

Name: Roots Writers and Social Media Critique Group

Meeting:

Tagline: Turning Readers into Disciples and Believers

Verse: *Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19*

Project Leader:

Contact:

- Fiction
- Nonfiction
- Short Stories
- Devotionals
- Missionary Letters
- Blogs
- Newsletters
- Online Work

Membership: FREE

It's tough to make a living nowadays. We created a group where writers, missionaries, and bloggers can come, find respite, and support as leaders and teachers in our community. We do not encourage marketing amongst the group, but will gladly help writers find a place to market their book. We are not your usual writers group. In fact, if you can afford it, we encourage people to attend the events offered at other writers groups for cross-networking and teaching.

Mission Statement:

Roots Writers and Social Media Critique Group is an ensemble of writers, of diverse genres and voices, that help each other return to the roots of their belief and why they write. We also help missionaries, bloggers, and social media users write better stories online to turn readers, partners, family, and friends into disciples. It is about accountability and encouragement for the journey. We believe writing and social media are powerful ways we can serve others.

How Our Group Works:

At Roots, we are set up as a small group; meeting in person and also online. Once our group reaches _____ people, we will encourage a leader to split off and begin another Roots group. We will help the new leader acquire his or her own group of people (without taking from the original group), promoting it through social media and listings. We will then close the original group to new members.

The new Roots group will use our logo and charter, setting his or her own limits on how many can join. The idea is to proliferate Roots to grow across the globe. To be listed as a Roots group on our project page requires an emailed testimony and phone call to the project leader and honoring the charter that you may print off and use as your own. The logo is free to use on any print or media if you start a Roots group in your own town.

Roots groups operate independently and are governed independently through the charter. Roots members must be a believer, agreeing with the following:

The Bible is the inspired, infallible word of God. The Bible is without error, and is the final authority of faith and practice.

We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We believe Jesus is the Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, lived a sinless life, died on the cross, resurrected bodily, and ascended to the right hand of the Father, to one day return in person.

We believe people receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life through Jesus, gaining the right to be children of God.

The project leader and CMI are not responsible for what happens in the other Roots groups.

While Roots Groups operate independently, to be listed on our website as "endorsed," the leaders must promise to abide by the charters guidelines in bringing in new members and keeping the group small. Leaders of Roots Groups who are listed on the website, must email a quarterly report to the project leader for the purpose of accountability and encouragement, bearing in mind that parts of the report that aren't confidential will be blogged about on CMI to advertise your group.

Under 18 years of age: A parent must accompany you to the face-to-face meetings. 16 to 17 years of age cannot join the online group.

Note: You cannot use our charter or our logo if you are not listed on our website.