

COMMUNITY IS THE CHURCH

HOW WE FORM COMMUNITY HUBS

Week 5 / Choosing a place, making a plan, praying

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Tonight we form hubs

Choose a starting place

Make a first-month plan

Pray for one another and our neighbors

A first choice can change as relationships grow.

A PEOPLE IN EXILE

1 Peter 2:9–12

Acts 2:42–47

How can our ordinary places hold worship, meals, and prayer?

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What the survey shows

30 responses

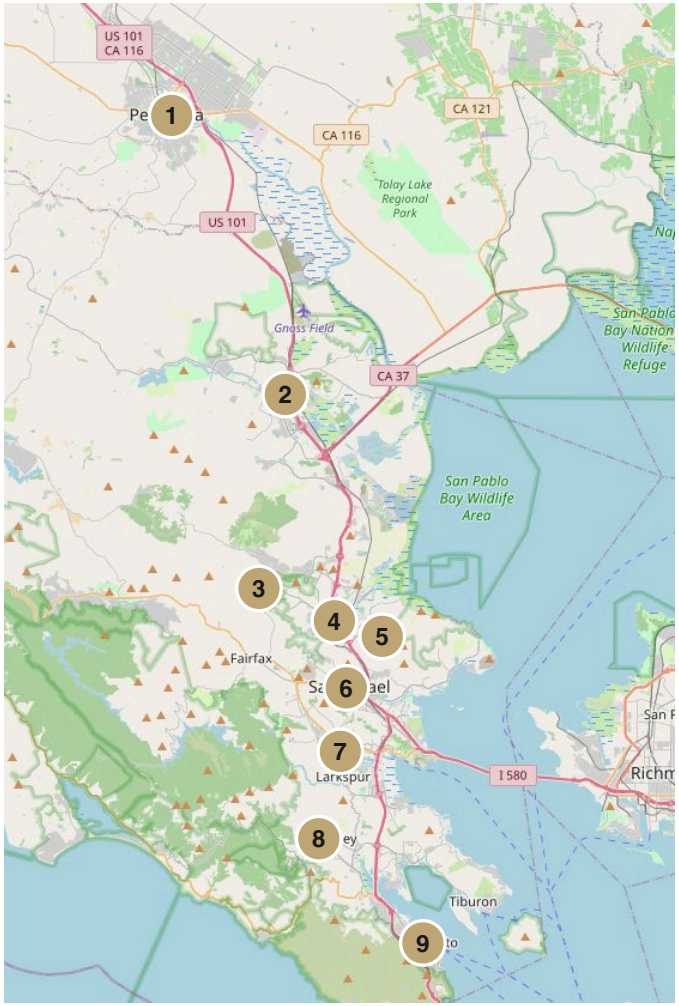
29 can meet on a weekday evening

19 usually travel 20 minutes or less

17 say a child-friendly setting or childcare could help

Selections reflect individuals. People could choose more than one option.

