



Lindsay Lane Baptist Church

“Making disciples who **worship**, **grow**, and **serve**”

The DNA of Lindsay Lane is; “*Making Disciples that **Worship**, **Grow** and **Serve**”*. You will see a visual representation of Worship, Grow, and Serve in our “triune eternal knot” logo. — Regardless of where you are in your spiritual walk - no matter how much or how little you know about being a Christian - our desire is to provide you with the right environment to facilitate this process of making disciples who worship, grow and serve. Many churches focus on activities and busyness, but lack any real purpose or direction. We want everything we do to move us toward a simple, biblical, process for becoming a better disciple. What you will see in this literature and in our church are opportunities that will move you to a greater understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Don’t concentrate on the individual steps, but concentrate more on how the opportunities help transform you spiritually and shape you into a more mature Christian.

Look at our logo again. We want you to be the man in the middle of our triune circles. Don’t be satisfied with just coming to worship. Move from “circle to circle” and opportunity to opportunity, so that you naturally progress through the process of spiritual transformation. If you already attend “**worship**” then we want you to be encouraged to “**Grow**” through our small group studies or Life University. In Sunday School you will be challenged to venture out and “**Serve**” in one of our ministries or perhaps attend a mission trip. This is a never ending process as we all strive to be more like Jesus.

Once again our desire is to provide you with the opportunity to become a fully devoted disciple of Christ who **worships**, **grows** and **serves** an awesome God. This is the heart beat of Lindsay Lane and we pray that; if you are contemplating joining the Lindsay Lane family that you will adopt and promote this strategy. In the next few pages let’s explore what it means to **worships**, **grows** and **serves** more closely.

Associate Pastor: Assimilation,
Brother Randy



Worship

Worship is connecting with God. The closer we are to God, the more we will want to worship Him. *The Apostle Paul described worship in Romans 12: 1-2 “I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world*



but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you will prove what the will of God is.... acceptable, pleasing and perfect.” First lets look at the motivation to worship: Think about everything God has given us – eternal love, grace, the Holy Spirit, everlasting joy, everlasting peace, salvation, comfort, strength, wisdom, hope, patience, kindness, security, eternal life, forgiveness, reconciliation, not to mention our families, kids, house, cars, the air to breath and on and on. Just the knowledge of these incredible gifts should motivate us to praise and offer thanks – in other words; to WORSHIP. Second Paul describes the manner of worship: In worship we respond with our mind, emotions, will and body to all God is, says, and does. We are to: *“present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice.”* We are to give God ourselves. Our hearts, minds, hands, thoughts, attitudes – to give God total control by the *“renewing of our minds”* – by getting rid of the old things and replacing the clutter with true wisdom from God. Lastly Paul said that, True worship is God centered**. The Bible tells us not to forsake the coming together for group worship and thus we have corporate worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30am and Wednesday nights at 6:30pm. Collectively we worship by Singing and praising, preaching and doctrine, communion and baptism, stewardship, and decisions and prayer. It's worship when your heart and attitude are in the right place. It's done for God because He

deserves it – and for His pleasure alone. Worship is to Glorify and exalt God – to show our loyalty and admiration to our father. Worship is to help us enhance our relationship with God, to offer thanksgiving and to learn more about God. Without worship our relationship becomes cold, boring and barren.

As part of our worship, at the close of each service, Pastor Dusty will give an invitation. During this time if you feel lead by the Holy Spirit we invite you to walk down the aisle and express your decision to one of our pastors. Our pastors are standing at the front ready to greet you, to help you with your decision and to pray with you. During the invitation we will provide a quiet place where trained counselors can help you in your decision. Feel free to ask questions about joining or about your decision. In the counseling room you will find written information on



“**Why I Need to be Baptized**”, “**A Growth Guide for New Believers**” and a pamphlet on what it means to be a disciple who “**Worship, Grow and Serve**”. If you are a new Christian you will be given some additional information to help guide you on your way as a new believer and you will also be given tickets to the New Members Class (parts I & II). Remember your counselors are there to explain what you need to do next in order to continue on the new path that you have chosen. Please feel free to ask questions of your counselors or to call me if I can help you in anyway. (Randy at 232-0020 ext 112.) If for some reason you don’t want to walk down the aisle - but have a prayer request or a decision that you would like for your staff to know about, then please fill out the card in your bulletin or the one located in the back of the pew and place it in the offering bucket or drop it off at one of our welcome desks.

Our prayer is that no one will walk out of a Lindsay Lane service in the same condition that they were in when they arrived - worship should change us. You should honestly be able to say “*it was good to be in the house of the Lord*”. Remember that worship is just one of our triune circles. If you worship on a regular basis then it is time to move forward to become a more committed follower of Christ. It’s time to grow.

