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It doesn't connect with me. My perception of church has been one of hypocrisy, inauthenticity, shallowness, and irrelevance. Most churches seem to care more about what I am wearing than what is going on in my life. I dig the spiritual. I have just never found any benefit to gathering together with a bunch of people who tend to be fake and judgmental. I get wanting to make a difference in the world. There just doesn't seem to be much change coming from inside the walls of a church. I have stuff to figure out, but church doesn't seem the place to find answers. Church may be some people's thing, but I've never had much use for it.

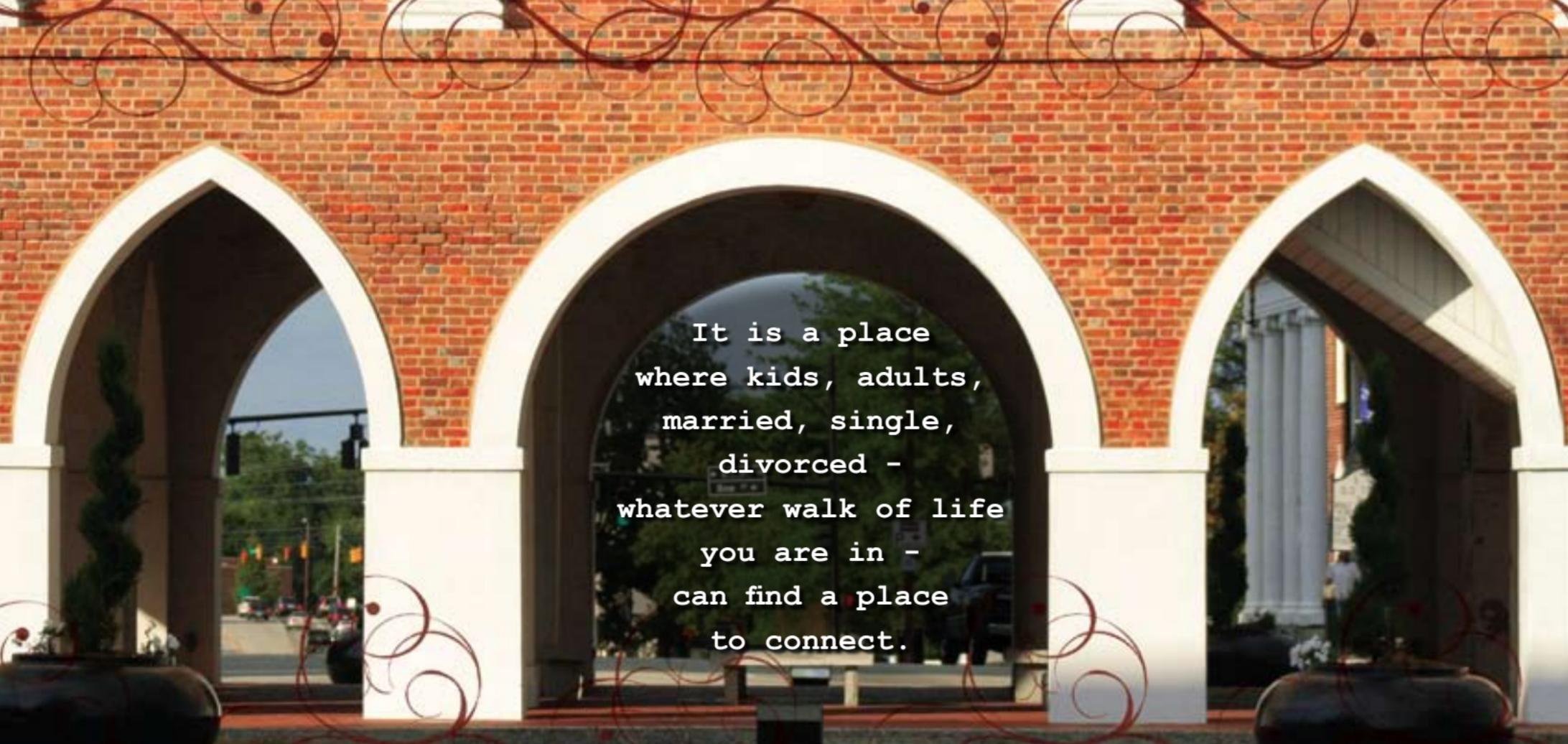




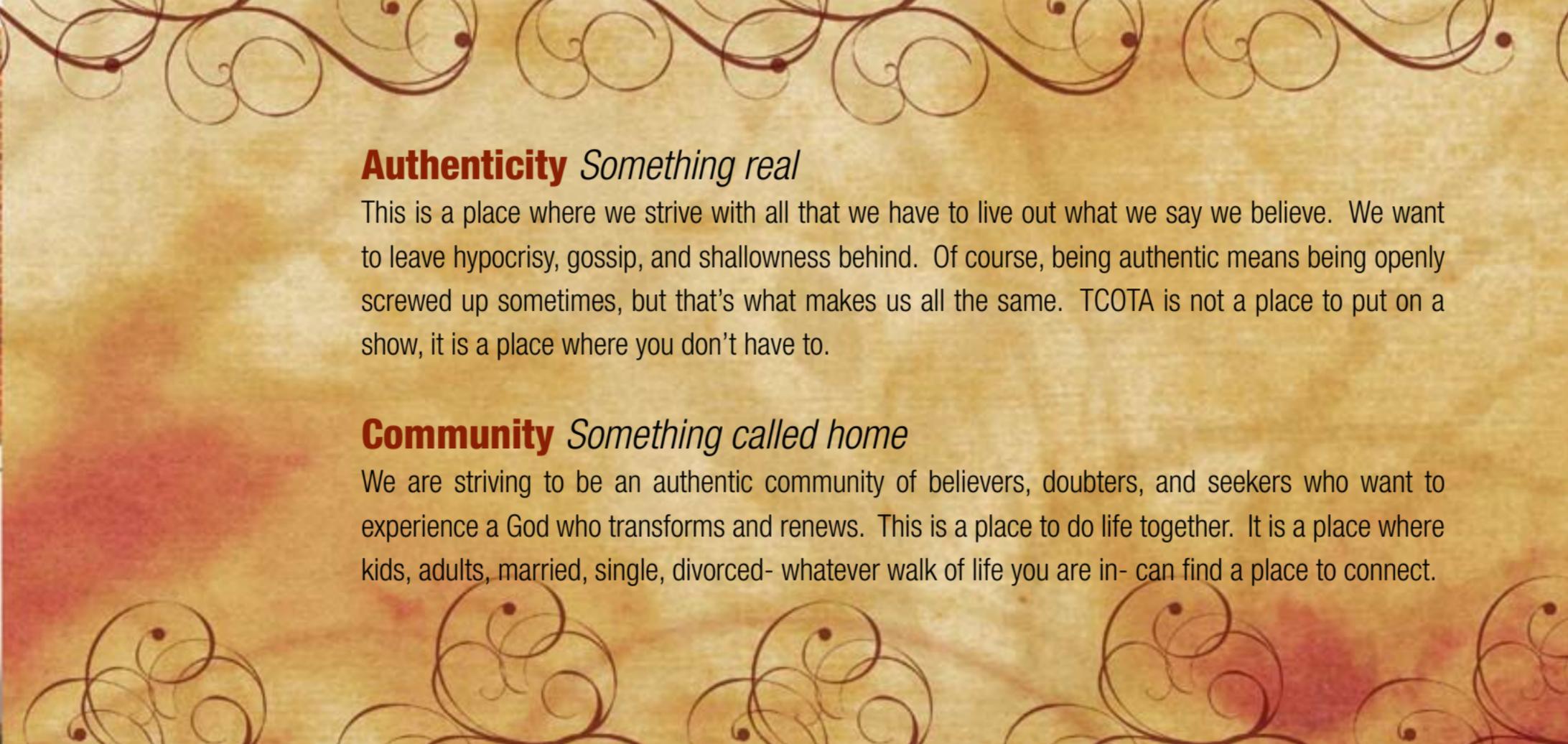
but what if...

What if there was a group that was authentic in what it said and in what it did? What if there was a place where the people had deep relationships with one another and lived life together? What if there was a place where it was okay to not be okay? Is there a place where I do not have to have everything figured out before I go in, that doesn't care what I wear, and is really making a difference in the community and the world? Could there be a church where I can ask questions, find answers, and grow with other people who are asking the same kind of questions I am? Where I could find healing, wholeness, and hope for my family and me? Does that place exist?

We are trying to build that place at The Church of the Apostles.



