

NATIONAL GATHERING 2025



Discipleship in the Small Church

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WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

If a brand new person came into your church this week and met Jesus for the first time **what would you hope was true of them 5 years from now as a result?**

WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

1 THESSALONIANS 1

“You know how we lived among you for your sake. **You became imitators of us and of the Lord**, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe...and **so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia.**”

WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

1 THESSALONIANS 2:7

“Just as a nursing mother cares for her children, so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, **we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.**”

WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

1 THESSALONIANS 2:11-12

“For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, **encouraging, comforting, and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.**”

WHAT IS
DISCIPLESHIP?

God doesn't have a "Plan B"
for growing his church.
It's us!

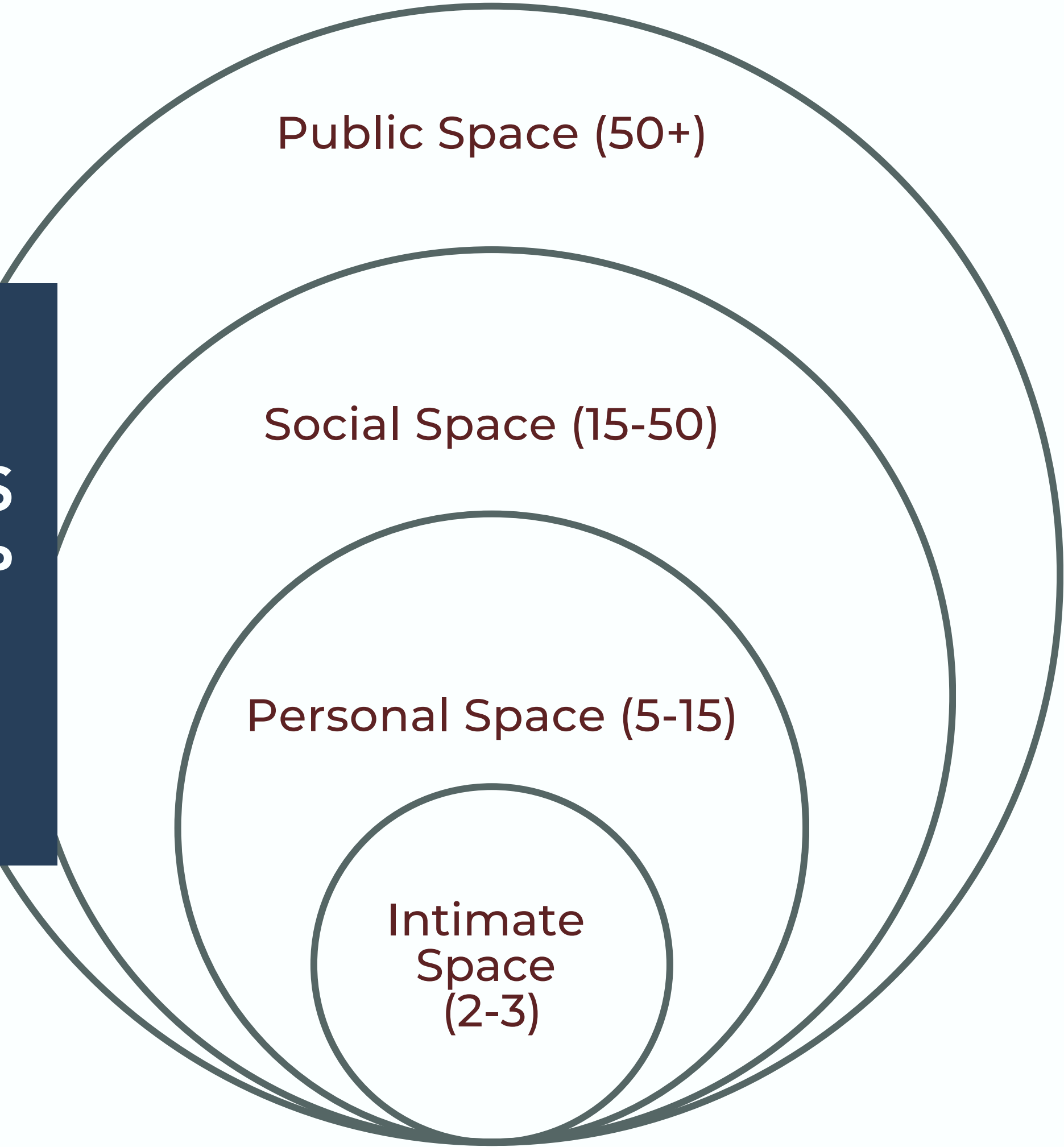
WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

Discipleship involves people who are being formed.

