



Hello there!

Welcome to Vibrant Life! My name is Bayo (pronounced like “Bio”) and I am the founding leader of Vibrant Life Ministries, also known as VLM! I’m so glad you’ve found our page. Let me share a bit of background info about Vibrant Life:

Our community originally began in January 2023 as an internship project I created as a graduate student at Union Presbyterian Seminary called “Inquire & Inspire.” We met on Wednesday nights in a small classroom at Reveille United Methodist Church. Truth be told, I originally planned for our community to only meet for 8 weeks and I invited a few of my fellow young adult friends from around the Richmond area to be a part of this project. I assumed that once the 8 weeks were up, we would go our separate ways. However, as you can see, we’ve continued to meet and grow since then! In a way, I “accidentally” planted this community, but I believe that this was a “divine accident” and that God had this planned all along. We changed our community’s name in July 2023 and began meeting as Vibrant Life.

As you discern whether you’d like to come join our community, let me provide you with some background information on who we are:

- The members of our community are between the ages of 19-35. Many of us are in college, post-graduate study, or are working in our first “big kid jobs.” Adulting at its finest.
- Our community members are not all United Methodist. We have diverse representation across the spectrum of faith ranging from mainline religious affiliations to spiritual but not religious.
- Many members of our community have experienced real church hurt in their lives. A good number of us are not avid Sunday morning worshippers and can’t stand religion.

I can probably give you a whole lot more information about our community but you'll have to come visit. It takes all the fun out if I spill all the beans. :)

I know - you're probably a bit nervous about joining a whole new community and that's valid. Completely understood. However, let me promise you this if you do take the leap of faith to join us one Wednesday evening - you won't find another community like ours anywhere else. We worship together, we pray together, we eat (A LOT) together, and most importantly, we enjoy simply just being together.

If we sound like your kind of people, then I'd like to personally invite you to join us on Wednesday evenings at Reveille United Methodist Church at 5:30 pm. We are a new, growing, and relationship-building-focused community in the Richmond area. When you come to join us, you will be entered into a community of friends who genuinely care about you and want to see you grow into who God has made you to be. Many of us know the isolation of being a young adult trying to figure out everything and we want to walk with you as you journey through the mountains and valleys of life.

Feel free to look through our page and reach out to me if you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns about anything regarding Vibrant Life. Also, I'm an avid Richmond foodie, and if you'd like to grab a bite and get to know more about our community or have questions about faith as a young adult in the 21st century, I'm your guy!

Seriously - let's grab some grub and talk about God or anything else you need as you journey through life.

I look forward to meeting you!

Grace & Peace,

Bayo Ogungbade