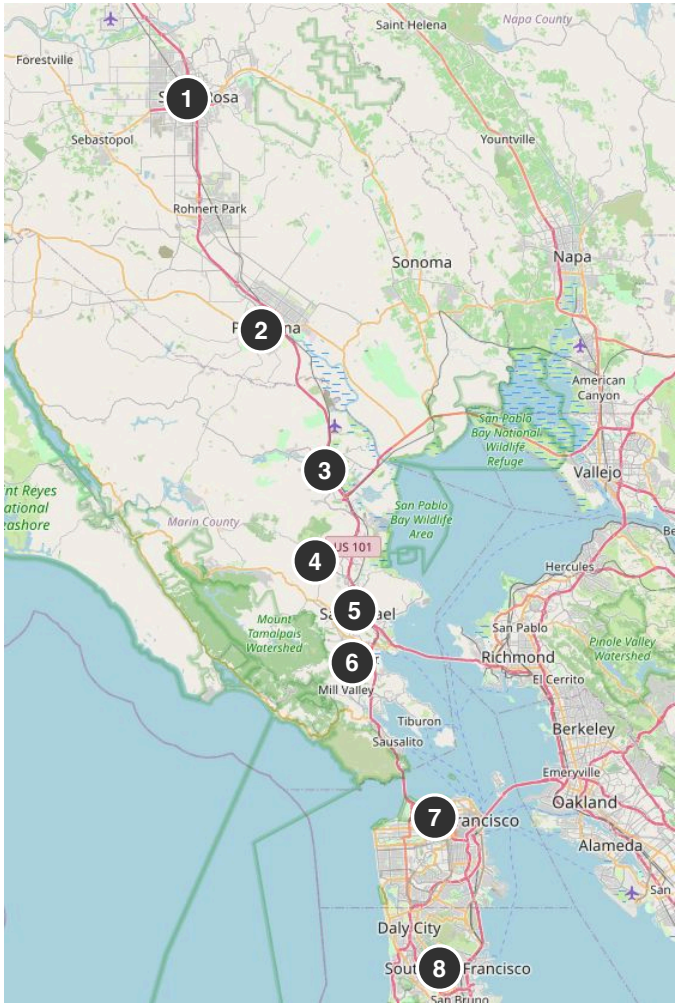
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Where we live

1	Petaluma	3
2	Novato and Pacheco Valley	4
3	Lucas Valley	2
4	Terra Linda	6
5	Santa Venetia	3
6	San Rafael and nearby	8
7	Greenbrae and Larkspur	2
8	Mill Valley area	1
9	Sausalito	1

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Where we work or attend school

1	Santa Rosa	1
2	Petaluma	1
3	Novato	2
4	Lucas Valley	1
5	San Rafael, Terra Linda, Santa Venetia	10
6	Larkspur	2
7	San Francisco	1
8	South San Francisco	1

9 home or remote 2 no fixed place or N/A

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Starting hub areas

Novato and Pacheco Valley

Petaluma

Terra Linda

Santa Venetia and Lucas Valley

San Rafael, Lincoln Hill, Smith Ranch

Greenbrae, Larkspur, South Marin

Choose by where you already live, work, and spend time. “Still discerning” is welcome.

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Provisional Hub Map

Novato / Pacheco Valley

5 respondents

Weekday evening, child-friendly

Terra Linda

7 respondents

Weekday evening, child-friendly

San Rafael / Lincoln Hill / Smith Ranch

6 respondents

Child-friendly, twice-monthly pilot

Petaluma

3 respondents

Twice-monthly pilot

Santa Venetia / Lucas Valley

5 respondents

Weekly evening, flexible participation

Greenbrae / Larkspur / South Marin

4 respondents

Weekday-evening pilot

30 suggested placements. Choose freely; group sizes and rhythms can change.

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Choose where you can show up

Where is your ordinary overlap?

Which gathering could you repeat?

Who might you move toward?

You may change tables after introductions.



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At your hub table

Your name

The place or rhythm that brought you here

One hope for community

Listen for people who may need a different meeting time or setting.

A FIRST-MONTH PLAN

First date, time, and place

A rhythm people can keep

Children, access, and travel

A convener and a way to communicate

One ordinary connection between gatherings

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A simple gathering pattern

Scripture and prayer

A meal or ordinary shared activity

Attention to neighbors

What could continue between formal gatherings?

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Share your first step

Our first date and place

Who will send the invitation

One question we still need to settle

One minute per table

PRAYER / 2 MINUTES

Name someone you want to make room for

Offer a recurring block of time to God

Remember a neighbor or place you pass often

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Pray at your hub

2 min	Give thanks for the people at this table
3 min	Pray for a sustainable rhythm and welcome for children
3 min	Pray for neighbors, hesitant people, and courage to invite

Anyone may pray aloud. Silence is welcome.

PRAYER / 3 MINUTES

Name each hub area before God

Ask for unity across the whole church

Pray that shared life points to Christ and our hope

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The first invitation

Within 48 hours, send the date, time, and place.

Follow up with people still discerning.

Revisit hub fit after the first month.

