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LIFE-GROUPS LIST

Fall-2017

ADULT LIFE GROUPS – BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER GROUPS

AN EVENING OF PRAYER Sunday evenings to pray for each other, the Body and various needs

LOG – LADIES OF GRACE BIBLE STUDY Thursday mornings for fellowship and a variety of interesting studies

MEN'S THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY an inspirational book study and prayer for each other

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING SHARING SESSION every Saturday, come as you are for a inspirational video and word for the day

THE JOURNEY be personally transformed by a deeper look into the glorious truths of the New Covenant, August-May

ADULTS - ACTIVITY & FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

HEART-TO-HEART - LADIES' MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP a fun event to connect and be encouraged by ladies of all ages

STITCHER'S CIRCLE enjoy great fellowship and working on whatever project you want to bring; two Tuesday afternoons per month

YOU MADE THAT?! CRAFTING LIFE-GROUP Join other women with a passion for crafting! Saturdays once-a-month

BAND OF BROTHERS laid-back fellowship and a good burger on Wednesday nights at various restaurants

MEN'S PICK-UP BASKETBALL good work-out for all ages and playing abilities on Wednesday nights in the gym

MEN'S THURSDAY BREAKFAST hot breakfast, fellowship and good weekly encouragement for men of all ages

WOMEN'S EXERCISE GROUP invigorating workout on Thursday nights in the gym for females of all ages

HOLY SMOKE POTLUCK meets monthly in homes for great fellowship, potluck dishes and smoked meat

FAITHFUL FOODIES adults who gather as scheduled for wonderful dining and fellowship



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INFORMATION ABOUT LIFE-GROUPS

*Experiencing and Expressing the Life of Christ Together
Come Join the "Rest"!*

What are Life-Groups?

Whether you are part of the Body or a friend or neighbor; whether you are exploring faith in God, are a new believer, or you are a longtime follower of Jesus; we believe you will both enjoy and benefit from becoming a part of a Life-Group. At Grace Life Fellowship, Life-Groups are usually 8-15+ people that meet weekly, twice a month, or monthly in different locations of our area. They are one of the best ways to build friendships with others, grow in your journey of faith, and express the Life of Christ to others around you. **NEW! We are especially excited about our new Sunday morning Elective Hour that features various enriching studies, all with childcare provided.** We encourage you to browse this catalog and find the group that fits you!

How long is a Life-Group commitment?

Our Life-Groups run for a four-month period, (semester cycle). Fall Life-Groups launch in September and end in mid-December; Spring Life-Groups go from February through May. Even if groups have already launched, you are welcome to join mid-semester. Though our groups run in semester cycles, many of them meet long-term, giving you an option to continue in your group semester-to-semester or to switch groups based on your needs or season of life.

Fall Semester: September-December Semester

You can sign-up for a group at the Life-Groups Fair in August. Browse the booths, meet the leaders and find out which group(s) you might like to attend!

Spring Semester: February – May Semester

You can sign-up for a group at the Life-Groups Fair in January. Browse the booths, meet the leaders and find out which group(s) you might like to attend! **We also have a shorter Summer Semester that meets June – August.**

Cost

There is no enrollment cost for Life-Groups. But in some groups, you might need to purchase a book that goes along with the study. The leader might email you a link for you to purchase the book online. In other groups, there might be a cost related to the type of activity, (an example might be a golfing fee, buying craft materials, or a meal cost). Each group leader will be able to give you more details about what is needed.

Childcare

Childcare is provided on Sunday mornings during our Elective Hour Classes. We are not able to offer childcare at other times of the week. Some of the groups pool their resources to offer childcare, and they might charge a reasonable fee to cover the cost of this.

How Do I Start?

Swing by the Welcome Booth, pick up a Life-Groups Catalog and let one of our volunteers help you find a group that interests you. Call, text, or email one of the leaders to find out when the group meets next. Although the meeting times are listed in the catalog, always call first as sometimes the schedule changes. Then, plan to attend and join the *rest!*

Is God stirring in you to start a Life-Group?

