

The background of the image is a dense, repeating pattern of stylized green leaves and small, round berries. The leaves are light green with darker green veins, and the berries are small and round, scattered among the foliage. The entire pattern is set against a solid black background. In the center of the image, the word "PSALMS" is written in a large, bold, white, sans-serif font. The letters are slightly shadowed, giving them a three-dimensional appearance as if they are floating above the pattern.

PSALMS



Psalm 121

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From where does my help come?

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who made heaven and earth.

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4 Behold, he who keeps Israel
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“As the psalmist looks at the mountains from a distance, he asks about the source of his help. Where does it come from? The question, of course, presumes that he needs help, either immediately or in the future. Even so, this psalm is not a lament, but rather a psalm of confidence. He is not worried, because he knows where to turn when he needs aid—to none other than God himself, the Creator of the cosmos.

CHAPTER 1

IN the beginning God created the
heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form,
and void; and darkness *was* upon
the face of the deep. And the spirit
of God moved upon the face of the
waters.

3 And God said: Let there be

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““ In wisdom literature, everyone is walking on a path, either the straight path that leads to life, or the twisty, dark path that leads to death. The path stands for life’s journey. Here the psalmist is certain that God will give them sure footing on the path to life. Furthermore, God is ever vigilant, a characteristic communicated by the description that he never sleeps.



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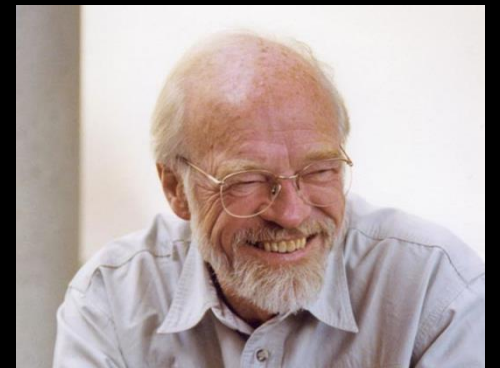
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John 10:7-10

7 So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. 8 All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. 9 I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

““The Christian life is going to God. In going to God Christians travel the same ground that everyone else walks on, breathe the same air, drink the same water, shop in the same stores, read the same newspapers, are citizens under the same governments, pay the same prices for groceries and gasoline, fear the same dangers, are subject to the same pressures, get the same distresses, are buried in the same ground.

““The difference is that each step we walk, each breath we breathe, we know we are preserved by God, we know we are accompanied by God, we know we are ruled by God; and therefore no matter what doubts we endure or what accidents we experience, the Lord will guard us from every evil, he guards our very life.





2026

VISION

**6 MONTH
UPDATE**

We Exist

To help more people in the north suburbs
start and **strengthen**
their relationship with **Jesus Christ**



HOPE NORTH LAKES

We Are

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Cry out among the scoffers

Welcoming

Authentic

Clear

Engaging



Celebrating Wins in 2026

- Hiring Steph!
- Adding Jennie + Morgan as Kids Captains
- Adding Tiny Snails (*adorable*)
- 2x Child Dedications
- 3x Baptisms!

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- 5x new covenant members
- Spring Cohorts
- CG Planning Team
- 50+ regular volunteers (!!!)
- Untold stories of connection and service





