

# CHURUBUSCO UMC'S DISCIPLESHIP SYSTEM

	Searching	Exploring	Beginning	Growing	Maturing
<b>Worship</b>	Searching for something more. <b>Speak with a CUMC member</b>	Invited by a friend to attend worship. Attend sporadically. <b>Facebook live/website worship</b>	Begin to worship regularly; becoming more aware of God in each day. <b>Serves Communion; usher/greeter</b>	Attend regularly and begin to recognize daily moments of worship. <b>Serve as Liturgist</b>	Begin to honor and worship everyday in work and play; inviting others to worship. <b>Testimony sharing</b>
<b>Community</b>	Searching for genuine connections. <b>Speak with a CUMC member</b>	Begin to feel strangely drawn to these followers of Jesus and feel warm acceptance by them. <b>Online search, engages CUMC members and/or Pastors</b>	Move from receiving gracious hospitality to offering it to others in every day life. Who am I in relation to others? <b>Attends small group, Sunday School</b>	Begin to look for ways to love, accept, and relate to others in the same way that the church and God lovingly welcomed you. <b>Joins a Life Group</b>	Builds relationships/others & shares/them in life & community. Takes ownership of ministry. <b>Leads own small group, Stephen Ministry servant</b>
<b>Spiritual Practices</b>	Wonder about the Bible and if there are ways to experience God. <b>Speak with a CUMC member</b>	Feel drawn to the story of God's love and begin to explore scripture. Who am I in relation to God? <b>Scripture reading plan on website, offer suggestions of solid Bible translations</b>	Begin to pray and read scripture regularly; being open to God. <b>Attends Walk to Emmaus, Disciple Bible Study; crafts testimony; take Holy Communion</b>	Move to exploring spiritual disciplines; drawn closer to God on a daily basis. <b>Consistently given "at home" study material for personal study</b>	Enjoy and practice spiritual disciplines, and begin to show others how to use them to grow in faith and be drawn closer to God. <b>Serves on a Walk to Emmaus team, teaches Disciple Bible Study</b>
<b>Generosity &amp; Service</b>	Wonder if there is more to life than making money and selfish gain. <b>Speak with a CUMC member</b>	Begin to give occasionally in worship and try a service project at church. See other people making a difference in the lives of others and seek to be a part of that. <b>Stewardship sermons/studies, New Member classes</b>	Begin to give regularly of money, time, and talents; understand Christ's invitation to serve others and discover how God has gifted you to do this. <b>"How can I help?"; committee/team member; participate in ministries</b>	Try tithing my money. Exploring ways to use one's gifts, talents, and passions to build up the church. <b>Committee/team chairperson; attends mission trip</b>	Tithe and occasionally give beyond when led by God; begin to restructure life and resources to join Jesus in mission to others. Takes ministry beyond walls of the church. <b>Leads mission trip; direct evangelism; "owns" a ministry</b>
<b>Christ-Like</b>	The life and teachings of Jesus are intriguing. <b>Speak with a CUMC member</b>	Exploring the life of Jesus on my own by reading the Bible and attending my first Bible study. <b>Online resources; takes Spiritual Gift inventory</b>	Accept the call to follow Jesus and commit to the church; seek to become like Jesus and serve others. <b>Baptism, receives ongoing Discipling</b>	Begin to daily apply the teachings of Jesus in everyday life. <b>Serves as New Member mentor; attends Lay Speaker Academy</b>	Partner with God and invite others to explore the life and teachings of Jesus. <b>One on one Discipled; Explores call to FT ministry; becomes fully "missional"</b>
	Prevenient Grace		Justifying Grace		Sanctifying Grace

Red=specific ways CUMC empowers personal discipleship; more information can be found under the "resource" tab at [www.churubuscoumc.org](http://www.churubuscoumc.org)

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1) Where am I and how long have I been there?

- a. Worship
- b. Community
- c. Spiritual practices
- d. Generosity and service
- e. Christ-like

2) Where is the Spirit leading me to be in 6 months?

- a. Worship
- b. Community
- c. Spiritual practices
- d. Generosity and service
- e. Christ-like

3) This is my plan to reach these goals (including accountability):