

One of the absolute essential aspects of being part of ABC is a commitment to your own spiritual growth and health. We believe that becoming more and more like Jesus should be the lifelong focus of every Christian (*1 John 2:6, 2 Corinthians 5:17*). To help us all progress on that journey, the Leadership Team has designed the ABC NEXT STEPS tracks (see following page).

The NEXT STEPS diagram outlines the four main areas of church life that offer a number of opportunities to deepen, strengthen, mature and exercise your Christian faith.

This is not a 'one-size-fits-all' approach – everyone at ABC is encouraged to take the time to figure out where they are at on the faith journey in each 'track' and make some decisions as to what the next step might be for their personal spiritual growth.

We freely admit that this diagram is a work in progress, and over time there will most likely need to be adjustments as the needs of our church change. However, the intent of the Spiritual Growth Tracks is simply to provide a structure for each of us to record our own spiritual growth. This is a lifelong journey, and we count it as a privilege to walk alongside you as we become more like Christ (*Philippians 3:14-14*).

Feel free to talk with anyone from the Leadership Team if you have any further questions about taking your NEXT STEP at ABC.

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OUR PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO CHRIST

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TIME (YEARS)
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CONNECTING AND BELONGING

Alpha Course
'Walking with God'
(7 Sessions)
regular attendance at either Sunday AM or Café Church
'Discovering ABC' event
attend Church Meetings
involvement in a Home Group




TEACHING AND LEARNING

'Freedom in Christ' Course
Note-taking from sermons/teaching
Home Group studies
attend ABC Camp/Bible weekend
attend Specific Event (Men's, Womens, etc...)
undertake Theological Studies




SERVING

join an ABC Service Team
involvement in at least one ministry
active Community Service (e.g., firewood, etc...)
'Becoming a Contagious Christian' Course
Missions Experience (either NZ or overseas)



SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES

regular Prayer
regular Bible Study
regular Worship
Solitude and Silence
Rest
Fasting and Lament
Celebration
Humility and Service
Giving and Offerings



MATURE CHRISTIANS > SHARING OUR FAITH AND DISCIPLING OTHERS