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***We're bringing people together in Rockwood to ensure that no one is invisible and that everyone has access to food, freedom, and forgiveness.***

**This is part of the PREVENTION side of our anti-trafficking efforts, dovetailing with our Integrated Community Transformation mission.**

**We envision Rockwood becoming a community where children are less vulnerable to being trafficked and adults do not want to traffick kids.**



### The Value of One

Scott is going on 6 years in his mentoring relationship with "H", who is now 14 1/2. **Want to know the truth?** All the "at-risk behaviors" that are statistically minimized when kids have a healthy adult influence in their life are ALL being practiced by "H". :( While often feeling helpless and frustrated, Scott thanks God for this young man who we pray will one day know new life in Jesus.

Also, Scott is regularly meeting with men one-on-one for encouragement, instruction, and accountability. All of these men are facing some kind of addiction issues in their life (either in relapse, in recovery, or somewhere in between).

There are a handful of young moms that Vicki is regularly investing in by praying for them, praying with them, watching their kids, spending time listening to them and offering counsel. Each one is precious and each one is investing in the next generation, raising their kids with the input of a godly and nurturing encourager (my wife Vicki).



### Small Groups

There is no New Testament example of discipleship outside the context of ***community***.

For this reason, Scott's greatest discipleship efforts are on small groups. A few current examples of small groups he is investing in:

- \* a weekly **prayer group** for Rockwood
- \* a **48-week discipleship program** called "Connecting With Jesus"
- \* our church's **Global Outreach Team**
- \* a weekly **Life Group** of 5 couples (photo above)
- \* leading a **Teaching Team** for our Sunday morning adult Bible study
- \* serving with our church's **board of elders** (currently taking them through the study "***Multiethnic Conversations***")

Additionally, starting in January, Scott will be leading 2 class groups in a course on **training Bible teachers**, leading a course called **Interconnecting Your Community** (about living and relating in a multicultural neighborhood), and teaching a **New Testament survey class**



## Large Groups

The only large group ministries we are currently engaged in:

Vicki helps with kids' Sunday school and I help with occasional preaching at our two church campuses. Although not officially on the Preaching Team, I preach at our Rockwood Campus about once a month and at our other campus once every couple of months or so. Last Sunday I "was Jonah" and preached on Jonah 3. This Sunday I will be preaching on Matthew 6:14.



## Prayer Requests

\* Thank you for praying for our **brother-in-law Mark Powell** who this past October was diagnosed with **Stage IV lung cancer that has metastasized onto his spine and adrenal glands, as well as a recurrence of the esophageal cancer** God helped him overcome years ago. If you want to contribute to the Go Fund Me account, [Click Here](#)

If you'd like to read a small snippet about Mark's character and impact, please see a recent post from family friend Josh Taylor below, [Click here](#)

\* Scott has "successfully" handed over his leadership of the Shalom Rockwood Steering Team, and is seeking to know how God wants to use him next in helping churches collaborate in Rockwood.

\* Our church is launching a **Marriage Mentoring Ministry** next month. Scott is facilitating this new and much needed ministry, and is asking you to **pray for his leadership, and impact for all the couples involved.**



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*We are so very **THANKFUL** for **YOU!** Because of **YOU**, we are able to **educate others about sex trafficking, help foster a collaborative spirit amongst churches in an at-risk community, disciple others who will disciple others, and take the Gospel to the nations!***

*Thank you for allowing God to use your prayers and financial investments to help this happen!*

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