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# BREW LIKE A MONK: SPIRITUAL PRACTICE AS FERMENTATION

## A SPIRITUAL FORMATION ELECTIVE

### INSTRUCTOR

**B.J. Woodworth**, Lead Pastor, The Open Door, and homebrewer

### DATES

Sept. 17-20, 2017

### OVERVIEW

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### REGISTRATION / HOUSING / DIRECTIONS

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### ADVANCE PREPARATION

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