** www.gotquestions.org



New Members Class (Part I and II)

Now that we have talked about what it means to “Worship”; lets look at the New Members Class. The NMC is not part of the Worship, Grow and Serve process, but this is a good place to explain the importance of the class. As part of joining the Lindsay Lane family you will be asked to attend the **New Members Class** taught by Pastor Dusty and Brother Randy. This class is offered bi-monthly at the 8:00am Sunday School hour in room #118. (*Remember to always check the bulletin to confirm times.*) If you have been through the invitation counseling you should have received two tickets to help remind you of the next scheduled class meeting.



The reason Lindsay Lane provides the New Members Class (Part I & II) is to help you make an informed decision before joining. Pastor Dusty will facilitate Part I of the New Members Class with a brief presentation on the history of our church and how God has truly blessed Lindsay Lane. He will then talk about Lindsay Lane’s Statement of Faith, and go over the doctrinal teachings of God’s Holy Word - What We Believe. The Pastor will let you know what you can expect from your new church family and what the church expects from you. In part II of the New Members Class Brother Randy will cover such topics as “*Our Staff*”, Lindsay Lane’s purpose Statement to “*Making Disciples who **Worship, Grow, and Serve***” and what we offer to help you accomplish this. Also we will be given a pictorial directories and other valuable information. This class is for new members and lookers. It is very informative and should help answer many of your questions. If I can help please call, Brother Randy



at 232-0020 ext.112.



Sunday School

As you continued your desire to be the man in the middle of the **Worship**, **Grow** and **Serve** logo; it's time to talk about Growing. After you have joined Lindsay Lane you should receive a letter from Brother Sonny Schofield, our Minister of Education, to information as to the choices of Sunday school classes Lindsay Lane offers. These classes are at 8:00pm and 11:00pm. Sunday School (Small Group Study) is the backbone of our church. Sunday School is where you will meet new friends, **grow** in God's Word and have your needs ministered to through our Care Groups. Think of Sunday School and the class as a miniature congregation and the teacher as a miniature pastor. Just remember, the **larger** the church grows the more important **small** group studies become. You will hear the word of God taught each week in Sunday school, you will be around peers (our classes are age graded) who will check on you and lift you up in prayer, and you will meet new people from the Lindsay Lane Church family. It's hard to meet new people in the sanctuary, but our classes are designed for just that purpose. In summary, we need to attend Sunday School in order to meet friends and develop Christian relationships, to grow our faith through the study of God's word, and to receive comfort in times of need (care groups). You can find additional information about our classes at the Welcome Centers. Please give Sunday school a try. If you have not had the opportunity to enroll in a class, please do not hesitate to contact Sonny Schofield at 232-0020 ext. 114 or email at sonny@lindsaylane.org.





Life University

The Bible says *“And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the Equipping of the Saints for the work of service, to build up the Body of Christ...”* Eph 4: 11-13. If Lindsay Lane is all about making disciples who Worship, Grow and Serve; then how do we grow? One way to grow is through Life University. In Life University you will have the opportunity to take three classes in the Spring and three classes in the Fall semester. The classes are 5 weeks long and are offered on Sunday nights from 6:00pm till 7:30pm. The topics change but the content is designed to help us grow and to equip you with the tools you will need to serve and help others. Some classes will be taught more than once and some classes will be bought back year after year as needed. Please look in the bulletin or at the welcome centers for current class listings. Also feel free to contact Sonny Schofield at 232-0020 ext. 114 or email at sonny@lindsaylane.org if you have any questions.



Some of the past topics:

Spiritual Gifts, Stewardship, Foundations in Basic Theology, When Life is Hard, Raising a Modern Day Knight, Financial Peace University, What every Christian Ought to Know, Freedom in Christ, Marriage Building, How to be on Mission with God, and Witnessing Classes. Topics vary from quarter to quarter.

Sunday school and Life University are the two major ways we grow at Lindsay Lane, but there are other ways to grow. We provide *“The Word For You Today”* devotional for free and several other devotionals at cost. Also the members at Lindsay Lane attends conferences and growth seminars when available. All of these venues are available to you as “Grow” opportunities and are designed to help make us better disciples.



