Son, Jesus Christ, by the power and leading of the Holy Spirit.”

Our Vision Defined - Biblical Community

- Community Groups
- Consistent meetings with the local Body

Our Vision Defined - Teaching the Word

- A consistent mechanism for people to learn more about the Word of God
- May look like preaching on Sundays, but also:
 - OTWT
 - Community Groups
 - Bringing in speakers

Our Vision Defined - Presentation of the Gospel

- Sharing the gospel with:
 - Ourselves
 - Each Other
 - Community



- *Biblical Christian community*
- *Unashamed presentation of the Gospel*
- *Solid Bible teaching*

These are the guiding principles that will inform future components of the Amana Area Fellowship.

Our Current Foundation

“It is our vision and prayer that the Lord will continue to expand this ministry. Imagine the possibilities! We desire to see people moving closer to Jesus—in new found faith and in lifelong spiritual growth.”

- Three years of community group presence in Amana!
 - Community Groups
 - Service projects

Building on the Foundation

- What it will take to expand this ministry
 - New believers
 - New groups
 - Prayer
 - Current members growing in their knowledge, faith, and boldness

What role will you play?

Building on the Foundation - Two primary initiatives



**The Local
Church**



**The Amana
Community**

Building on the Foundation - Our Local Church

- More formal gatherings of the body. You are here!
- 8/11 & 9/8
 - Goal is to share vision and goals, and get a feel for the logistics
 - Includes current group members

Building on the Foundation - Our Local Church

- Subsequent Meetings
 - Monthly, always Thursday evenings.
 - Include teaching, worship, fellowship, prayer
 - Up to each group, but no community group that week. Everyone is busy, we get it.
 - Have secured APAC for a year, and have capacity for additional meetings.

Building on the Foundation - Our Local Church

- Lead team understands the importance meeting together as a body.

Heb 10 24-25: And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Building on the Foundation - Our Local Church

- AAF started with the intent of connecting believers.
- Member feedback, you all have wanted to meet together too.

Building on the Foundation - Engaging the Community

- Individuals sharing the gospel with each other and our neighbors.
 - Saturate / B.L.E.S.S models
- Inviting others to Thursday meetings at APAC
 - We plan to advertise more broadly as well

Building on the Foundation - Engaging the Community



- Other events
 - Backyard Bible Club
 - OTWT classes
 - Service projects

What happens if it all works out?

- Planting a local church - The lead team sees this as where God is leading us, and we feel called to lead this effort.
- Will take *time*, *commitment*, and *your participation*.
- What does that mean for your relationships with current church bodies?

What's on your mind?

1. ARE WE STARTING A CHURCH IN AMANA, AND WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE?
2. WHAT ARE THE CURRENT NEEDS?
3. WHO IS GOING TO BE THE PASTOR(S)?
4. MUST I LEAVE MY CURRENT PLACE OF WORSHIP/CHURCH?
5. DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR THE LEADERSHIP TEAM?