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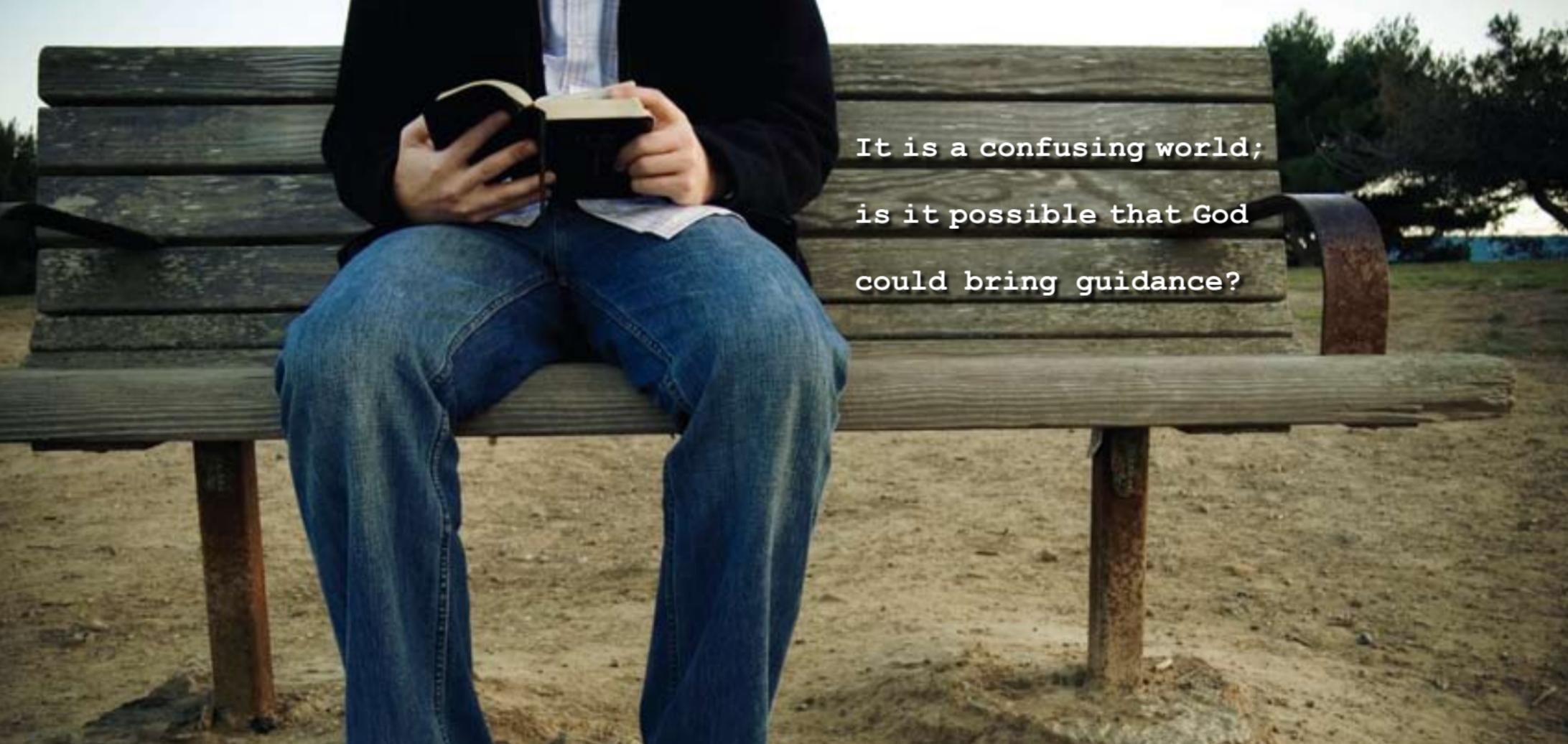


Authenticity *Something real*

This is a place where we strive with all that we have to live out what we say we believe. We want to leave hypocrisy, gossip, and shallowness behind. Of course, being authentic means being openly screwed up sometimes, but that's what makes us all the same. TCOTA is not a place to put on a show, it is a place where you don't have to.

Community *Something called home*

We are striving to be an authentic community of believers, doubters, and seekers who want to experience a God who transforms and renews. This is a place to do life together. It is a place where kids, adults, married, single, divorced- whatever walk of life you are in- can find a place to connect.

A person is sitting on a wooden bench outdoors, reading a book. The person is wearing a dark jacket over a light-colored shirt and blue jeans. The bench is made of weathered wooden planks and has a rusty metal armrest on the right side. The background shows a sandy area and some trees under a clear sky.

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Truth *Something to believe in*

It is a confusing world; is it possible that God could bring guidance? We believe so, and we have devoted ourselves to learning and living out what God is teaching.

