

Frequently Asked Questions

When and where does Re|Engage meet?

We meet every Wednesday night at 6:00-8:00 in the First Baptist Church of Sapulpa (200 S Elm St Sapulpa Ok).

What is the origin of Re|Engage?

The program was launched at Watermark Community Church in September 2008 and has since expanded to other churches in the DFW area and nationwide.

What does a typical night at Re|Engage "look like"?

The format of the Wednesday night is as follows:

- 6:00p-6:50pm Large Group Time (worship and testimony/teaching)
- 7:00p-8:00pm Small Group Time (different options)
 - o 1st Week: Newcomers Groups
 - \circ 2nd and 3rd Week: Open Groups
 - 4th through 16th Week Closed Group: When/if you and your spouse decide to join a small group, we'll put you in a group with 4-7 other couples and a facilitator couple, and you'll work through a Re|Engage participant's guide together.

Will I be asked a lot of personal questions at Re|Engage?

There is no personal sharing required during the large group meeting. Though we encourage you to remain active in group discussion, any personal sharing during the small group meetings is voluntary.

How do I know that what I share at Re | Engage will be kept confidential? Will it be a safe place to share?

We believe that scripture calls us to refrain from gossip and we ask all participants and facilitators to adhere to the guidelines that what is discussed in the group stays in the group. Re|Engage facilitators are encouraged to operate under the direction of God's Word in handling the information shared in the group. In order to provide a safe environment, the facilitators have committed to not share information about others outside the group except in the event of the threat of physical, emotional, or spiritual injury, then to be dealt with under the guidance of Re|Engage staff.

Can I be honest with people about what is going on in our marriage?

Our prayer is that you will feel safe to share within your small group. We find that the more authentic and transparent couples can be with others, the more they find hope and healing within their marriage.

Is Re|Engage marriage counseling?

Re|Engage is not marriage counseling and the leaders are facilitators, not counselors. They are also growing in their own marriages. Everyone in the group is on the journey to oneness in marriage. We believe that openness and honesty in a small group setting, using Biblically-based curriculum, is where God works to grow and resurrect marriages.

Do you provide child care?

Yes, we do provide childcare and children and youth activities for all ages of childgren at no cost. They can be dropped off in the preschool (ages 0-pre-k) Childen's area upstairs ($k-5^{th}$), or youth in the Brick ($6^{th} - 12^{th}$ grade) before Re|Engage large group, and must be picked up by 8:30pm.

Can I just come and visit, or do I have to commit to something?

Until you join a closed group, there is no commitment necessary. Your first night you will join us at 6:00pm for a large group time of praise and worship and a teaching or testimony, and then you will go to the newcomers group. The newcomers group is a great place for you to hear more about the heart and history behind Re|Engage, and give you a chance to ask any questions that you might have.

How much time each week outside of the meeting is required to be part of Re|Engage?

Completion of the curriculum will take approximately 15-20 minutes each week. The time required will vary, but it is designed for minimal time commitment.

What commitment do I have to make?

Once you join a closed group, working through the Re|Engage curriculum will require a 16 week commitment. This is the time in which the group is working through the curriculum together.

I don't know if I'll have a marriage by the end of the month. Is Re|Engage a good place for us?

Absolutely! There are many couples who have attended, or are attending, who are separated or divorced. While the outcome is based on the work each individual is willing to do to save their marriage, the platform provides a safe place to focus on what a healthy marriage should look like, and it provides some tools to help grow toward this goal.

We don't like spending time with each other anymore. Will we have to interact together?

While you will be in a small group together, each of you will be sharing about what you learn personally each week. However, there are some exercises that may require you to interact with each other throughout the process.

I have no hope anymore. Is this a place where we can find hope?

Our prayer is that you will find hope that can come through allowing God to do a mighty work within your marriage.

My marriage is doing well. Can we benefit by attending Re|Engage?

Whether your marriage needs to be reignited, or is in need of a complete resurrection, Re|Engage is a safe place for couples to reconnect.

We have only been married for 6 months. Can we still come?

Absolutely! In fact, participating in Re|Engage at this stage in your marriage is a great idea! The program will provide a strong foundation for your marriage.

We are thinking about getting married (or are engaged). Is this ministry for us?

We suggest you elect to focus on marriage preparation through pre-marital counseling. If you would like more information on pre-marital counseling please contact Jamie Browning at <u>Jamie@fbcsapulpa.com</u> to set up an appointment with our Sr. Pastor