

CPC Student Ministry Sunday Evening Life Groups

Start Date: Sunday, September 8

Who: Each group will consist of eight to twelve students assembled by grade and gender, two student leaders, and an adult volunteer. Students sign-up to be part of a group and commit to the life group covenant.

What: In Home Student Led Discipleship Groups. This is a discipleship program geared for students to grow in their relationship with Christ and to be connected with other believers and an adult Christian friend.

Why: Life change happens through life groups and relationships. Through prayer, teaching God's Word, and building relationships with students, we hope to encourage, educate, and enlighten them spiritually and socially.

Where: Host Homes

When: See Timeline below! Each group will begin meeting the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays during the Fall 2013 semester for Relational building, Fun, Accountability, and Bible study. Each meeting will start at 5:30 PM and wrap up at 7:30 PM.

VISION: There are many different ways students can connect with other believers and grow closer to Christ in the Student Ministry of CPC, but creating Life Groups for our ministry has the potential to change the look and dynamics of our entire group. It gives students, student leaders, and adult volunteers the opportunity to experience God together in a new and exciting way.

The purpose behind life groups is to GET STUDENTS CONNECTED! Life groups are geared for students to connect with other believers, their student leaders, and an adult Christian friend. Ultimately to help them grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. We believe, through life groups, these relationships, and all that is already established in the ministry that life change happens.

LIFE GROUPS create an atmosphere where students can connect with others and feel comfortable to ask questions, open-up and be themselves. These groups teach students about accountability and responsibility to one another, and they are a great way for students to feel loved and encouraged on a regular basis. Remember, every student hungers for attention and love. By creating a off campus small group ministry, we create opportunities for students to receive encouragement and spiritual nourishment on a regular basis.

Here's the bottom line: STUDENTS NEED RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER BELIEVERS. When students in our ministry begin to reap the benefits of these relationships and being in a life groups, you will begin to see the amazing impact life groups can have on our ministry.

Leadership Training: Each leader will go through training the entire month of August and then once per month from then on. Essentially, I train the student leaders thus equipping them to do the work of the ministry (Eph. 4:12).

What you can expect from our leaders:

- To be reliable and dependable.
- To be a Christ-like role model to the students.
- To have a servant's heart.
- To communicate with Pastor Ryan regularly (needs, frustrations, etc.).
- To be loyal to CrossPointe and the Student Ministry.
- To seek a lifestyle of purity (in relationships, habits, free-time).
- To be faithful in church attendance.
- To be committed to personal growth.
- To attend all leadership meetings .
- To "BE COMMITTED TO WHAT THEY HAVE COMMITTED TO!"

Life Groups Breakdown:

Home 1: 7-8 Girls

Home 2: 7-8 Boys

Home 3: 9-10 Girls

Home 4: 9-10 Boys

Home 5: 11-12 Girls

Home 6: 11-12 Boys

**Once a group reaches the maximum of 12 participants, we will start another group in a new home.*

Typical Life Group Schedule

- Welcome and hellos
- Game or ice-breaker
- Prayer
- Bible study and discussion time
- Memory Verses
- Prayer
- Snack (Optional)



Life Groups 2013 Timeline:

August

- 4th - Leadership Training
- 11th - Ignite Community Back 2 School Bash (nothing for LifeGroups)
- 18th - Leadership Training
- 25th - Leadership Training

September

- 1st - Off (Labor Day Weekend)
- 8th - Life Groups begin
- 15th - Life Groups
- 22nd - Life Groups
- 29th - Bible Study on campus for all students / Student Leadership Training

October

- 6th - Life Groups
- 13th - Life Groups
- 20th - Life Groups
- 27th - Bible Study on campus for all students / Student Leadership Training

November

- 3rd - Life Groups
- 10th - Life Groups
- 17th - Life Groups
- 24th - Bible Study on campus for all students / Student Leadership Training

December

- 1st - Life Groups
- 8th - DNow (No Life Groups)
- 15th - Christmas Celebration Life Groups
- 22nd - Off
- 29th - Off

**2014 Life Group Schedule will resume on Sunday, January 5th.*

Host Homes:

If you are interested in hosting a Life Group in your home, please contact Pastor Ryan.

His for your family,

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