

Greetings,

I wanted to let you know about a new church in Murfreesboro. Open Table Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will officially open its doors on Sunday, November 1. Services at the new church will be held on Sunday evenings at 1130 Haley Road, Murfreesboro - beginning with a time for fellowship at 5:30 pm and worship from 6:00 pm to 7 pm. I am especially proud to say that the members of Open Table Christian Church have invited me to serve as pastor of the new congregation.

Each of the members of Open Table Christian Church feels a call to be part of a congregation in the Murfreesboro area that is dedicated to social justice issues such as racial reconciliation, relief of poverty and homelessness, and being open and affirming to all persons regardless of sexual orientation. Open Table Christian Church also aspires to be a Christian congregation where various theological and spiritual perspectives are respected and expressed. Located in a city of over 120,000 people, Open Table Christian Church is a unique worship and fellowship opportunity for those seeking an inclusive and welcoming church community.

The history of Open Table Christian Church began in November 2011 when a small group of seekers started meeting regularly in members' homes for bi-weekly Bible study sessions and fellowship activities. After four years of regular study, the group decided in 2015 to transform its Bible studies into a small church that would include additional elements such as corporate worship, spiritual disciplines, and community outreach.

In August of 2015, the newly formed congregation was officially welcomed into the denomination of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Worship will be held on Sunday evenings so that the group members who are associated with other local congregations may continue those relationships. Others in the group who are currently unassociated with any congregation will view Open Table Christian Church as their primary church home. We hope you will come worship with us!

Peace and blessings,

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