

FAFSSA

Friends And Families
Facing Same-Sex Attraction

FAFSSA, a ministry of New Covenant Bible Church, is a gathering of families and friends of loved ones who experience same-sex attraction or gender identity issues. FAFSSA provides fellowship, resources, encouragement and perspective on how best to love and care for those loved ones, while trusting God to bring wholeness to us all.

What do we believe about same-sex attraction?

The leadership of FAFSSA holds to New Covenant's doctrinal statement, and with regard to this issue we also believe the following:

- God loves those having same-sex attraction every bit as much as He loves anyone else.
- We will not define people by their attractions but rather by their relationship to God.
- We all are attracted to harmful things which must be surrendered to Jesus to find wholeness.
- It's not a sin for us to have inappropriate attractions, but acting on such attractions is sinful.
- Same-sex sexual activity falls short of God's design for sex, just as extramarital sexual activity does.
- We cannot fix anyone other than ourselves.

Our pursuit is twofold:

1. To learn to love God more by trusting Him with our loved ones
2. To learn to love others more with God's kind of love.

What are the meetings like?

Meetings are open, and confidentiality will be respected. The meeting format typically consists of sharing, book and resource reviews, discussion, and prayer.

FAFSSA currently meets twice each month on Sunday afternoons.

How do I join the group?

Contact Pastor Mark Forstrom at mark.forstrom@ncbc.church for information on how to connect to the group.

"When our son came out as gay, we were devastated and drowning in grief. We felt we had to deal with it behind closed doors and had no one to turn to. I prayed for a support group and through God's sweet intervention, we were led to FAFSSA at New Covenant. This incredibly welcoming group has been a literal lifesaver."



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