

The Inklings of Northeast Ohio 2023-2024



Between 1930 and 1950 a group of intelligent, well-read authors and scholars met regularly at the Eagle and Child Pub in Oxford, England to discuss their own writings and the writings of others. They called this group “the Inklings.” The most notable members were C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien (Tolkien’s *The Lord of the Rings* – the book, not the movie - was first read in public to this group).

CSLI – NEO invites you to become a member of our own Inklings Fellowship. This will be a group of individuals who commit to reading a book each month (sometimes a little more), memorizing select Scripture passages, then joining together to share what we have read. The 2023-2024 Inklings Program is open to alumni of our Fellows program.

Why the Inklings? That’s a good question. Some of our aims include:

- Providing an additional opportunity for alumni to connect with each other and with CSLI.
- Promoting spiritual growth through accountability and fellowship with others.
- Giving opportunity to stretch ourselves.
- Most importantly, striving to glorify God in how we use our time and our intellect for spiritual growth.

Here is how it works:

- Complete the Inklings Application online. *The cost to apply is \$300 for the Fall retreat. You must purchase your own books.*
- Financially support CSLI Northeast Ohio monthly (an amount determined between you and God)
- Attend Fall Retreat-September 8-10 (Friday afternoon-Sunday morning).
- Commit to being at all Saturday AM lectures.
- Complete monthly reading.
- Memorize Scripture of the month.
- Meet monthly with a small group or accountability partner.

Once you apply, the required reading list will be sent to you.

If you have questions, please send an email to Bethann at b.valantine@cslewisinstitute.org or Daniel at d.semelsberger@cslewisinstitute.org.