# SCOVERING



## **OUR STORY**

Wellspring began in Chris and Brenna Stull's living room after moving from Dallas where they lived and served with a church. While in Texas, the Stulls began to sense God calling them to plant a church in Phoenix.

In a step of faith, the Stulls and two other families from their Texas church moved to Phoenix; specifically, the West Valley.

At first the church was nameless and location-less. But the functions of a New Testament church were in place, and this small group began to pray, fellowship, and serve one another and their neighbors. As the church began to grow, so did clarity on the specific mission and values God had for Wellspring Church.

With prayer and financial support from friends, partner churches, and like-minded organizations all across the nation, Wellspring held its first public worship gathering in February of 2014.

The church has yet to have a permanent home, but instead has partnered with local schools for space, first at Mabel Padgett Elementary and currently at Trivium Prep, our home since November of 2016.

We don't fully know what God's future story is for Wellspring, but we're confident God is guiding us. We continue to be prayerful and faithful to what God has called us in Wellspring, the West Valley, and the world. We invite you to join God in this work!



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## **ELDERS**

Based on the Word of God, Wellspring Church believes that the Elders constitute the governing body of the church and are responsible, in conjunction with ministry staff, for its spiritual and administrative leadership. These are the Elders serving Wellspring.

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# ELDERS



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# **OUR MISSION**

Wellspring Church exists to connect people to Christ, the Wellspring of Life, and to help them walk with Him for a lifetime and beyond.

## **OUR VALUES**

### Seeking

in prayer, His Word, by faith

God desires relationship with us, and we desire to know Him and His ways. This is a journey of faith in prayer, the study and practice of His Word, and living a life of worship both individually and corporately.

# Connecting to God, to community, to family

We want to share the greatest relationship of all - knowing God by knowing Christ as Savior and Lord. This makes a person completely whole. We see the family of God as a vital community that serves together, shares life together, and experiences the fullness of God as His Church. We believe the covenant of biblical marriage and the gift of children are the greatest incubator for spiritual development and discipleship.



#### Growing

# as individual followers (disciples), as His Church, as a movement led by God

God desires us to bear much fruit. We value abiding in Him and making disciples through one-on-one mentoring, group interaction, and corporate expressions of teaching, worship, service, and mission action.

#### Giving

#### to His Church, to people, to Kingdom partners

We serve a God of abundance. We will prayerfully steward and allow God to direct our time, talents, and treasures.

#### Worship

In its most basic form, the word "worship" means ascribing worth or value to something. We worship what we adore and value as individuals. At Wellspring Church, we worship God for who He is and what he has done for us because He is so worthy of worship (Psalm 100, 1 Chronicles 16:23-31, John 4:21-24).

#### Grow

We want all believers to grow in their faith and in the "grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" so that they might "live a life worthy of the Lord and please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work" (2 Peter 3:18; Colossians 1:10). Once a person becomes a follower of Jesus, we believe disciples should be intentional about joining with God to make disciples. Disciples make disciples (Matthew 4:19, 2 Timothy 2:2).



#### Serve

Every person has a unique set of talents and skills that is indispensable to the church. The Bible challenges all believers to "serve one another humbly in love" (Galatians 5:13). In Matthew 23:11, Jesus himself declares, "The greatest among you will be your servant." God created you uniquely and has work uniquely for you to do (Ephesians 2:10).

#### Give

Psalm 24:1 says, "everything is the Lord's." Everything around us was created by God and ultimately belongs to Him. As disciples, we are to prayerfully allow God to direct our time, talents and financial resources (2 Cor. 8:7, 9:7). Giving to your church allows for ministry to be done locally and in the world.



# NOTES



