# Bethel LEADERS NETWORK

connect. encourage. empower.

information packet

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### welcome from bill

Years ago Randy Clark and I were spending some time together, catching up on recent events in our lives. He shared an unusual word of correction he had received from Heidi Baker in the middle of a powerful prayer meeting (She is not known for this kind of word). It was very specific, cutting to the heart in a very profound way. The word basically addressed the fact that he avoided the responsibilities of being a spiritual father. When he shared that word with me, I came under the same conviction, as though Heidi had aimed that word directly at me. I was guilty of the same thing. I repented on the spot and have been attempting to return to God's purpose and design ever since. It is in our hearts to learn how to father a generation of revivalists who are coming alive under our teaching.

God has recently refreshed this mandate to our Bethel family, speaking through Kris Vallotton, for us to create an opportunity for leaders to belong. We believe we're in the midst of the greatest revival in history and that the vehicle that will carry revival further is family.

It is with much anticipation that I write to you to announce the Bethel Leaders Network (BLN). The Bethel Leaders Network will aim to provide a place for leaders from every sphere of society to belong to the Bethel family and be empowered to bring heaven where God has uniquely placed them.

Our desire has never been to build a big organization; rather we are convinced that we are called to build big people. BLN is a place where global mothers and fathers can be at home and be released to raise up the next generation of mothers and fathers to take the Kingdom further.

You have been designed as a resting place for the Spirit of God. You were created to change every environment that you walk into. If you have come alive to this drumbeat of heaven, I want to invite you to consider joining us at Bethel Leaders Network.



Massive blessings!
Bill Johnson
Bethel Church Senior Leader

### a word from kris

A few years ago I heard a TED talk by Dr. Brené Brown entitled, The Power of Vulnerability. In her talk she shared the fact that we are all neurobiologically wired for connection (relationship). She said that the greatest core need of every person in the world is to feel like they belong. Later, I heard a powerful quote by Robin Williams who said, "I used to think that the worst thing in life was to end up alone. It's not. The worst thing in life is to end up with people who make you feel alone." Yikes!

A year later I woke up in the middle of the night with a decree from the Lord. He said, "Create a place where leaders can belong." I came to our team and shared the word with them. Through my tears I said, "We must find a way to create a culture where leaders feel at home; welcomed, honored, celebrated, and known." Everyone was immediately on board. We realized that we needed to build a completely new structure to accommodate this divine mandate. After many more months of dreaming, the Bethel Leaders Network (BLN) was born. The Bethel Leaders Network is emerging as an apostolic family of leaders who are equipping the generations to transform culture and shape history.

Therefore, we are inviting leaders who:

- Carry the DNA of Bethel and express it in every sphere of influence.
- Are committed to living from our family core values.
- Are passionate about cultivating this divine connection.
- Are serious about seeing the global expansion of God's kingdom.

We invite you to prayerfully consider joining the Bethel Leaders Network. We would love for you to get connected more deeply with Bethel and join us in shaping history!



Much grace, Kris Vallotton Bethel Church Senior Associate Leader

### meet dave & taff

In 2009 Taff and I sold everything, packed up our little family and moved from Australia to Bethel Church in Redding. We were leaders much like yourself. We had heard a new drumbeat of "Heaven on Earth" and we had come alive with hope that nothing is impossible. After attending and leading in BSSM for seven years, our lives and our children's lives were forever changed. We are humbled and honored to serve Bethel, and the many leaders from around the world, as Directors of Bethel Leaders Network.

As we have been building a place for people to belong to Bethel, the Lord gave me a series of dreams. The meaning of these dreams was direct and very clear; the Lord is giving birth to a new generation of revivalists through Bill Johnson and the Bethel movement and we needed to create a place for them to belong. Through these dreams the Lord revealed that BLN is about raising up sons and daughters into fathers and mothers across the world. As Bill has said, "We are in the midst of the greatest revival in history and the vehicle that will carry revival further is family."

It's our dream that this BLN family will raise up the next generation of pioneers, cause reformation in the church and release freedom into the spheres of society. We

believe they will create apostolic places and spaces that will empower every believer in their uniqueness and divine calling, to bring Heaven to earth and take the Kingdom further.



Bless you abundantly!
Dave & Taff Harvey
Bethel Leaders Network Co-Directors

### What is bln?

Bethel Leaders Network (BLN) is a place for leaders to belong to the Bethel family. The goal is simple: to connect, encourage, and empower one another to live out Kingdom culture and see Heaven transform our homes, spheres and regions.

BLN provides the opportunity for intentional relationship and practical resourcing from Bethel and our global family of BLN leaders. Our goal is that every leader is valued, effectively resourced and empowered to build the kingdom.

We want to empower global mothers and fathers to raise up the next generation and provide a place for emerging leaders to be transformed and equipped.

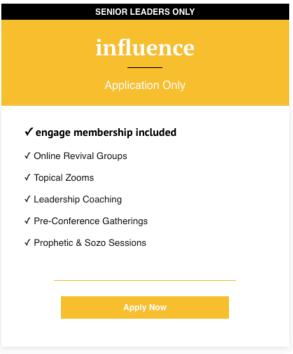
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There are three ways to participate in BLN: Connect, Engage and Influence. We invite you to explore further how you can join the movement.