You can lead a group around any passion, gift or interest you have, and bless the lives of the people around you. Your passions, no matter what they are, can be used to help people in our Body and community to connect in friendship, grow spiritually, and experience Christ's Life together. To start a new Life-Group, please pick up a Life-Group Leader Helps & Guidelines at the Welcome Booth and contact a Life-Groups Coach: Jessie Marsh at 225.329.4719; Pat Fletcher at 225.921.0480; Life-Groups Coach for Youth Emily Soule at 225.229.3226.

ADULT LIFE GROUPS – BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER GROUPS

AN EVENING OF PRAYER will encourage you! Spend time lifting up needs to Father in prayer: needs of each other, needs of the Body and beyond. (Please inquire before attending as the schedule may change.)

Leader: Don Driscoll

Contact: dgd1934@juno.com 225.485.6942

When: Sundays, 6:30pm

Where: Home of Don & Joyce Driscoll, near Siegen and Perkins



LOG - LADIES OF GRACE BIBLE STUDY meets for study and fellowship and is open for all ladies!

The group does a variety of interesting studies. The present study is: *Proven*, by Jennie Allen; begins September 7. Books may be purchased at Lifeway or online; make sure you get the *Proven Workbook*. This will be followed by a study by Priscilla Shirer. (Please inquire before attending as the schedule may change.)

Leader: Linda Denham

Contact: lindadenham7@gmail.com 225.752.7777

When: Thursdays, 9:30am, beginning September 7

Where: Meeting Room 2



MEN'S THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY is a group for men of all ages that meets in a come-as-you-are atmosphere, for good encouraging fellowship and an inspirational book study. The books and study are centered on the New Covenant and understanding Christ as our Life. (Please inquire before attending as the schedule may change.)

Leader: Don Driscoll

Contact: dgd1934@juno.com 225.485.6942

When: Thursdays, 7:00pm

Where: Home of Foxy Denham, near Highland Road and Pecue Lane



MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING SHARING SESSION is a come as you are fellowship with hot coffee served and an inspiration for the day! You will be blessed as we will watch a 30 minute video from a variety of different teachers followed by discussion and sharing. We will begin "The Abiding Life Seminar," by Michael Wells in February. Through these insightful teachings, you will discover how you act, why you act that way, and how Jesus sets you free!

Please contact me so I can get you on the email list.

Leader: Don Driscoll

Contact: dgd1934@juno.com 225.485.6942

When: Saturdays, 7:30-8:30am

Where: Meeting Room 2



THE JOURNEY sinking your roots deep into the glorious truths of the New Covenant and experiencing God's transforming grace on a personal level! This is a mature growing experience that involves a sizeable amount of weekly reading and homework. There is also an option to continue on to the Advanced Discipleship Training, January-May, which is the training to become a discipleship-counselor. There is a fee to attend the course. Also, the Grace Life Conference, a weekend in August, is a prerequisite for the training. Enrollment for the next Journey opens in mid-May.

Leader: Kevin Brandon, Pastor of Counseling & Body Life

Contact: kevin@gracelifefellowship.org 225.975.5200

When: Mondays, Aug - Dec, 5:30-8:30pm, sessions begin in late August.

Where: Meeting Room 2



ADULT LIFE GROUPS - ACTIVITY & FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

HEART-TO-HEART - LADIES' MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP whether you are single, a mom with little one's in tow, or in the middle years or beyond; this is a chance to connect with other ladies and be encouraged. We hold various monthly events, just for fun, conversation and being uplifted by each other. Please contact us to get on the email list to find out about where and when for the next event. Please plan some sitting if you need to, we do not have childcare offered at the events. And feel free to bring a friend!

Leaders: Pam Braud, Amy Bihm, Ashley Wright, Amy Balzer

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ashleyl.wright@yahoo.com 352.359.0818, abalzer@teainonline.com 225.362.9363

When: Once a month as scheduled; please get on the email list for the date & time & location of the month

Where: Location to be announced



STITCHER'S CIRCLE is a place to work on your handwork projects without the distractions of home! Crochet, knit, needlepoint, cross stitch, or even your mending pile; if you can carry it to the Youth Room, you bring it for finishing and fellowship!

Leader: Linda Jewel

Contact: fouratonce@gmail.com 662.231.0753

Where & When: Youth Room, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, Noon-2pm



YOU MADE THAT?! CRAFTING LIFE-GROUP Join other woman with a passion for crafting – scrapbooking, cardmaking, cricut/silhouette projects, jewelry making! We meet one Saturday per month, (usually the 2nd Saturday,) and there are two ways you can participate:

*Crop Day, 9am-5pm: Bring your own projects and supplies and enjoy the company of others! Cost is \$5.

