Hello Friends,

I'm going to facilitate a spiritual formation book club this year with Renovare. I participated individually last year and found it to be an enriching experience. The club runs from October 2021 to June 2022. Members will read four books during the nine months and meet once a month either in person or by video call for discussion.

When I read a challenging book, one that both informs and inspires me, I often wish I had someone to talk with about it. This is a perfect opportunity for meaningful conversation with four great books. I'm already familiar with two of them, "The Journal and Major Essays of John Woolman" and "Renovation of the Heart" by Dallas Willard. I have read "Renovation of the Heart" several times and am eager to read it again with a few friends. John Woolman's journal is a classic of spiritual formation. He was an American merchant, tailor, journalist, Quaker preacher, and early abolitionist during the colonial era. The other two books, "The Deeply Formed Life" by Rich Villodas and a biography of Eugene Peterson by Winn Collier should be equally rewarding to read.

I plan to meet in person at the church on the second Sunday of every month at 6:30pm for about an hour. I'm happy to offer an online option for anyone who might need or be interested in that format. The first meeting will be October 10.

If you'd like to join me, here's what to do:

- Sign up for the book club here Renovare Book Club. There is a \$50 membership fee that includes a copy of the first book. As a member, you'll also receive the following:
  - A reading schedule, email reminders, study guides, podcasts, and essays.
  - Exclusive content from the author or seasoned guide.
  - Avenues for thoughtful discussion with other Book Club members.
- Then, contact me personally to let me know you have signed up and that you want to take part in the monthly meetings I'll be hosting.

Please share this with others you think might be interested.

Grace and peace,

Danny

P.S. If you can't make the monthly meetings, or simply want to go at a different pace, by all means, still sign up for the book club, read on your own, and interact as you can with the online community.