# leader memberships

# CONNECT Free to Join ✓ Courses Available for Purchase ✓ Pay Per Course ✓ Regional Gatherings ✓ BLN Newsletter ✓ BLN Blog w/ Free Leadership Tools





## connect

Anyone who desires to learn from the Bethel Family, grow in kingdom culture, and see heaven transform their world will benefit from a BLN Connect membership, as our Online Courses are a great starting place for leaders to join the network.

Joining is simple. Visit our website at bethel.com/bln and navigate to "Courses" to begin your journey with BLN.

We offer a variety of resources and benefits in BLN Connect memberships.

### benefits of connect:

- BLN Newsletter
- BLN Blog (Free teachings & resources)
- Regional Gatherings
- BLN Online Courses (Pay per view)

BLN Online Courses teach foundational elements of leadership in the kingdom, provide practical tools for growing in intimacy with God, and will help you activate revival through testimonies, video teachings, podcasts, PDF resources and more. The courses we offer are:

### **Introduction to Kingdom Culture**

You're wired to encounter God's presence and carry revival. If you're hungry for transformation, longing to see revival ignited, and ready to discover your purpose, enroll in this powerful course to learn and apply the four pillars of a Presence-focused culture and thirteen core values that have helped create and sustain Bethel revival

culture for more than 20 years. This course is foundational to who we are at Bethel and is available in <u>Spanish</u> and <u>Russian!</u>

### **Becoming a Kingdom Leader**

Be the leader you were created to be and discover your purpose. This Bethel online course will equip you to lead others into the Presence, shape organizations with Kingdom culture, inspire and empower people to transform their world. Learn from Bethel's leadership culture and raise up revivalists who will carry the Kingdom into every sphere of influence! This course is designed as a follow-up to Introduction to Kingdom Culture and is available in Spanish and Russian!

### **Thriving Church Leadership**

This course is an infusion of Bethel's leadership DNA and will equip you and anyone serving on your church staff to become naturally supernatural in their leadership. Join Steve Backlund and his team as you explore 28 core values from his book, Help, I'm a Pastor. You'll receive life-changing wisdom and impartation for common scenarios every church leader faces, such as criticism, people leaving, staff challenges, financial uncertainties, etc. Dive into four themes for thriving in church leadership: beliefs, relationships, structure, and becoming a naturally supernatural leader.

# engage

Leaders who *Engage* with Bethel Leaders Network interact with us in a deeper way. As a part of the Engage community, leaders are transformed by powerful encounters, equipped through incredible leadership resources, and connect with other leaders around the world.

Bethel Leaders Network created Engage out of a desire to help leaders build on a foundation of kingdom culture, engage with the Bethel Family, and be encouraged and empowered to see heaven transform their lives, families, and spheres.

Engage is offered as a monthly subscription and affords leaders many benefits. To join Engage, visit <u>bethel.com/engage</u>.

### benefits of engage:

 Connect Membership benefits included, PLUS:

### **Leadership Library**

Full access to our exclusive collection of leadership resources, videos, PDFs and more from Bethel for you to access on the go. Curated by leaders, for leaders.

### **Private Facebook Group for Leaders**

Connect with other BLN Engage leaders in a private Facebook group for live encounters, topical sessions with Bethel leaders, inspiration and encouragement.

### **Regional Gatherings**

Gather with other BLN leaders in your

region for worship, encounter, and equipping. Led by BLN Influence leaders and BLN staff.

### **Full Access to Online Courses**

Engage members receive Full Access to all BLN Online mighty Networks Courses, including: Introduction to Kingdom Culture, Becoming a Kingdom Leader, and Thriving Church Leadership and all the Masterclass recordings.

### **Connection Calls**

Jump on a monthly Zoom call with other Engage leaders for equipping, activation in the prophetic, testimonies, and sharing in small breakout groups.

### **Free Teachings & Resources**

Be encouraged and inspired through our blog, monthly newsletter, the Leadership Minute and more.

Engage with us. Connect with the Bethel Family, leaders like you, and be equipped and activated through Presence-focused resources.

# influence

(spouse included)

Leaders who *Influence* with Bethel Leaders Network are deeply connected with other senior leaders in an online revival group and have personal access to a Bethel leader. As part of the Influence community, leaders have an accelerated opportunity to catalyze revival in their churches, cities and regions with the support and community of other Influence leaders.

BLN Influence is offered as an annual membership and is open to senior leaders of churches and ministry organizations. To apply to Influence, visit <a href="mailto:bethel.com/">bethel.com/</a> bln.

### benefits of influence:

 Engage Membership benefits included, PLUS:

### **Online Revival Group**

Led by a Bethel leader who will provide a space for you to build relationships with other BLN influence leaders on a monthly basis. Groups are organized by region and/or time zone.

### Personal Connection with a Bethel Leader

Opportunity for a 30 minute, monthly, one-on-one connection with your Bethel revival group leader.

### **Connection with Influencers**

Jump on our Zoom call video sessions with world class leaders who are advancing the Kingdom in incredible ways! You'll be able to interact with, ask questions, and glean wisdom from these leaders in a smaller group setting.

### **Personal Leadership Coaching**

Three (3) online coaching sessions each year offered by our Bethel Coaching Team of more than 50 years combined experience. They'll help you build a healthy and thriving church family, develop people, create healthy teams, and grow your church.

