

Nooma

where we seek God, ask questions, and live our faith ... in community.

Join us! Sunday, September 7th @ 11am in the Undercroft

Nooma

NOOMA is an English phonetic spelling of the Greek word *pneuma*, which is commonly translated to "spirit" or "breath". Pneumatology refers to the study of spiritual beings, particularly the interactions between humans and God.

Sunday Morning Class

Our class time is spent in a variety of ways. We welcome new friends and catch up with others. We pray. Usually, we watch a NOOMA video and discuss how we experienced the film and how it relates to our lives. We have also read books that correlate to JC's sermon series.

The NOOMA series features Rob Bell, founding pastor of Mars Hill Church in Grand Rapids, MI. Each NOOMA film is about 10 to 14 minutes of teaching related to real-life situations.

We have taken a break for the summer, and plan to reconvene on Sunday, September 7th. We hope you will come down to the Undercroft and check it out!

That first Sunday, we plan to work together to identify our vision for the coming year - for our classtime, our mission project, and our social calendar.

Mission Project

From the beginning, our group was founded on the desire to not just meet and talk about the Bible, but to live out our faith in mission.

Last fall, Mark Calhoun was touched by a passage in Ruth where Naomi and Ruth were in need, and had to glean the leftovers from the barley harvest to survive.



His vision was to create Ruth Kits - survival kits for the homeless here in Wichita. Each kit contains hygiene products, essential gift cards (Quik Trip, McDonald's, and bus passes) snacks, and a bottled water.

East Heights members outside of our class have made generous gifts to this project through cash and in-kind donations.

Our original goal was 25 kits. Since that time, we have given away more than 100 on the street and at the Drop-In Center Saturday lunches.

Social Events

Here are just a few of the social events we enjoyed during this past year:

- Summer Concert Series at Bradley Fair
- Outdoor movie night
- Dinner with JC and Charles
- Bring A Friend Luncheon
- Theology Pub
- Riverfest Fireworks
- The Source at Yia Yia's

Communication

Since not everyone can be in class every week, we keep in touch through email and our blog.

You can check it out for yourself at: <http://ehumc.typepad.com/nooma/>