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Introducing Waters Edge Bible Church (WEBC)! WEBC is a new non-denominational church plant in Clermont, FL that welcomes all individuals seeking God's love and direction from the Holy Spirit through the powerful, inerrant, and sufficient Word of God. Our doors are open to every person who wants to know more about Jesus Christ and how to grow in His love and grace.

Our mission at WEBC is based on Isaiah 61:1-3 which is to be a church that proclaims the good news of Jesus Christ in order to restore lives; give hope; transform broken people to wholeness; and celebrate Jesus Christ through Christ-honoring praise and worship. In other words, WEBC exists to glorify God by equipping His people to be instruments for Biblical transformation locally and around the world. Discipleship is at the core of everything we do. In fact, our motto is "Fishing for lost and hurting souls, discipling them with the truth of God's Word". This motto is based on the following Scripture verses:

- a. Matthew 28:19-20 which says, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you". This verse tells us that we are to be fishers of men by presenting the gospel to those that are lost and discipling those who are hurting with the truth of God's Word.
- b. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 which says, "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work". This verse verifies the sufficiency of God's Word.
- c. 2 Peter 1:3 which says, "for His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence". This verse tells us that God's Word has the answer for every issue of life. In other words, there is no problem that we can face in this life that God's Word does not have the answer for.

One of the ways that we disciple people is through our Biblical counseling ministry. WEBC offers free Biblical counseling services to help individuals dealing with life's problems. So what is Biblical counseling? The Association of Certified Biblical Counselors (ACBC) defines Biblical counseling as "the personal discipleship ministry of God's people to others under the oversight of God's church, dependent upon the authority and sufficiency of God's Word through the work of the Holy Spirit. Biblical counseling seeks to reorient disordered desires, affections, and behaviors toward a God-designed anthropology in an effort to restore true worship of God and right fellowship with others. This is accomplished by speaking the truth in love and applying Scripture to the need of the moment by comforting the suffering and calling sinners to repentance thus working to make them mature as they abide in Jesus Christ". You can find out more about ACBC by visiting their website at <a href="www.biblicalcounseling.com">www.biblicalcounseling.com</a>. All of our Biblical counselors are ACBC certified or in the process of becoming certified. To find out more information about our Biblical counseling ministry, please visit our website.

This is the first in a series of articles to come. Some of the topics of upcoming articles will be on

what makes Biblical counseling Biblical, the goal of Biblical counseling, how to deal with some of life's problems such as depression, anger, fear, worry, marriage issues, etc. We pray that these articles will be a source of encouragement and hope to you.

Please check out our website for additional information at <a href="www.WatersEdgeBibleChurch.com">www.WatersEdgeBibleChurch.com</a>. We invite you to join us soon to learn more about God and His Word and how it can impact your life. God bless!