

2018



**MSIDE
LIFE
GROUPS**

**Connected
together**

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***God designed us to be His personal agents
to encourage, challenge, and care for one another.
Jesus told his disciples, "A new command I give you:
Love one another.***

***As I have loved you, so you must love one another.
By this all men will know that you are my disciples,
if you love one another."***

John 13:34-35

LIFE GROUPS...WHAT ARE THEY?

LIFE: Learning, Intentional Growth, Fellowship, and Evangelism

LIFE Groups offer additional avenues for Morningsiders, their neighbors, and friends to connect in small groups at casual gatherings. These groups foster discipleship through...

- Learning about *The "Acts" of a Disciple* through discussion and storying.
- Intentionally Growing in our spiritual relationship with Jesus, in our personal relationship with others, and in our prayer life.
- Fellowshipping and building relationships with other Christians in a relaxing atmosphere.
- Evangelizing by inviting neighbors and friends to a "safe" place.

WHEN AND WHERE DO LIFE GROUPS MEET?

- LIFE Groups meet for eight weeks, beginning the week of June 17 and continuing through the week of August 5, 2018.
- Most groups meet in homes at a time and place convenient for the entire group.
- Each group is responsible for child care.
- Refreshments are welcomed, but the focus should be on our fellowship together.

WHO MAY ATTEND LIFE GROUPS?

- Anyone in high school and older may be a part of the LIFE Groups.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

"...the transformation by which we allow Christ to express Himself in and through us, resulting in a greater capacity on our part to bring God greater glory and experience His greater good."

Tony Evans

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

- Pray that God can use our summer LIFE Groups as a way to renew, discover, learn, connect, grow, and care.
- Sign up in the Welcome Center and invite neighbors and friends. Assignments will be made according to host home locations and potential attendees.
- Consider hosting a group at your home, offering a welcoming and relaxing atmosphere. Let Pastor Steven or Freida know!
- Make a commitment to your group members and host or hostess to be present as often as possible.
- Consider serving as a facilitator or associate facilitator. These leaders are responsible for providing their group with vision, direction, and support. Attend the training session on May 20.

WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR BECOMING A LIFE GROUP LEADER?

- Be spiritually warm — has a personal, growing relationship with Jesus Christ and has the ability to encourage and challenge others to grow spiritually
- Be relationally warm — has good social skills and emotional intelligence
- Recognizes the Bible as the authority in their lives
- Be a member of Morningside Baptist Church
- Has LIFE Group experience (Preferably)

LIFE GROUP TRAINING SESSION SUNDAY, MAY 20 6:00 P.M. FELLOWSHIP HALL

If you think you might be interested in serving as a facilitator, associate facilitator, host, or hostess, please plan to attend this informational meeting.