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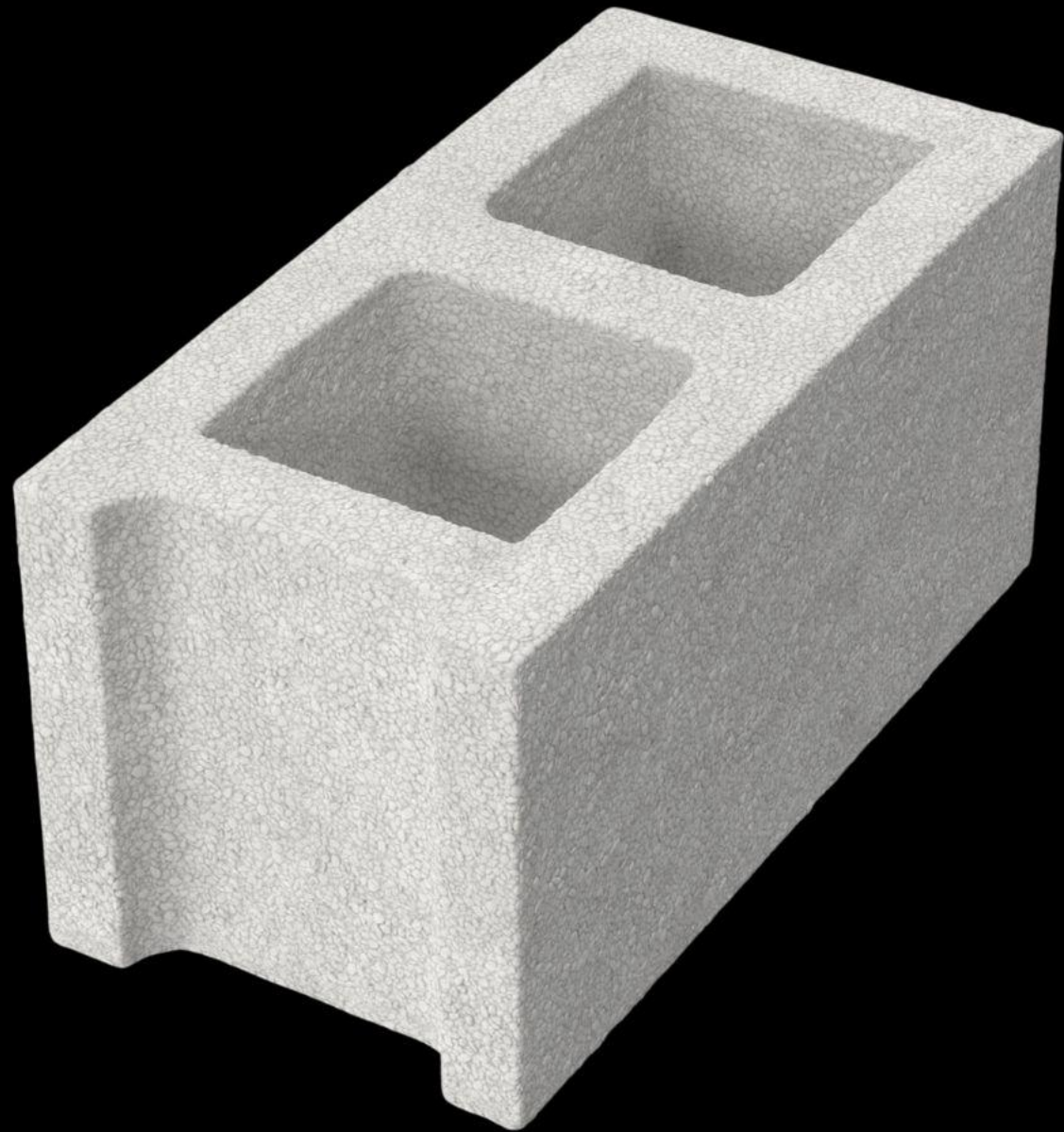
A Dependent Church

A dependent church makes dependent decisions. We trust God and take action.

