C3
COMMUNITY OF THREE

Three believers. One empty *chair.*

Rooted in the Trinity. Released for Mission. Reaching for the Million.

THE GOAL

We are reaching for the million. C3 is one of the roads that gets us there.

IN ONE SENTENCE

Three believers, reflecting the Trinity, living in intentional friendship that opens toward someone who doesn't yet know Jesus, with one chair always left empty for them.

No building. No budget. No title.

THE THREE MARKS

Trinitarian Equality

Different by design, equal by grace. Leadership rotates by gift, not title.

Gifted Interdependence

All have gifts. None has all.

Missional Friendship

The circle stays open. L.I.F.E.: Living In Friendship that Evangelizes.

THE EMPTY CHAIR

A name, not a symbol: a neighbor, coworker, or family member outside the faith. We pray for them, eat with them, and love them without agenda.

Say it aloud:

"We are gathered for ___, and for the one not yet here."

HOW TO START

STEP 1
Pray for seven days

"Father, who have you already placed in my life for this?"

STEP 2
Look for your three

Faithful, available, teachable people near you.

STEP 3
Share a meal

No agenda.
Notice if conversation flows.

STEP 4
Begin the six-week launch

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6
Table & Testimony	Grace Mapping	Name the Fourth	Invite to the Table	Listen to the Word	Covenant & Commission

Turn over: what a gathering looks like

WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE

About 90 minutes. Always food. Always one next *step.*

In a home

1. Set a fourth place, left empty
2. Eat together; no agenda at first
3. Say the empty-chair line aloud
4. Share story, gifts, or a passage
5. Pray for the fourth by name
6. Choose one next step with the fourth
7. Set the next date

In a café

1. Same spot, same day each week
2. Choose a table with a spare seat
3. Put the fourth's name on a card there
4. Order and share food
5. Share story or gifts, quietly
6. Pray briefly for the fourth
7. Agree on a next step and date

Online

1. Open a dedicated group thread
2. Put the fourth's name at the top
3. Show up daily: a prayer or encouragement
4. Weekly video call; eat together
5. Speak the fourth's name aloud
6. Share, read, and pray together
7. Reply within 24 hours

THE C3 COVENANT

✓ **Show up consistently.**
Hebrews 10:25

✓ **Tell the truth within 24 hours.**
Ephesians 4:25

✓ **Lead by gift, follow by trust.**
1 Corinthians 12:21

✓ **Keep the table open.**
Luke 14:23

✓ **Multiply when God says.**
2 Timothy 2:2

MULTIPLICATION

Typically after 12 to 18 months with a fourth, a new C3 forms with its own empty chair. Release, don't retain.

Healthy dependence on God and one another is the design; unhealthy dependence is what multiplication guards against.

WALKING WITH YOU

- **Register**
  Tell us your C3 has begun.
- **30 days**
  A check-in from your Asia Area contact.
- **90 days**
  Share what God is doing.

READY TO BEGIN?

Register your C3
Once your three are formed. c3.fmwm.asia/join

Follow along in My C3
The six weeks on your phone. c3.fmwm.asia/my

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We are reaching for the million. One chair at a time.

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