Therefore, it has to include the **uncomfortable & sometimes challenging** conversations required for growth.



**WHERE DOES
DISCIPLESHIP
HAPPEN?**



- **Implementing Structured Programs**
- **Cultivating Environments**
- **Engaging Organic Networks**
- **Start With the Willing**
- **Inviting Some to Come "With Me"**

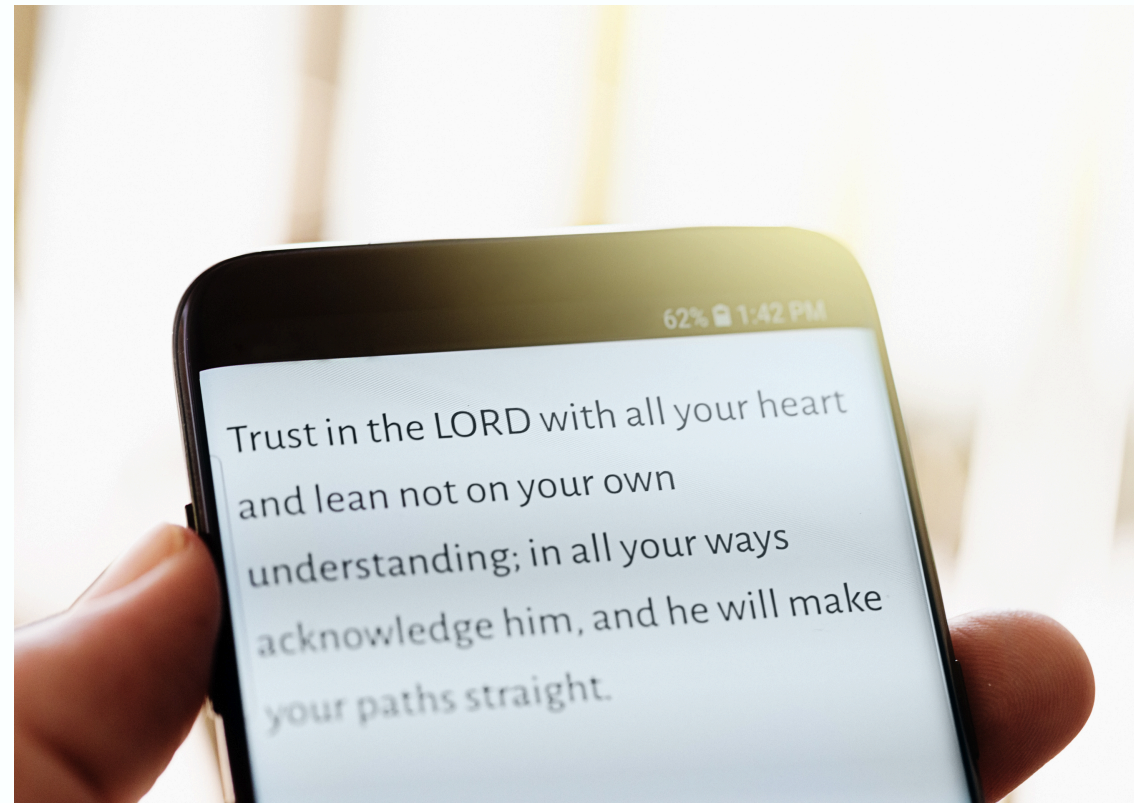
**HOW DOES
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IMPLEMENTING STRUCTURED PROGRAMS & CULTIVATING ENVIRONMENTS



