



## **HOW DOES THIS TRACK HELP YOU BUILD A DISCIPLE-MAKING COMMUNITY?**

Marriage provides excellent opportunities to experience the essence of disciple making: life in community, transformation with Jesus, and engagement in Jesus' mission. If a ministry couple is not pursuing these together, it will be difficult to lead their church to become a disciple-making community. This track will help you experience deeper communion in your marriage, experience heart transformation together, and help you practice loving like Jesus.

## **TRACK DESCRIPTION**

How often do ministry couples get to invest in their own marriage relationship? This marriage cohort is designed to help ministry couples become more deeply rooted in the gospel and live as disciples of Jesus together in a way that strengthens their marriage with joy and mission. It is for ministry couples who want to grow in their marriage relationship in the safety of a facilitator-led group of other ministry couples.

## **DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES**

1. Invest regular, intentional quality time with your spouse.
2. Grow in applying the Gospel to your everyday marriage relationship.
3. Learn to honor your spouse's strengths so that you can be fruitful together.
4. Forge healthy, safe relationships with other ministry couples where you can dialog honestly about your marriage and pray for each other.
5. Be equipped to help each other grow as disciples and help couples in your ministry live as disciples of Jesus

## **FACILITATORS**

Alan and Sandra Rathbun

## **REQUIREMENTS**

Both spouses must participate in the track

## **FORMAT**

- Each couple will be responsible to read and process monthly assigned readings and complete assignments between meetings.
- To provide a safe place for sharing and growth, your cohort will not include anyone who serves in your church with you.
- Each couple will be encouraged to own and address unhealthy habits, be cheered on towards real change and then celebrate changes together as a group.

## **SCHEDULE**

January through spring - Dates and times of meetings will be determined as a group, based on availability.

## **BOOKS**

1. [Together with Family](#) - Larry and Deb Walkemeyer
2. [The 4 Habits of Joy-Filled Marriages](#) - Marcus Warner and Chris Coursey