### **Influence Gatherings**

In-person events held the day before the Spring Leaders Advance and Fall Leaders Conference in Redding, CA for you to connect, be encouraged, and enjoy fellowship with other BLN members. We will worship, break into small groups, share a meal together, and hear from one of Bethel's Senior Leaders.

### **Private Members Platform**

Connect with other Influence members and join monthly live sessions with Bill Johnson and Kris Vallotton and full access to all courses and Masterclass and many other Bethel leaders.

### And More...

- Bethel TV Online available per request
- Online Encounters
- New Release Books by Bill & Kris
- BLN Influence Member Logo
- Strategic Connection with Bethel Speakers for your Church/Ministry
- Personal Sozo (2 per year, online)
- Personal Prophetic Session (online or on campus)
- Additional On-Campus Benefits

# **membership** *expectations*

We have three levels of commitment we require from BLN influence members:

- 1. Personal
- 2. Relational
- 3. Financial

### personal commitment

### BLN Influence leaders must be committed to:

- Carrying the DNA of Bethel
- Living from our family core values
- Pursuing revival through the personal, regional and global expansion of God's kingdom through His manifest presence!
- Living as a revivalist; a believer who is focused and passionate, willing to pay any price to live in community, purity and power because they are loved by God, whose manifest presence transforms lives and cultures.
- Actively advancing the kingdom in your sphere of influence by contributing kingdom minded solutions.
- Strengthening and supporting all generations of leaders:
  - Sons and daughters (young leaders)
  - Fathers and mothers (current leaders)
  - Grandfathers and grandmothers
- Building revival culture in your ministry, church or organization and have completed Introduction to Kingdom Culture online course within first year of BLN membership.

### Must agree to the following:

- 1. Bethel Statement of Faith
- 2. Four Cornerstones of Revival
- 3. 13 Core Values
- 4. BLN Membership Commitment
- 5. BLN Financial Policies

### I. Bethel Statement of Faith

WE BELIEVE...

There is only one true God who is the eternal King, Creator and Redeemer of all that is. He is perfectly holy, just, loving and truthful. He has revealed Himself to be eternally self-existent one being in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

The Bible to be the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God.

Humankind was created in the image of God to know and enjoy Him yet we willfully rejected the Lordship and glory of God for which we were intended. Because of this, sickness, death and judgment entered the world and now creation experiences the effects and consequences of sin.

The Lord Jesus Christ, the one and only Son of God, was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin, Mary, and is God's Anointed One, empowered by the Holy Spirit to inaugurate God's Kingdom on earth. He was crucified for our sins, died, was buried, resurrected and ascended into heaven, and is now alive today, in the presence of God the Father and in His people. He is "true God" and "true man."

We are saved by God's grace, through faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ. Anyone can be restored to fellowship with God through repenting, believing and receiving Jesus as their Savior and Lord. The Holy Spirit convicts, regenerates, justifies, sanctifies and adopts us as we enter the Kingdom of God as His sons and daughters.

In the ongoing sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life and minister supernaturally. The baptism of the Holy Spirit according to Acts 1:4-8 and 2:4 is poured out on believers that they might have God's power to be His witnesses.

The victorious redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides freedom from the power of the enemy – sin, lies, sickness and torment.

The Church consists of all who put their faith in Jesus Christ. He gave his church the ordinances of Baptism and Communion. The Church exists to carry on the ministry of Jesus Christ and further advance His kingdom by undoing the works of the enemy, preaching and living the good news of God's love, discipling the nations, baptizing and teaching them to love and obey God.

In the ever-increasing government of God and in the Blessed Hope, which is the glorious visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ to rule and reign with His overcoming bride – the church.

Heaven and hell are real places. There will be a resurrection of the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting death.

### II. Four Cornerstones of Revival

### God is Good

God is good, so we're required to dream big. Our faith will only explore areas where we believe God is good. Jesus represented the Father in everything He did, we are called to do the same.

### Nothing is Impossible

God describes Himself as nothing is impossible. He created us to be in His image, giving us the same attribute when we believe. It is in our DNA to pursue impossibilities and see them bow to Jesus. A huge part of our life is taking risk in his love.

### **Everything was Purchased at Calvary**

Everything we'll ever need was dealt with at the cross and made available to us. The Christian life is learning how to access everything He purchased for us. We believe He provided an answer before there was a problem so we owe Him trust when things look confusing or bad.

### We are Significant

We owe every person respect and honor because everyone is made in the image of God. While each of us is significant, we don't discover this until we discover our own insignificance. God gives graces and gifts to every person to love and bring heaven to earth.

