

Our Beliefs

We Believe In

- The one true God who lives eternally in three persons – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- The love, grace and sovereignty of God in creating, sustaining, ruling, redeeming and judging the world.
- The divine inspiration and supreme authority of the Old and New Testament Scriptures which are the written Word of God – fully trustworthy for faith and conduct.
- The dignity of all people, made male and female in God’s image to love, be holy and care for creation, yet corrupted by sin, which incurs divine wrath and judgement.
- The incarnation of God’s eternal Son, the Lord Jesus Christ – born of the virgin Mary; truly divine and truly human, yet without sin.
- The atoning sacrifice of Christ on the cross; dying in our place, paying the price of sin and defeating evil, so reconciling us with God.
- The bodily resurrection of Christ, the first fruits of our resurrection; his ascension to the Father, and his reign and meditation as the only Saviour of the world.
- The justification of sinners solely by the grace of God through faith in Christ.
- The ministry of God the Holy Spirit, who leads us to repentance, unites us with Christ through new birth, empowers our discipleship and enables our witness.
- The church, the body of Christ both local and universal, the priesthood of all believers – given life by the Spirit and endowed with the Spirit’s gifts to worship God and proclaim the gospel, promoting justice and love.
- The personal and visible return of Jesus Christ to fulfill the purposes of God, who will raise all people to judgement, bring eternal life to the redeemed and eternal condemnation to the lost, and establish a new heaven and new earth.

-from The Evangelical Alliance

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Location

The Encounter – Antigua Campus is located in San Bartolome Becerra, Antigua, Guatemala.

Organization

Encounter: Equipping in Ministry is a non-profit faith-based organization registered in Texas, USA.

Encounter: Equipping in Ministry – Antigua is overseen by the Encounter Discernment Fellowship, a group of men and women who desire to see this ministry be a healthy, Christ-centered community dedicated to serving ministry workers and their families.

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Who We Are

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Our Purpose

First, we aim to be a healthy, maturing, Christ-centered community characterized by love.

The calling of this group is to grow in Christian maturity, individually and collectively, that the world may witness a community that loves God and others well. We cannot invite people into a healing, intimate relationships with God and others if we are not experiencing those things for ourselves. So, our first calling is to simply seek to be people of love pursuing what it means to “love the Lord your God with all your heart soul, mind, and strength and love our neighbor as ourselves.”



Our Activities

Then we invite ministry workers and their families to experience growth in and through healthy, life-giving relationships with God and others that the church as a whole may be strengthened.

Board members, leaders, and staff carefully discern together in which ways the Holy Spirit is leading us as a community to bring invitations and opportunities to ministry workers and their families. These activities may include:

- **Forming an Educational Academy (for the children of ministry workers)**
- **Hosting Retreats**
- **Facilitating Classes and Support Groups**
- **Creating Publications**
- **Connecting Ministry Workers to Support Resources**
- **Intercessory Prayer**

“We want to simplify our lives around being people of love, who can invite other ministry workers and their families to join us in knowing and experiencing the transformative love of Christ and his church.”



Our Values

We seek to align our ministry activities and life as a community with these core values.

We believe in...

- Intentionally engaging in a slower pace of life to provide abundant time and space for cultivating a deep, abiding relationship with Jesus Christ in which we are able to fully receive the love of God and give His love to others out of the overflow.
- Being committed to our own maturing, development, and skill acquisition process as individuals and a community understanding that who we are and what we are becoming is what we bring to others.
- Prioritizing time and energy towards maintaining healthy relationships with spouses, children, other close friends and family members, and co-workers knowing that loving our neighbor as ourselves begins with our very closest circles of relationships – If we have not learned to love well in these contexts, we will not know how to love the world well.