*Make 'n Take Class, 10:00-11:30am: Learn paper crafting techniques with a focus on cardmaking and go home with a completed project. All materials and supplies are provided. Just bring yourself and an eagerness to learn new things! Cost is usually \$5.

*Coffee, water and light snacks are provided. Reservations are required each month in order to properly set up the room and prepare the materials for the projects.

Leader: Paula Smith, Penny Jones, Becky Gouvier, Gina Merritt

Contact: (Paula) pkgsmith@gmail.com 225.235.7721; (Penny) pennyjones1947@gmail.com 225.266.9757; (Becky) rgouvier@gmail.com 225.205.9436; (Gina) tginarmerritt@gmail.com 225.955.0594

When: Saturday, once a month as scheduled, (usually the 2nd Saturday); times listed above

Where: Gym

Who: Ladies only please – (13 and up)



BAND OF BROTHERS is a group for men of all ages who restaurant hop and enjoy laid-back fellowship with a good burger and beverage! To find out where we are meeting, please contact us to get on the email list.

Leader: Chet Barton, Buddy Merritt

Contact: chet.barton@gmail.com 225.978.9362; geauxlow@aol.com 225.963.0828

When: Wednesday evenings, 5:30pm

Where: Various restaurants, please get on the email list for the location of the week



MEN'S PICK-UP BASKETBALL meets for fellowship and a good work-out in the Gym; men of all ages and playing abilities are welcome! (Please inquire before attending as the schedule may change.)

Leader: Jess Hebert, Tim Chalas

Contact: jhebe71@gmail.com 225.776.1153; tim@gracelifefellowship.org 225.405.8571

When: Wednesdays, at 6:30pm

Where: Gym



MEN'S THURSDAY BREAKFAST is a group for men of all ages to meet for fellowship, encouragement and a delicious hot breakfast. (Please inquire before attending as the schedule may change.)

Leader: Paul Pepitone

Contact: peptros@aol.com, 225.767.0873

When: Thursday Mornings, at 7:00am

Where: Ambrosia Bakery, Siegen Lane near Perkins Road.



WOMEN'S EXERCISE GROUP is for females of all ages and fitness levels, and you will be blessed and invigorated! Please bring a yoga/fitness mat, water bottle and small towel. (Please inquire before attending as the schedule may change.)

Leader: Amy Bihm, Allison Marsh

Contact: amy.bihm@gmail.com 225.324.4835, allison.m.marsh@gmail.com 225.329.7430

When: Thursdays, at 6:30-7:30pm

Where: Gym



HOLY SMOKE POTLUCK gathers once-a-month to savor some delicious smoked meat along with enjoying great friendship and potluck dishes brought by everyone! We can share our ideas about marinades, rubs, methods, woods to use, and various meats to smoke. Each month, we will have a volunteer to supply the meat, (Chris has a smoker,) and the rest of us will bring potluck dishes, beverages, and a folding chair. Let's plan to rotate the location to different homes of those in the group. We will have an email list to let everyone know the day, time and location. Plan to come and meet new friends around some great food!

Leader: Chris Cockrell, Kevin Brandon

Contact: cdcbluzebroker@gmail.com, 225.572.5313; kevinbrandonym@gmail.com 225.975.5200

When: Once-a-month, during the weekend, as scheduled; date and time to-be-announced via email

Where: Various homes of people in the group



FAITHFUL FOODIES This is a group for adults who will gather casually for wonderful cuisine at fine dining restaurants and perhaps in some of our homes. Please join us for a great culinary experience and great fellowship! Plan to get on the email list; we'll let you know the day, time, location and details. Each time, please plan to RSVP early so that we can make plans accordingly; and we'll also have each pick up their tab and tip at the end of the meal.

Leaders: David & Candace Gary, Jim & Gail Lloyd

Contact: dgary@redstick.com 225.252.8384; jim@cornerstoneflooring.net, lloydacademy@cox.net

When: As scheduled

Where: Restaurants and perhaps some homes; please get on the email list for details

