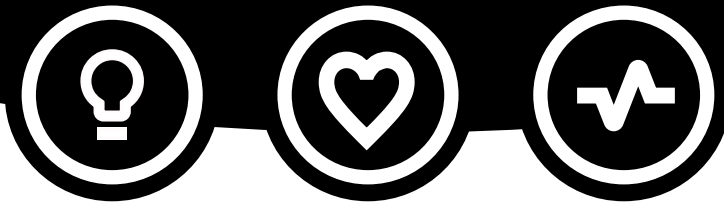


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bringing wanderers home to God's **LOVE**, to grow
in God's **LIFE**, by the **LIGHT** of God's truth

WHY?

NEARING the end of his life, the Apostle Paul penned important words to his young protégé, a Pastor named Timothy.

Under the influence of God's Spirit he writes, "For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching..."

Might we argue, that time is now.

2 TIMOTHY 4:2-5

preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. for the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and **wander** off into myths. but as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

He goes on: "They will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions and **wander** off into myths..."

Today, so many are **wandering**.

And this 'wandering' is often portrayed as a rebellious rejection of God by sinners. This is mostly true, but what if it's not the whole story?

We again read the words of Paul in Romans 1:25 as he comments on a truth about God unbelieving people have "exchanged." He goes on to state, "They exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the creator..."

In humanity's attempts to make sense of their pain and confusion, they settle for myths that numb, but can never satisfy.

This isn't a new problem, by the way... In fact, it may just be the oldest!

Genesis 3:1-7 records the story of Adam and Eve, our ancient father and mother, who "exchanged the truth" of God's love for a lie—a lie that implied He didn't have their best interest at heart. And it was in that moment they not only traded in His **love**, but also His **life**.

Because, all of our '**wandering**' often begins with an unraveling—an unraveling of who we thought God to be or who we thought He could be.



In the current cultural moment, this 'unraveling' is often identified as a form of "Deconstruction"; a modern outworking of Paul's prediction to Timothy in II Timothy 4:2-5.

And most young (and old) who've disassembled their system of faith reference a moment (whether they fully understand it as such or not) they began to not just doubt God, but first, doubt His **love** for them.

This is the work of the serpent who comes to "rob, to kill, and to destroy" (Jn. 10:10a).

It's the unraveling that leaves many **wandering**.

And wrestling with a false view of God often leads to questions, but unfortunately, many who claim to follow Jesus fail (innocently and not-so-innocently) to embrace these inquiries as He did.

Could this be why Paul explains to Timothy that his Pastoral call requires "complete patience and teaching"? (We'll revisit this later.)

Because, as King Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes 3:11, "He (God) has put eternity into man's heart", and Romans 1 and 2 tell us that everyone knows truth exists and we all desperately need the hope and assurance it brings.

But if truth can't be found in the person of Jesus, some begin to falsely believe, maybe (they imagine) it can be found in someone or something else.

JONAH 2:8

those who pay regard to vain idols
forsake their hope of steadfast **love**.

And right now, this 'unraveling' and subsequent **wandering** is currently manifested by (in concert with a host of other things) the high levels of reported anxiety among Millennials and Generation Z.

Because the opposite of **love** isn't hate—it's fear (I John 4:18).

It's an epidemic. But thankfully, there's an antidote in reach...



WHAT?

OKAY, BUT what is this 'antidote'? Paul already told us:

"Complete patience and teaching..."

That means walking or 'life-ing' alongside people with deep hurts and deep questions; pointing them to God's **love**, by the **light** of God's truth.

Because, we believe the Great Commission has a context.

MATTHEW 28:19-20

go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

In other words, we're convinced that Jesus' commission is carried out by a community.

The Scriptures call it "church"...

And it's His plan for bringing **wanderers** home!

1 TIMOTHY 3:15

if I am delayed, you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of truth.

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HOW?

WANDERHOME is unapologetically committed to pursuing young, de-churched and un-churched singles and families.

Right now, Millennials and Generation Z are hungry for truth; no longer can we allow hurt and hypocrisy stand in their way of finding it!

In a world of Christian Influencers, YouTube Preachers, and Non-Profit Ministries, Wanderhome seeks to build people, not another platform—all for His glory, not ours.

