



Randy Hollis, Lead Pastor

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our church family! We're honored to have you participating with us in ***Growth Track***. We all look forward to getting to know YOU better...AND you getting to know US better!

Please enjoy this course and know that we care about you, your spiritual growth, and those you love. We would like to partner with you to see your family and friends enter into a wonderful relationship with Jesus.

Our church is: Bible-believing, Spirit-filled, multi-cultural, multi-generational and multi-denominational. We hold the Scriptures in highest esteem and have committed to non-judgmentally sharing the truths of the Bible with everyone, everywhere.

Join us as we endeavor to live out the priorities of our church, to:

- **Love God**
- **Love Others**
- **Serve the World**

Sincerely,

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Randy Hollis

P.S. Enjoy: Executive Pastor Al Gossan's ***Pastor's Pointers*** on the back of this letter. For your convenience, obtain ***The Believers Church App*** [📱] from your App Store. To download all materials for this course from inside the App: select "Media" on the home page, then choose ***Believers Growth Track*** logo to obtain each session's materials.

Please review and enjoy the following supplements: ***ABC's of Christianity; Bible Reading Guide.***

Pastor's Pointers

Encouraging Essentials To Empower Your Walk With God (from NIV Bible):

✦ **Be Confident In Your Salvation**

God has promised to never leave nor forsake you. Keep your faith in God's unchanging Word and not in your changing feelings. Satan will tell you what you have received is not real—but he is a liar. You are a child of God and He loves you. The Lord will protect and prosper you.

"...Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

Philippians 1:6

✦ **Develop Your Daily Devotions**

Spend quality time talking with God in prayer, AND allow Him to talk with you through His Word—and by His Spirit. Simply converse with God in a conversational manner. Your relationship with Him will grow dramatically.

"Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified." And, "Pray continually...give thanks...for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Acts 20:32; 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

✦ **Prepare To Win The Spiritual War**

Satan, our evil enemy, is not at all happy with what has happened to you. Experiencing spiritual battles is to be expected—but you can be victorious. Fight in the Spirit's might!

"...Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes...put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand..."

Ephesians 6:10-13

✦ **Share Your Faith Wisely**

Be careful not to try and force those you love to accept your new beliefs. Avoid being defensive if they misunderstand. Simply share your personal testimony with boldness and love. In time, they will see the positive changes in your life and perhaps join you!

"...Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect..."

1 Peter 3:15

✦ **Be Patient With Yourself**

You have a whole lifetime to grow in Christ. Take one step at a time and do not be frustrated if others seem to be doing better than you. When you encounter inevitable trials, ask Christian friends—and a spiritual leader—for help. Above all, trust in the Lord. We're all here for you!

"...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith."

Hebrews 12:1-2