

Wayfinder Spirituality.



Dallas Willard believed God is more interested in who you become, than what you do. Since the early church disciples of Jesus have discovered that spiritual practices are vital to nurture an intimate relationship with Jesus, and to participate in God's activity in our world.

We all need to be intentional in cultivating rhythms in our everyday life that provides a framework to support our growth as (what Willard would call 'apprentices' of Jesus). We believe this is vital for Wayfinder Leaders¹ in particular. As no one person is the same, there is no "one size fits all" when it comes to spiritual practices, and there are many options available for practices that help us grow. Also, we have different seasons in our life when we need different practices to explore. At the same time, there are some classic practices that have stood the test of time and are vital for our spiritual journey – the 'bread and butter' ones so to speak; like silence and solitude.

The opportunity in 2025 is for people to be exposed to 31 different practices that Jeremy and Monica Chambers (<https://www.jemochambers.com/home>) have written about in their book "*The Art of Missional Spirituality*." <https://www.jemochambers.com/the-art-of-missional-spirituality>.

Watch this video promo here: <https://youtu.be/-rvbuQ7lBdk>
(or a longer interview with Jeremy and Monica here: <https://youtu.be/Y0a2TvHsL7k>)

We will explore together 1 new practice per week, and once a month get together with others to share our experiences.

Details:

- 1st Tuesday of the month 7.30pm – 9pm NZ Time, from Tuesday 4 March, through to Tuesday 4 November.
- Online
- Individuals purchase the book and commit to practicing one discipline each week (beginning after the first gathering in March)
- No cost to join
- Each online gathering would include a community contemplative activity, some additional brief content, high level reflections, then small group sharing
- Individuals could choose to meet online with the same breakout group each month, or different people each month to meet a broader number of pilgrims.
- Groups may choose to meet face to face in their location, and connect for the first part of the evening
- We recommend that people commit to attending at least 6 of the 9 monthly gatherings
- Registrations close Friday 14th Feb 2025.

Register here: <https://forms.gle/Exu6U9xrvZaMT3Rc8>

For further information, contact info@forgeaotearoa.nz

¹ "Wayfinders go beyond the known, and journey on voyages of discovery to new horizons. Central to the wayfinding approach is seeing what is really going on - discerning the detail and seeing the whole. The wayfinder has a deep understanding of themselves, their crew, their waka and the environment." Chellie Spiller, Hoturoa Barclay-Kerr, and John Panoho, *Wayfinding Leadership: Ground-breaking Wisdom for Developing Leaders*. Huia Publishers, 19.