



Monday Morning in North Georgia

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Week of July 16 - 22

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- [Augusta District Welcome Aboard](#)

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Lectionary Scriptures

Sunday, July 22

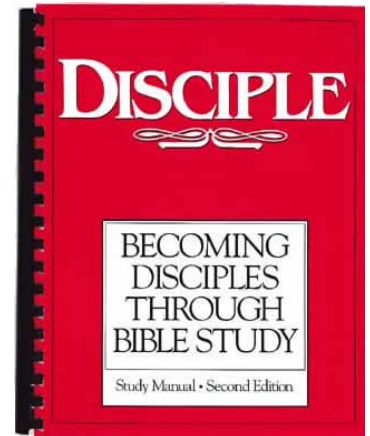
- [Amos 8:1-12](#)
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Discover DISCIPLE

In March 1986, a group of eighteen people gathered, committed to a dream of developing a Bible study for training Christian Disciples. Together they shaped the dream into a vision of what became the DISCIPLE Bible Study. The DISCIPLE program has become a primary instrument for renewed interest in reading and studying the Bible and increased commitment of millions of persons.

DISCIPLE is a program of disciplined Bible study aimed at developing strong Christian leaders based on the model of Jesus and the twelve disciples. It focuses on the disciple as learner, believer, follower, proclaimer, and servant while providing the fellowship of a small group for study, prayer, preparation, support, and servanthood.

Dr. Phil Schroeder, Grayson UMC, and Dr. Bob Winstead, Haygood UMC, are two of the national trainers for DISCIPLE. Dr. Winstead conducted a seminar for Local Pastors this past Saturday as a part of the Course of Study at Emory University. Dr. Schroeder will be one of the trainers at two one-day seminars at Hillside UMC in Woodstock this coming weekend. (See the note below for more details and registration information.)



Dr. Schroeder said, "The majority of the lay leadership at Grayson discover their gifts in a DISCIPLE study and then find ways to use them in the church." He gave one example of a team of laity who just returned from a mission trip to Africa. The effort was initiated and directed by a DISCIPLE graduate. He said,

"This is one illustration of how DISCIPLE increases the confidence of laity" and enables them to be faithful followers of Jesus. DISCIPLE assumes that the Bible is the key to renewal in the church. One participant said during the course of thirty-four weeks "my knowledge has increased, my faith and trust have deepened, my

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discipline has grown, and ability to reach out has widened.”

There are four DISCIPLE Bible Study components that thoroughly cover the Old and New Testament. *Christian Believer* is a thirty-week study that has some of the same components of DISCIPLE but rather than being primarily a Bible study it integrates the Bible with the teachings of the Church and what they mean for people today. *Jesus in the Gospels* looks at the way each Gospel writer presents events and teachings and at the picture of Jesus that emerges in each of the Gospels.

For more information on all of these studies, contact your pastor or the Conference Office of Connectional Ministries at 678-533-1399.

Jamie Jenkins

Disciple Leader Training Seminars

Two one-day Disciple Leader Training Seminars will be held at [Hillside UMC in Woodstock](#). Training for Disciple 1 and Christian Believer will be held July 20. Training for Beyond Disciple 1 (Disciple 2, 3 and 4) and Jesus and the Gospels will be held July 21. The cost per seminar is \$100 and includes training for one person, lunch and a 10 percent discount on all Disciple, Jesus in the Gospels and Christian Believer resources ordered or purchased at the seminar. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the seminar concludes at 4:30 p.m. For more information and to register, [visit the Cokesbury website](#) or call 800.251.8591.

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