

# Momentum: Up

## A Vision for Following Christ Together

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### Scripture:

*“When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them. I tell you the truth, that is all the reward they will ever get. But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. “When you pray, don't babble on and on as the Gentiles do. They think their prayers are answered merely by repeating their words again and again. Don't be like them, for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him! Pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be kept holy. May your Kingdom come soon. May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us today the food we need, and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us. And don't let us yield to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one. —Matthew 6:5-13*

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### Notes:

UP — Our relationship with God.

*What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us. —AW Tozer*

Who is God? What is He Like?

- Infinite
- Personal
- Unchangeable
- Eternal
- Omnipresent
- Omnipotent
- Omniscient
- Incomparable
- Merciful
- Gracious
- Patient
- Holy
- Jealous

**PRAY:** Establish a foundation and pattern of regular, collective prayer that leads to greater intimacy with God.

*We should never utter one syllable of prayer, either in public or in private, until we are definitely conscious that we have come into the presence of God and are actually praying to him. —Dr.*

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**LEARN:** Strengthen and train individuals to read and interpret Scripture in order to grow in our walk with God.

**LISTEN:** Practice and renew biblical rest, silence, and solitude in contrast to the pace of our culture.

Building Momentum at Bethel Means

- Promote and facilitate more opportunities for prayer.
- Develop habits of learning that lead to life transformation.
- Expand learning opportunities to grow in understanding and application of doctrine and Scripture.
- Facilitate a day alone with God and set aside regular days of fasting.