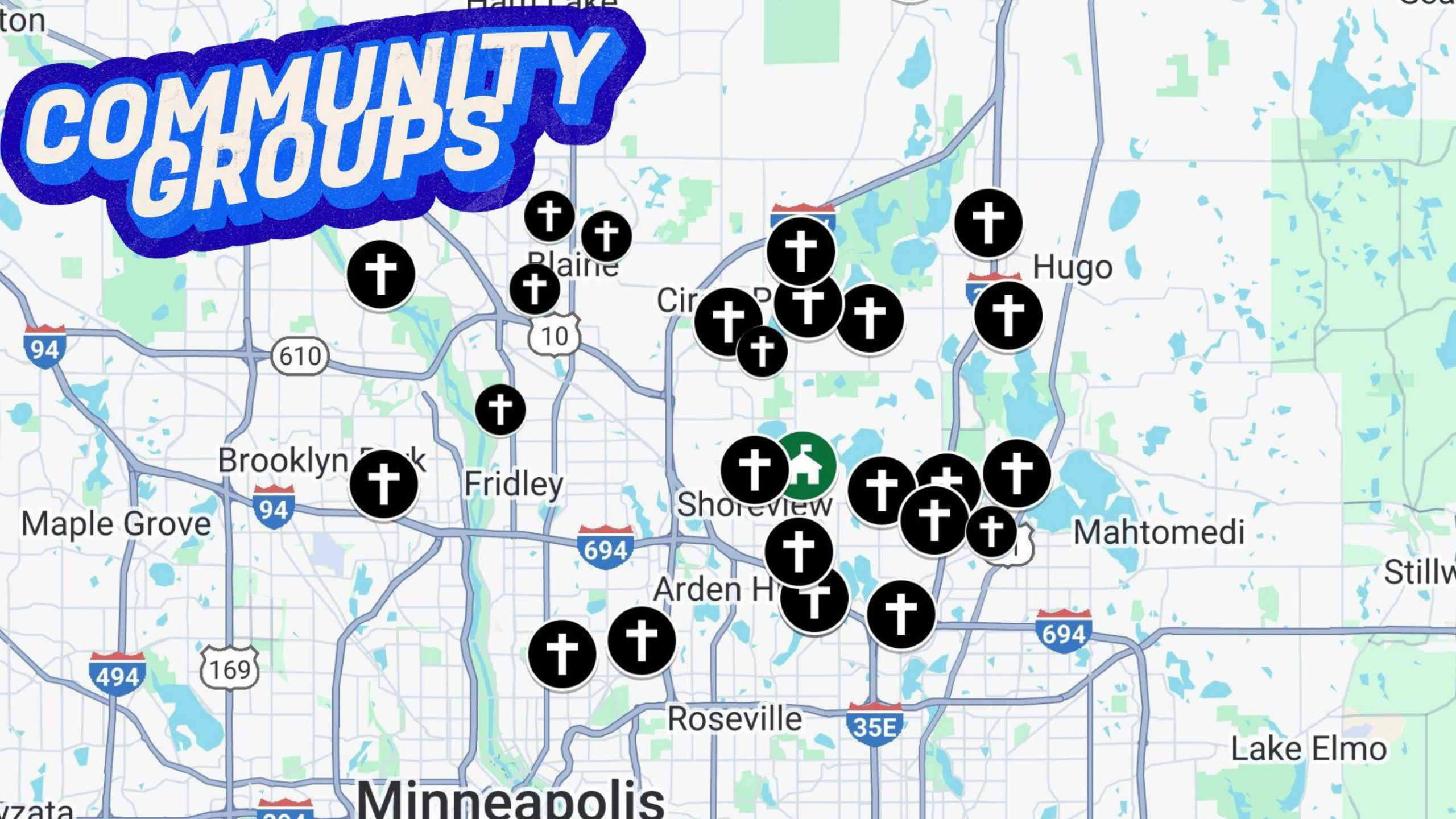
- Roots
- Risks
- Reverence



Roots



COMMUNITY GROUPS



What is a Community Group?

A weekly gathering of 8–14 adults who grow deeper in community as they study God's Word, participate in engaging discussion, help each other follow Jesus, and make a gospel impact in their communities.

Community Groups are central to how we follow Jesus together.

What to Expect

About 8 groups, 6–8 adults each, with 2 leaders + a developing leader in every group.

Groups available Sunday through Thursday.

Leaders chosen for character and equipped in facilitation, administration, and shepherding.

Pray. Plan. Participate.

Pray for the leaders being identified and the people God will transform through this ministry.

Plan to be in a group when we launch.

Participate — and bring others with you.

Risks



**WE'RE
HIRING!**

Hope Community Church (HCC)

Title: Ministry Resident

Location: North Lakes

Projects: 50% Outreach / 50% Leadership Development

Purpose: This is a 10-month residency designed to develop an outgoing, winsome, gospel-hearted leader by inviting them into the work of growing HCC's outreach ministry. The Outreach Resident will give significant time to outreach, including evangelism and mercy ministry, while being shaped through active participation in ministerial leadership rhythms — mentorship, meetings, Sunday services, and personal leadership development.



Reverence

John 10:11

11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.



Go to sleep in peace.

God is awake.

Victor Hugo

Gospel Response

Start: Are you exhausted from trying to save yourself? Look to the Lord for help.

Strengthen: We can be dependent people and a dependent church that puts down roots, takes risks, and shows reverence because of our good shepherd.