Ministries

Remember—the DNA of Lindsay Lane and our Purpose Statement is *Making Disciple Who Worship, Grow and Serve*. We have discussed our first two Triune Circles: **Worship** and **Grow**, so now it's time to look at **Serve**. Serve is the opportunity to take our changed heart from Worshiping a great God and add it to what we have learned from Growing in The Word and “flush it out” or put it to application. If you have attended Lindsay Lane for any length of time, then you have no doubt heard Pastor Dusty speak on the Body of Christ, the “Church”. In **Romans 12:4-6** and **1 Corinthians 12:11-31**, Paul the Apostle, compares the human body and its many parts to the church body and its many members. All parts of the body are important; the hands, the feet, the eyes, just as all members of the church are important. Every Christian is created by God for the purpose of serving “*for we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.*” (Ephesians 2:10) All members are needed, not just the deacons and the staff, but also all those who work behind the scenes: those who prepare the water for baptisms, those who change the words on our signs, work in the sound booth, our video people, those who shake our hands as we enter and hand us our bulletin each Sunday, too many to count. These are **Ministries**. This is how the church does the “*work of the church*”. As members of Lindsay Lane it is your and my responsibility to make the Body of Christ run smoothly and to belong to at least one ministry. Paul said, “*for each one has his own gifts from God,*”. We need to look for every opportunity to help other members of our body and we need to make sure we pull our load. If you are a member of this church body then you have special gifts and talents that are needed. “*Do not neglect the gift that is in you*”. (1 Timothy 4:14) Please help the church body remain healthy by looking for a place to **serve**. If I can help **please** let me know (Randy 232-0020 ext. 112). You can also go on line to find out more about our Ministries or take the Spiritual Gifts Survey at www.lindsaylane.org.





Missions

Lindsay Lane Baptist Church is dedicated to reaching people outside the Church through **Missions**. Missions is another **Serve** activity and there are many mission opportunities available. We want to invite you and encourage you to participate.

Our Missions Purpose Statement is: to “**Serve** God by reaching the World for Christ. Equip, mobilize and provide opportunities for each member to become personally involved in fulfilling the Great Commission.” The Great Commission is, “*And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”* Matthew 28:19,20

God has a place for you in one of the **four mission areas** that make up our local and foreign mission fields – Our **Jerusalem** (Athens-Limestone County); **Judea** (Alabama); **Samaria** (North America); and **End of the Earth** (Remainder of the World). *But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”* Acts 1:8

Each year hundreds of Lindsay Lane members go “On mission with God” in some way, whether it is by giving out food and love to local needy people, or by flying across the world to an international mission location to share Christ where the gospel has never been heard. Some places where God is using Lindsay Lane to make a difference: (Dulce NM, Cicero NY, Portland OR, New York NY, VT, Gulf Coast Relief, South Africa, Argentina, Ukraine, Guatemala)

Please contact **Associate Pastor, Eric Pugh** if you have an interest or questions regarding how you can be involved in some way by going “**On mission with God**” through Lindsay Lane Baptist Church mission trips or activities. 232-0020 ext. 120, eric@lindsaylane.org. Also remember to visit us on the web at www.lindsaylane.org.





Questions ?

- 1. How to Join the Church?** There are primarily three ways to join the church. **LETTER:** If you are a member of another Southern Baptist Church of like faith and order, you may transfer your membership by having us request your Letter from your former church. You must have accepted Jesus as your Lord and Savior and have been baptized by immersion. **STATEMENT:** If you have previously been a member of another denomination and for some reason your membership records are not available, and you have been scripturally baptized by immersion, not as part of salvation but as a testimony of salvation, you may come on statement. **PROFESSION OF FAITH AND BAPTISM** When you accept and receive Jesus Christ as your Personal Savior and Lord through faith, and then follow Him in believer's Baptism by Immersion you are entered as a member of Lindsay Lane. If you feel lead by the Holy Spirit to accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior, simply walk down the isle during the invitation and one of our pastors will pray with you and help guide you through your decision. Lindsay Lane Baptist Church requires prospective members to attend the New Members Class before being officially added as a member of Lindsay Lane.
- 2. Sunday School?** If you are looking for a Sunday School class you can find a listing of all our classes located in a plastic display rack at our welcome centers. Classes are at 8:00pm and 11:00pm. One of our welcome center greeters will be glad to show you to your class or phone Brother Sonny at 232-0020 ext. 114.
- 3. Sunday Nights?** On Sunday nights we have Discipleship Training which consist of Life University for our adults and AWANA for our children 8th grade and below. AWANA starts at 5:45 and Life University starts at 6:00 pm. You will find a list of the current classes and room numbers located at the Welcome Centers (display rack) or call Brother Sonny at 232-0020 ext. 114.
- 4. Wednesday Nights Worship?** On Wednesday nights Lindsay Lane has a worship service at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary and Kids Praise for our children. The Youth (students) enjoy their own service in the new Student Worship Center.
- 5. Wednesday Night / Fellowship Meal** Every other Wednesday we meet at 5:00pm in the Family Life Center for a great meal and visitation program.
- 6. Welcome Centers?** The Welcome Centers are located in the main foyers and Gathering Space contain updated information like current Sunday school classes, a list of ministries, directional maps and Equipping the Saints classes.

More Questions? Call Randy at 232-0020 ex 112 or email at randy@lindsaylane.org