### III. 13 Core Values

### **God Is Good**

God describes Himself as gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. God is good and, by nature, in a good mood. Psalm 103:8–13; Acts 14:16-17; James 1:17–18; 2 Peter 3:9; Matthew 7:11; Galatians 5:22–23; Psalm 119:68; Zephaniah 3:17; Psalm 104; Exodus 34:5–7; Acts 17:22-31

The message, ministry, and sacrifice of Jesus perfectly reveal the nature of God as a good Father. John 3:16–17; Hebrews 1:2–3; John 14:6–7; Isaiah 9:6; Colossians 1:19, 2:9; John 1:1, 18; 8:1–11. 19

God is a good Father; we can trust Him regardless of our circumstances. Romans 8:28–32; Hebrews 11:6; Nahum 1:7; James 1:12–18; Matthew 10:29–31; Acts 16:23–26

Enemies come to steal and kill, but Jesus came to destroy demonic works and give us abundant life. John 10:10–11; 1 John 3:8; Acts 10:38; 1 Peter 5:8–10; Ephesians 6:12; Mark 5:1–19 God's goodness is extravagant. As we remember

and retell what He has done through our testimonies, faith is created that He is able and eager to do it again. Romans 10:15-17; Hebrews 13:7-8; Acts 10:34-48; Revelation 19:10; Psalm 44:1-5, 119:11; Mark 5:18-21; Deuteronomy 6:17-24; I Chronicles 16:23–36; Joshua 4:1–9

### **Salvation Creates Joyful Identity**

Jesus has won absolute victory! We are forgiven and freed from the enemy's power of sin, sickness, lies, and torment. Now we live in the power of righteousness, healing, truth, and joy! Romans 8:1–4; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 6:4; Galatians 2:20; Hebrews 2:14–15; Galatians 5:22–24; 1 Corinthians 15:56–57; Revelation 1:12–18

We are adopted as royalty into God's family and commanded to help others be reconciled with the Father and come home. Romans 8:14–17; John 1:12; 2 Corinthians 5:18–21; 1 Peter 2:9; 1 John 3:1; Luke 15:11–32

We are simultaneously joyful servants, trusted friends, and beloved children of our Lord. John 15:12–15; Psalm 16:11; Hebrews 1:9, 12:2; Matthew 25:23; Psalm 100:2; Galatians 1:10; Matthew 23:11–12; John 1:12; 1 John 3:1; Matthew 25:14–30

We are new creations, not merely sinners saved by grace but saints who have been given His righteousness so we can partner with our Father God. 2 Corinthians 5:17–21; 1 Corinthians 1:30; Romans 3:21–26, 8:1, 30; Galatians 2:19–20; Acts 26

### **Responsive to Grace**

We joyfully experience the astounding, undeserved love of God and His ongoing power to transform us. His transforming love and power are inseparable from one another. John 3:16–17; Ephesians 1:4–5, 2:8–10; Romans 5:6–11; Mark 5:1–20

God scandalously loves His lost creation and extends grace to us, empowering believers to love Him and others at a higher standard than the law. Romans 5:7–8; 2 Corinthians 5:14–18; Romans 6:11–14; Matthew 5:21–28; Romans 8:2–4; Acts 9:1–22, 26:1–23

Deeply experiencing grace teaches us about righteousness, which empowers us to overcome sin and failure. The Father's love keeps us from focusing on sin or hiding in shame if we fail. Ephesians 3:14–21; 2 Corinthians 3:17–18; Titus 2:11–13; Colossians 3:1–5; Acts 2:14–41

God's grace breaks the mentality that says "I am a powerless victim of circumstances" and creates a new identity that declares, "In Christ, I am a victorious overcomer, no matter the situation." John 16:33; 1 John 4:4; Romans 8:31–32, 35–39; 1 Corinthians 15:57; 2 Corinthians 2:14; Deuteronomy 28:13; Jeremiah 29:11

### **Focused on His Presence**

Our first ministry is to God. As we behold Him, we are moved to worship with joyous passion. Psalm 27:4; Luke 10:39–42; James 4:8; Psalm 1:1–3, 23:6, 26:8; John 4:23; Psalm 22:3

God delights in us and He has always desired to be with us. We focus on His presence because we have discovered that He is focused on us. Ephesians 1:4–5; Zephaniah 3:17; Jeremiah 31:3; Psalm 65:4; 1 John 3:1; Revelation 3:20; 1 John 4:19

Purposefully cultivating a hunger for God's manifest presence and an openness to experiencing the Holy Spirit deepens our friendship with God and our awareness that we carry His presence for the sake of the world. Psalm 73:28, 107:9; John 1:16; Matthew 5:6; Isaiah 55:1–2; 1 Corinthians 3:16

As a lifestyle, we practice recognizing God's presence while we minister to others, attempting

to say what He is saying and do what He is doing. John 5:19–20, 30, 12:49–50, 14:10; 1 John 4:16–17

### **Creating Healthy Family**

We are adopted into God's family, so we intentionally create family and community wherever we go. Ephesians 1:5, 2:19; Matthew 12:48–50; Galatians 6:10; Romans 8:15–16; 1 Peter 2:17; Acts 2:41–47

We think like healthy family members and do what's best for the whole environment, mutually submitting to one another in love and not being selfish. Philippians 2:3; Romans 12:9–21; Ephesians 5:21; Galatians 5:13; 1 Corinthians 13; Ruth 1:16–17

In covenant relationships, we purposely grow our capacity to trust and be trusted as we empower and confront one another in order to live out who we truly are. Matthew 18:15; Luke 17:3–4; Ephesians 4:15–16; 1 Corinthians 4:14–21; 1 Thessalonians 5:14; 1 Samuel 20

We are loyal, which is demonstrated most radically when people fail. We do not punish and abandon those who fail in order to save face or show we hate sin, but instead we commit to helping them be restored. Galatians 6:1; Matthew 18:15; John 8:1–11; Psalm 141:5; John 21

