



Welcome to Integrate! It is our hope and prayer that you decide to continue worshipping with us and that you become integrated into our ministry.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

What's your name?

Where are you from originally?

What is your faith background/story?

How did you come to find UBIC?

What do you think we're doing right as a church?

What could we improve?

How can we pray for you?

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The United Brethren In Christ (UBIC) church is....

- *Evangelical.* Theologically, we enjoy solid evangelical credentials.
- *Not huge.* We have about 200 churches in the United States. Being huge has its advantages, but that's not who we are.
- *International.* We include churches in 18 countries, and a presence in a number of others.
- *Welcoming.* We gladly link arms with other Christian denominations, organizations, and groups to accomplish Christ's mission.
- *Church-focused.* We're not big on denominational stuff. The local church is where things happen.
- *Averse to hangups.* We take stands where necessary, but avoid areas where Christians can legitimately disagree. We don't like to scare people off or fight each other.
- *Historic.* We've been around for nearly 250 years. In fact, we were the first new denomination to begin in the New World.

There are 3 areas on which we focus at UBIC. These are Fellowship, Discipleship and Service; or as we say: LOVE, LEARN, LIVE. We also believe that this is the process that we should all go through in our faith and in the church. Every ministry we do fits under one of these headings.



LOVE: This is symbolized by the cross in our logo. Activities and events at UBIC in this category are outreach events. The goal is fellowship. We are showing God's love in a non-threatening environment. LOVE activities and events are things like the Food Pantry and FUSE Family events.

LEARN: This is symbolized by the flame in our logo. The flame represents the Holy Spirit and it is the Spirit that guides us into all truth. LEARN activities are ones where prayer and Bible study take place with people who have chosen to go deeper with us. LEARN activities are things like Sunday morning worship and small group studies.

LIVE: This is symbolized by the figures arm in arm. As people work through the LOVE and LEARN phases we equip them to 'Live Out' their faith by facilitating LOVE and LEARN activities and ministries. Together we can reach out to people bring them in and the cycle when working properly will repeat itself.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

The Bible says that every believer is given one or more spiritual gifts to be used in service to the larger body. The book of 1 Corinthians chapter 12 speaks of this.

“7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 8 To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, 10 to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues,^[a] and to still another the interpretation of tongues.^[b] 11 All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.”.

This gifts assessment can help you find out where your gifting lies and then you can see where these gifts can be used in the kingdom and in our local ministry. It's important to remember that the gifts are given to us not for our glory or blessing, but for the blessing and building up of others. Some gifts are used in ministries that are more visible and some are more behind the scenes. All of the gifts are essential and all are needed. Success in ministry is measured by our faithfulness to USE our gifts, not by how they are noticed or received. Being thanked and noticed for our gifts feels great, but it is not why we serve.