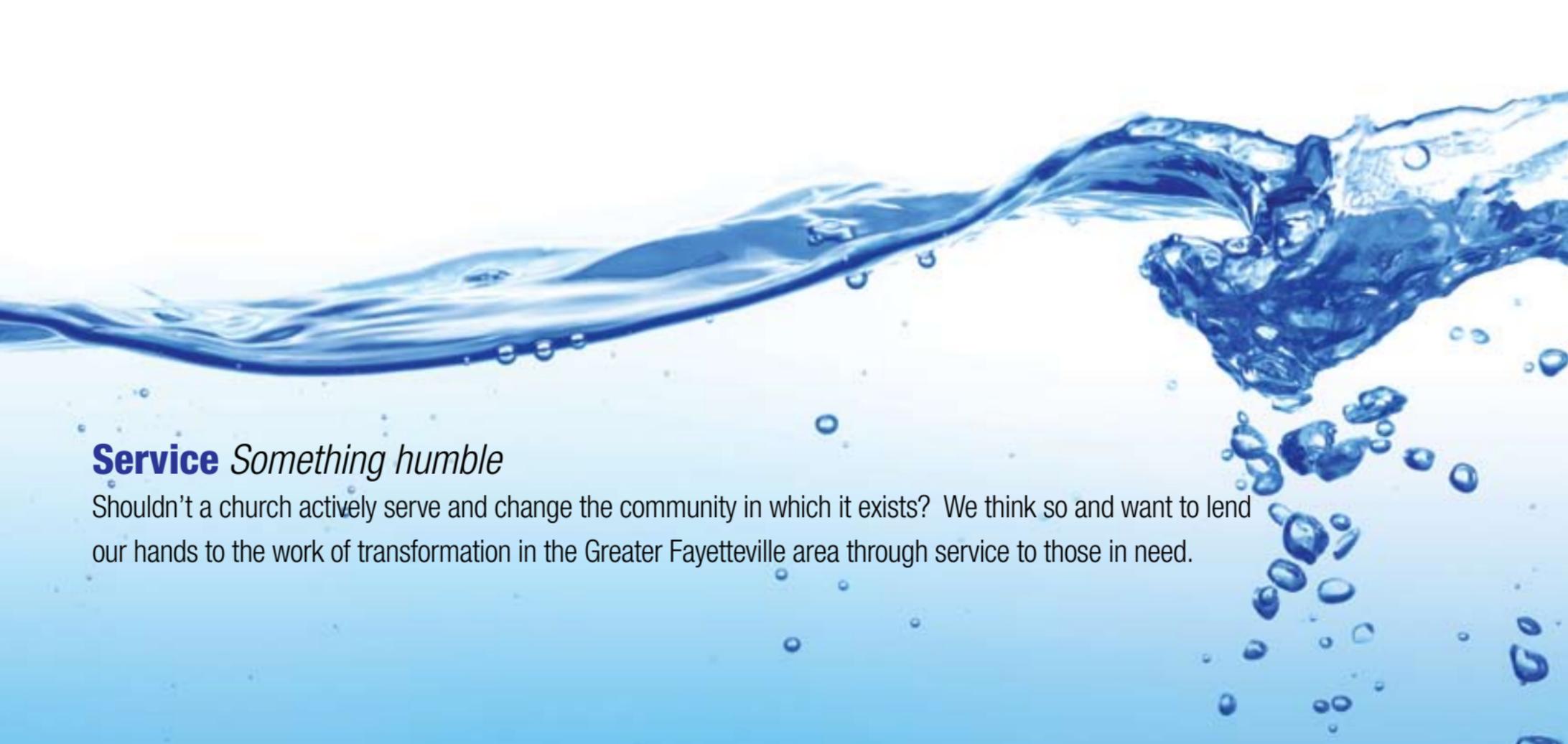
Relevance *Something worth it*

We want to prove that it is a myth that church has to be irrelevant and boring, but instead can be engaging, stimulating, and life changing. We want to engage the issues that we face together as a community and learn what faith can bring to real life.

Ancient-Future Worship *Something rooted*

Can we learn from those who have gone before? At TCOTA we want to combine the depth of ancient truth and style with the edginess of modern form to keep us both rooted and relevant. Our worship is grounded in the ancient traditions of the Christian Church that value mystery, community, and faithfulness to God's Word while at the same time incorporating our own gifts through new ideas and fresh expression.





Service *Something humble*

Shouldn't a church actively serve and change the community in which it exists? We think so and want to lend our hands to the work of transformation in the Greater Fayetteville area through service to those in need.





A Global Perspective *Something bigger*

We are intimately connected to the church of Rwanda and with 80 million others who share our tradition worldwide. Christianity is a global religion, so we want to be influenced by the perspectives of people all over the world who share our faith and give back in order to bring change to the globe.

Something Different

Whether or not you have a background in church we may not be what you are used to, but perhaps something different is exactly what you are looking for. Even the building we meet in is different from most. We hope that you will come and see, come and experience, come and be a part of what is happening here. We look forward to meeting you.

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