### **God's Word Transforms**

The goal of Scripture is to bring us into a relationship with the Author and transform us into His likeness. John 5:39–40; 2 Timothy 3:15–17; Matthew 4:4; 2 Corinthians 3:15–18; James 1:22–25; Ephesians 5:25–27; Psalm 119:11; Luke 24:13–35

As God encounters us in His Word, faith is released into our lives. Studying God's truth empowers us to believe in who He is, who we are, and how He wants us to live. Romans 10:17; 1 Thessalonians

2:13; John 17:17; Matthew 7:24–28; Colossians 3:15–17; John 8:31–32; Psalm 119:105; Romans 15:4; 1 Corinthians 10:1–13; Acts 8:26–40

The primary lens through which we interpret the Bible is the person, life, and redemptive work of Jesus, because He is the most complete revelation of who God is and what God cares about. John 5:37–47; Luke 24:25–32; John 1:14, 14:9–11; Colossians 1:15–20, 2:9; Hebrews 1:1–3; 2 Peter 1:16–21

The Bible is the source of infallible truth and authority by which we judge all insight and prophetic revelation. 2 Timothy 3:15–17; Matthew 22:29; John 8:31–32; 2 Thessalonians 2:13–15; 2 Peter 1:16–21; Proverbs 30:5–6; Psalm 119:160; Matthew 4:1–11

### **God is Still Speaking**

God wants to communicate with His family. It is important for us to actively listen for His voice and experience the variety of ways He communicates. John 10:26–28, 16:13; Matthew 4:4; Isaiah 50:4–5; 1 John 2:27; Acts 2:17; Numbers 11:29; 1 Kings 19:9–13

Scripture calls us to earnestly desire the gift of prophecy, which is to speak on God's behalf to strengthen, encourage, and comfort people. We desire to say what the Father is saying to help people grow in their identity and discover their God-given purpose and value. 1 Corinthians 14:1–4; John 12:49; 1 Timothy 4:14–16; Acts 2:17; 1 Corinthians 14:24–25; Acts 13:1–3

Prophecy is not one-way communication. It involves two people hearing from God: the one who gives the prophetic word and the one who receives it. With the Holy Spirit, Scripture and our community, we judge the spirit and accuracy of the words we give and receive. Holding on to what is good, we let go of what is not. 1 Thessalonians 5:19–22; 1 Corinthians 14:29; Luke 9:55;

Acts 21:10-22:24, 27:10, 22-24

The Bible is the ultimate, authoritative revelation unlike any other; nothing will be added to it. Therefore, prophesy should never contradict properly interpreted Scripture. Galatians 1:6–9; 2 Timothy 3:16–17; 2 Thessalonians 2:13–15; Matthew 7:15–20; John 8:31–32; 2 Peter 1:16–21

### **Jesus Empowers Supernatural Ministry**

Jesus promised signs would follow believers and they would do even greater works than He did. John 14:12–14; Acts 2:17–18; Luke 9:1–2; Mark 16:15–18; Acts 5:12–16

We owe the world an opportunity to experience the power of God and an invitation to salvation because Jesus sent us into the world, just as the Father sent Him, with the power of the Holy Spirit. John 20:21–23; 1 Corinthians 2:4–5; John 17:18; 1 Thessalonians 1:5; Matthew 28:18–19, 5:14–16; Luke 10:1–9

Nothing is impossible with God. Therefore, no person or situation is beyond His ability to bring complete restoration. Matthew 17:20; Mark 10:25–27; John 15:7; 1 Corinthians 6:9–11; Psalm 103:1–7; Luke 1:34–37

We believe all can be healed because Jesus demonstrated the Father's will in healing all the sick and demonized He encountered. Matthew 4:23, 12:15, 14:14, 24–33; Luke 9:11; Acts 10:38; Psalm 103:3–4; Acts 3:1–10; James 2:14–18; Mark 10:46–52; Matthew 9:27–38

### His Kingdom is Advancing

God is big and victorious. The devil is small and defeated. We are in a battle, but the outcome is not in doubt! 1 John 4:4; Colossians 2:13–15; 1 John 2:13, 5:4–5; Romans 8:31–39; John 12:31; Acts 4:23–31; 1 John 3:8; Hebrews 2:14–15; John 16:33: Mark 5:1–13

We believe and live the prayer, "Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Therefore, we partner with the King in natural and supernatural ways to establish mercy, justice, and righteousness until He comes. Matthew 6:9–10, 10:7–8; Isaiah 9:7, 33:5–6; Micah 6:8; Matthew 10:42, 25:40; John 14:12; James 1:27; Matthew 12:22–29

As believers, we are all in full-time ministry as God advances His Kingdom into every area of society. Our work and efforts both inside and outside the church are sacred and valuable acts of worship to God. 1 Peter 2:9; Romans 12:1; Matthew 5:13–16; Colossians 3:23–24; Daniel 6:3; Proverbs 22:29; Ephesians 6:5–9; Matthew 25:31–46

Although we will experience resistance and conflict as the Kingdom advances, we expect the culture to be changed as people come to salvation and take their places in God's purpose for the world. John 15:19–21, 16:33; Colossians 1:13–14; 2 Corinthians 4:8–11, 12:10; Nehemiah 2:1–10; Matthew 5:13–16; Acts 19:11–41