With God's word as the playbook, this is our 'how':



LIGHT

Psalm 119:105

We're committed to preparing "an answer to everyone who asks ... to give the reason for the hope" that we have with "gentleness and respect" (I Peter 3:15). This is "complete patience and teaching".

Jesus' plea in Mark 1:15 is ours too: "Repent and believe the gospel."

And since "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ" (Romans 10:17), the **light** of God's truth will be in our hearts and on our lips!



LOVE

I John 4:16, 18

We're committed to "abiding" or 'living in' God's **love**... It's not just an idea we understand or conviction we hold, it's our home.

It's where people are set free from fear (I John 4:18)—where they lay down their attempts at working for worth (Matthew 11:28) because Jesus' work was and will always be enough (Ephesians 2:8-9)!

Practically, this means that **love** is our motive (II Corinthians 5:14) and our method (I Corinthians 16:14).



LIFE

Ephesians 4:11-13

We're committed to helping others become more like Jesus by following His example of a better, fuller way of living (John 10:10, Romans 12:1-2). Because, "eternal life" (John 3:16) isn't just a 'heaven thing'.

This means a Bible-informed, Spirit-led approach to, well... Everything!



So directly conveyed, our 'end game' is young de-churched and un-churched singles and families actively growing in God's **life**.

It's "mak(ing) disciples", to use Jesus' language.

And we like to say, "disciples" (aka 'Light, Love and Lifers') are home grown.

Here's what that looks like:

STIRRING

Hebrews 10:24-25, Colossians 3:16-17

{ via Gatherings }

We're convinced that regularly "stir(ring) up one another" and "let(ing) the word of Christ" dwell in us "richly" by gathering is essential to accomplishing our mission.

But, many young de-churched and un-churched singles and families do not have context for or do not share a commitment to Sunday morning worship services.

So, informed by God's word and Paul's example therein (see I Corinthians 9:23), we seek to remove barriers to engaging with our 'target audience'. And while this never means compromising God's truth, it does mean re-evaluating our traditions.

Gatherings will be offered **weekly** on Wednesday or Thursday evenings (Colossians 2:16-17, Romans 14:4-6).

SHARING

Acts 2:44-46, James 5:16

{ via Tables }

We're convinced that regularly "break(ing) bread" and "confess(ing)" our "sins to one another" and "pray(ing) for one another" (with believers and **wanderers**) is essential to accomplishing our mission.

Tables will be offered **bi-weekly** on various weekday or weekend mornings, afternoons or evenings (Matthew 18:20).

STUDYING

Titus 2:1, II Timothy 2:15

{ via Teachings }

We're convinced that "teach(ing) what accords with sound doctrine" and "study(ing)" to show each other "approved" is essential to accomplishing our mission.

Teachings will be offered **monthly** on a pre-determined weekday or weekend evening.

SERVING

Galatians 6:9-10, I Peter 4:10, James 1:27

{ via Teams + Touch-Points }

We're convinced that "doing good", using our gifts to "serve one another" and caring for "orphans and widows" is essential to accomplishing our mission.

Teams will serve **weekly**, and Touch-Points will be offered **quarterly** on various weekday or weekend mornings, afternoons or evenings.



THIS IS WHERE YOU COME IN...

So many are **wandering!** Will you help **light** the way back?

3 WAYS:

PRAY

Visit wanderhomechurch.com/staytuned to sign-up for our email updates so you know how to pray for the work God is doing through us!

GIVE

Visit wanderhomechurch.com/give to give a one-time donation or setup a reoccurring gift; learn more on the next page...

JOIN

Send an email to wanderhomechurch@gmail.com to receive information about attending an Interest Party or joining the Launch Team.

WANDERHOME is a new church plant launching in Saint Louis, MO to reach young de-churched and un-churched singles and families.



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Because Wanderhome is committed to reaching young de-churched and un-churched singles (college students, etc.) and families, we are also seeking financial partners to invest in our community.

We believe that, as these singles and families **wander** home to God's **love**, and grow in His **life**, they will start giving in response to Him and His work!

But, many in this 'target audience' lack the proper framework for or the resources to fuel the mission at hand... At least not today.

So, would you fill in that gap by giving a monthly or one-time donation to help us build people, not another platform?

Wanderers are waiting—Now's the time!

Visit wanderhomechurch.com to get started.