emotionally
HEALTHY DISCIPLESHIP

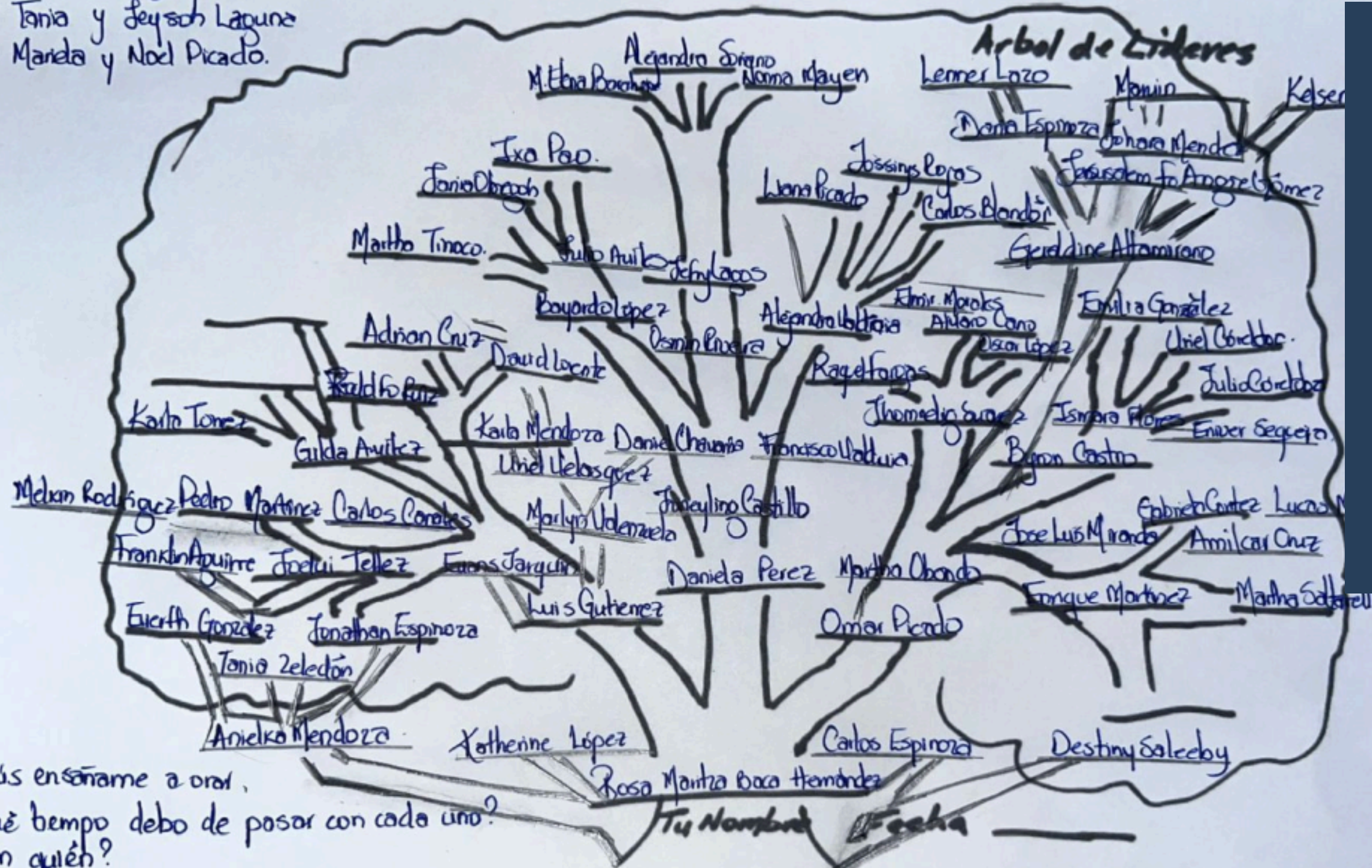
**BIBLE APPS
& COMMUNITY
READING PLANS**



**HOW DOES
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HAPPEN?**

ENGAGING ORGANIC NETWORKS

- Isabel Condego y Alex Borrillo
- Tania y Leyson Laguna
- Mariela y Noel Picado.



HOW DOES
 DISCIPLESHIP
 HAPPEN?

START WITH THE WILLING



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HOW DOES
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INVITING SOME TO "COME WITH ME"



HOW DOES
DISCIPLESHIP
HAPPEN?

How do you know if
your church is doing the
work of discipleship?
How can you measure this
kind of fruit?



What kinds of obstacles do Small Churches Face?

DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAYS

Presentations are tools that can be used as lectures and more.

LIMITED LEADERSHIP

Presentations are tools that can be used as lectures and more.

FELLOWSHIP V. DISCIPLESHIP

Presentations are tools that can be used as lectures and more.

“IMPOSTER” SYNDROME

Presentations are tools that can be used as lectures and more.

Questions?

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