### Free and Responsible

Christ died to set us free from sin, death, fear, and shame in order to establish us in freedom so we can live and love as God's glorious children. Romans 8:1–2, 15–21; Galatians 5:1; Romans 6:4, 14–22; 2 Corinthians 3:17, 5:17; 1 John 4:17–18; Luke 19:1–10

Freedom is very personal, but it is not self-centered. We have been given freedom so we may present ourselves to the Lord as a willing sacrifice, surrendered and ready to serve. Galatians 5:13–14; Romans 12:1–2, 14:7–9, 15:1–7; Matthew 4:1–11

Freedom and responsibility are inseparable. We experience true freedom as we cooperate with

the Holy Spirit to produce the fruit of self-control and use our freedom to bless others. Galatians 5:13–25; 1 Corinthians 9:19; 2 Peter 1:5–9; 1 Corinthians 8:9–13; 1 Peter 1:13–16; John 13:12–17 We are responsible for partnering with the Holy Spirit to continually develop the foundation of our character so our character can support our growing influence and anointing. 2 Peter 1:5–9; Titus 2:11–12; Ephesians 4:1; Colossians 1:10; 1 Corinthians 6:18–20; Luke 9:54–56

### **Honor Affirms Value**

Honor recognizes and affirms that every person is valuable and powerful. We are made in God's image; He died to restore us to relationship with Him, therefore we are significant. Genesis 1:26–28; Ephesians 4:23–24; Psalm 139:13–16; Romans 12:10; 1 Corinthians 12:14–26; 1 Peter 2:17; Matthew 26:6–13

Honor recognizes and celebrates the best in people, in spite of our differences. We respond to people based on their God-given identity and the honor in our hearts, not their behavior or self-definition. 1 Corinthians 12:14–26; 2 Corinthians 5:16–17; James 2:1–5; Philippians 2:3; 1 Samuel 24:1–10

Honor is demonstrated through consistent respect in word and action toward those we lead, follow, love, and disagree with. While honor avoids controlling others, it also lovingly confronts, limits, and disciplines when necessary. 1 Corinthians 13:1–7; Leviticus 19:15–18; Galatians 6:1–2; Ephesians 4:14–15; Romans 2:4; Matthew 18:15; Hebrews 12:11–14; 2 Timothy 3:16–17; Luke 3:10–14

The level of honor we have for a person directly affects our ability to receive from them. Matthew 10:40–42; Philippians 2:1–4; 1 Corinthians 4:14–20; 2 Kings 4:8–37

### **Generous Like My Father**

God is extravagantly generous and our generosity is a response and reflection of Him. He is a good Father who gives good gifts to His children. James 1:17; Psalm 103:1–5; John 3:16; Ephesians 1:3; 2 Corinthians 8:9, 9:8; Acts 14:17; Matthew 7:7–11; Luke 15:11–32

The thread of God's generosity weaves through His creation, covenants, Israel's economics, the gospel and the Kingdom as He consistently models that it is more blessed to give than to receive. Psalm 65:9–13; Deuteronomy 28:1–14, 7:9; 2 Corinthians 8:9; Matthew 20:28; Ephesians 1:3, 7–8; James 1:5; Acts 20:35; Mark 12:41–43

God has blessed us in every way so that we can be generous in every way to advance the gospel. Joyfully giving our time, affection, talents and money, attracts God's attention, draws heaven's blessing, produces transformation, and enables Him to trust us with the true riches of the Kingdom. 2 Corinthians 9:6–15; Acts 10:3–6; Malachi 3:10–12; Deuteronomy 8:18; Acts 2:43–47; Matthew 10:7–8; Luke 16:10–13; Acts 4:32–37

Generosity confronts our poverty mentality, changing the way we interact with the world. No longer anxious because we mistakenly believe provision is scarce, we are confident that God multiplies resources and is eager to rescue and prosper people. 2 Corinthians 9:6–15; Philippians 4:19; Ephesians 3:20–21; 1 King 17:10–16; 2 Kings 4:1–7; 3 John 2; Matthew 6:25–34; Jeremiah 29:11; Deuteronomy 28:11–13; Exodus 3:8; Matthew 14:13–21

Generosity releases joy, blessing, and favor into our lives. As we give, it will be given to us, pressed down, shaken together, and running over! Luke 6:38; Isaiah 58:6–12; Proverbs 11:25; Acts 2:43–47; Philippians 4:17–19; 1 Timothy 6:17–19; Luke 18:29–30, 19:1–10

### Hope in a Glorious Church

The church is the bride of Christ and she will successfully fulfill His great commission to make disciples of all nations, which means the nations will experience transformation. Ephesians 5:25–27; Matthew 28:16–20; Acts 1:8; Psalm 2:8; Revelation 11:15; Isaiah 54:3–5, 60:1–5; Acts 2

We work to leave a legacy and an inheritance for future generations, just as previous generations have done for us. While anticipating Christ's glorious return, we simply do not know when He will come, which should inspire us to have a long-term earthly vision. Proverbs 13:22; Acts 2:39; 2 Timothy 2:1–2; Titus 2:11–14; James 5:7–8; Isaiah 9:6–7; Matthew 25:1–29; Hebrews 11:4–30

We are not looking to escape the world but to see Christ's victory manifested in individuals and nations, even in the face of resistance and conflict. John 17:15–18; Luke 10:2–3; Matthew 28:18–19; Hebrews 12:1–3; John 16:33; Revelation 11:15; Acts 13:13–52

The Church is called to overcome in all circumstances: in times of suffering and persecution, but also in times of prosperity and great influence. John 16:33; Revelation 3:5, 21; Philippians 4:11–13; Isaiah 41:10; 1 John 4:4, 5:4; Romans 8:37–39; 1 Chronicles 28:6–10; 1 Kings 5:3–5; Acts 4:13–37

### IV. BLN Influence Leader Commitment

As a BLN influence leader, I agree and commit myself to the following standards:

I have been saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ and boast in Him, not myself (Eph. 2:4-10). I have been baptized in water, signifying conversion and new life in God (Matt. 28:19; Col. 2:12).

I take responsibility as a disciple of Jesus to continue to enjoy my own close, obedient, loving friendship with the Lord. (John 15:1-17).

My life evidences a genuine experience of regeneration:

- the new birth (John 1:12-13; 3:3-8; I Peter 1:18-25)
- a commitment to holiness, wholeness and our Bethel Leaders Network family (Romans 6:4, 8:1-4, 13:13-14; Eph. 4:17-32, 5:1-2,15; I John 1:6-7).

I affirm the sacredness of sexuality and marriage between a man and a woman.

In marriage, I will be completely faithful to my spouse emotionally and physically (Heb. 13:4).

I believe Scripture teaches that sex is a blessing to be rightly experienced only within heterosexual marriage. Therefore, I do not participate in sex outside of marriage, pornography, living as husband and wife when not married, and/or homosexuality (Matt. 15:19; Rom. 13:13; I Cor. 6:9-20).

I will follow the wisdom of the Lord by refraining from intoxication with alcohol and/or drugs (Rom. 13:13; Gal. 5:19-21).

Should I stumble in any of these areas, I will get up again with the help of the Holy Spirit and my church family.

If offended, I will not abandon my commitment but will speak the truth in love and work through conflict with gentleness, grace and forgiveness (Eph. 4:1-3, 25).

I will be thankful and live humbly and honorably in all my relationships with both Christians and non-Christians, so as to be a faithful ambassador of Christ's Kingdom (Col. 3:15; Eph. 4:1-6; II Cor. 5:20).

I will contribute to the support of Bethel Leaders Network by faithfully fulfilling my annual financial contribution on time.

I will make a commitment to attend bi-monthly online revival group (small group).

I will be accountable to keep these commitments and welcome correction, if need be.

If the Lord seems to be transitioning me to a different leadership network or covering, I will not simply leave BLN, but agree to process this decision with my BLN revival group leader.

### V. BLN Financial Policies

### **Delinquent Accounts**

Monthly payments are considered delinquent 72 hours after the payment deadline. If delinquent accounts are not brought current within 30 days of payment deadline, membership will become inactive until payment has been made in full.

### **Refund Policy**

**Application Fee** - The application fee is non-transferrable and non-refundable.

**After 60 Days** – BLN Influence is a 6-month minimum time commitment. It can take up to 14 days to cancel your BLN influence membership.

### relational commitment

### BLN Influence leaders must be committed to:

Position yourself as a son or daughter to receive and grow from Bethel Leaders and other BLN leaders in your revival group and wider BLN network.

Make a commitment to attend monthly online revival group (small group).

Seek to raise up leaders in other regions and spheres.

### financial commitment

We believe that in a healthy family, everyone contributes. As a part of the Bethel family, BLN Leaders will contribute not just their gifts and talents, but also financially. As we build this network together, we are convinced we will raise up leaders that will disciple nations and spheres. We believe BLN will be a place that raises finances to invest in building the Kingdom!

### **BLN Influence Application Fee**

\$200 (Non-Refundable)

### **Influence Membership**

For senior leader and spouse.

**Monthly Contribution:** Monthly payments only accepted via recurring credit card payments.

Monthly Payment \$225 x 12

Total = \$2,**7**00

The 1st monthly payment must be paid 2 weeks prior to the start date of your BLN Influence membership. Payment due dates will vary depending on your start date.

### **Scholarships**

We understand not everyone around the world is in the same economic situation. We want to make sure that those who desire to belong to Bethel have the opportunity. Each year we have a limited number of scholarships available. If you are in circumstances which require a scholarship please let us know in your application. We ask that you prayerfully consider what you can contribute as we do not have 100% full fund scholarships available. Scholarships are for 12 months only and are available as a monthly membership payment. Following each year of membership, you will need to apply for a scholarship again.

### **Helping Another Leader Belong**

If you would like to help sponsor a leader to join BLN Influence, please contact us at blninfluence@bethel.com.

### Offerings

As the Lord leads, there will be opportunity for leaders to sow into Kingdom ventures in the global network.

### How do I join bln?

Courses: purchase at <u>bethel.com/bln</u> Engage: sign up at <u>bethel.com/engage</u> Influence: apply at <u>bethel.com/bln</u>

# When can I apply to join bln influence?

We have two intakes per year for new Influence members:

February 1: Applications close January 15

August 1: Applications close July 15

We recommend starting your application process at least 6 weeks prior to the start date. The application process requires an application fee, online form, two references, and an interview. Interviews will not be scheduled until the form, application fee, and both references have been received.

### How to apply:

Begin the BLN online application process here. You'll be directed through a series of steps to complete the following:

- Verify you are a senior leader of a church, ministry or ministry organization
- Pay \$200 non-refundable application fee
- Submit your online application form
- Submit two completed personal references
- · Schedule your online interview

Within two to four weeks of your interview, we will notify with a decision on your application.

### If accepted:

Payment must be made two weeks prior to

- start date of BLN Influence membership to secure your spot.
- Complete BLN's Introduction to Kingdom Culture online course within 12 months of joining BLN.

### How do I leave bln?

BLN membership is voluntary and withdrawal of membership can be made at any time.

BLN Influence membership withdrawal process:

- Share your reasons for leaving with your revival group leader
- Ask your revival group leader to initiate the process for withdrawal

# Can I be asked to leave bln?

In order to maintain BLN membership, we expect all BLN leaders to align their actions with the BLN core values, standards, and financial commitment. If for some reason a leader chooses conduct outside of the expressed guidelines, the BLN team reserves the right to suspend the leader's membership for a time. This process will be overseen by the Bethel Leaders Network Executive Team, or the leader's home oversight team, as necessary.

The BLN leadership team is committed to walk through all issues with love and honor, prioritizing the protection of relationships. We will defer to the membership agreement in place when a change needs to happen. Our desire is to empower people to take responsibility for their actions and discover the root causes of behavior so they may be restored to wholeness. BLN values help and restoration above discipline and punishment.

# bln influence FAQ's

# Is my spouse included in my Influence membership?

Yes! The Influence membership is for a senior leader and their spouse. All Influence membership benefits are per household, not per person. For example:

- The two sozo sessions per year included in the senior leader benefits is two per household, not two per person. Each household can use up to two sessions per year, and can be used by either the senior leader or their spouse.
- The senior leader and their spouse will have the opportunity for a *joint* 30 minute monthly connection with their Bethel Revival Group Leader (RGL).

### How often will I hear from Bill & Kris?

As a member of BLN Influence, you can expect the following access to Bill Johnson and Kris Vallotton:

- Opportunity to receive from Bill, Kris and other Bethel leaders speaking at BLN annual events.
- Monthly online Q & A sessions with Bill, Kris and other Bethel and BLN leaders.
- Receive regular leadership insight from Bill,
   Kris and other Bethel leaders through the
   BLN blog and Increase podcast.

### What about other Bethel leaders?

BLN Influence members have access to other Bethel leaders through a variety of ways:

- Special guests in your revival group as organized by your revival group leader
- Through BLN Online Courses
- Facebook Live Q&As

• Strategic connection with Bethel speakers to invite to your church or ministry

# Are speakers/teams available to come to my church?

Yes. BLN provides Influence leaders with strategic connection to invite Bethel speakers to come teach at your church/ministry on a variety of revival and Kingdom culture topics.

# Can I use the BLN name and/or logo for my church/ministry?

No. The use of the BLN Influence logo is for the personal use of Influence members only.

# Are there any size requirements for churches to join?

BLN is for leaders of any size church or ministry.

# After joining, how do I develop connection and relationship within BLN?

Upon your acceptance into BLN Influence you will:

- Receive information explaining how to access all your benefits
- Be contacted by your BLN revival group leader and invited to your monthly connection time
- Be added to the private BLN Influence Facebook group to begin connecting with other members

# Can I get ordination or licensing through BLN?

No. BLN is not an ordination or licensing organization.

# Can I be part of another network or denomination simultaneously?

Yes.

# What type of spiritual and organizational covering does bln provide?

We believe spiritual covering is accessed as individuals position themselves as sons and daughters to receive from spiritual fathers and mothers. The apostolic five-fold ministry of Bethel desires to be a foundation, not a capstone, for strengthening and empowering current and future leaders to take the Kingdom further.

### As a BLN member, you'll have opportunity to:

- Experience the blessing of alignment and spiritual covering with Bethel's apostolic five-fold ministry leaders, such as Bill Johnson, Kris Vallotton and other fathers and mothers of the Bethel and BLN family.
- Experience the inheritance of fathers and mothers who have forged a relationship with God and whose blessing transcends time and space.
- Experience mutual covering, strength, and support by partnering in covenant relationships with other BLN members.

### **BLN** covering does NOT include:

- Direct, personal connection or access to Bethel Senior Leaders.
- Personal or organizational direction, management or oversight from Bethel leaders. (We expect every BLN leader to have a healthy support system in place to successfully manage their organization's finances, ministry, and conflict resolution).
- Vetting or endorsement of a church. BLN is a place for leaders to belong.

### Is BLN a denomination?

No. Bethel is not called to create a denomination, but instead to empower the whole body of Christ to bring heaven to earth. BLN exists to add strength to all leaders in the body of Christ, no matter their denomination.

### Our commitment to you:

The Bethel Leaders Network Executive Team commits to foster a trustworthy leadership team that submits to the authority of the Word of God (I Tim. 3:1-13 & Titus 1:6-9, I Peter 5:1-7). We commit to provide a place where leaders can belong to the Bethel family and connect, encourage and empower one another to transform our world. We will encourage and empower you "for works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ" (Eph. 4:12-13). We will seek to set an example in speech, life, love, faith and purity (1Tim. 4:12) and accurately teach the Word of Truth (2 Tim. 2:15). We will be approachable and teachable and create a family full of faith, hope, love and joy!