

Spring

2013

Building Relationships Together!

We are called to be building blocks in one another's lives. What better opportunity to do that than through LIFE Groups!

Through LIFE Groups, we work together to grow personally and spiritually while building lasting relationships. In joining a LIFE Group, you have the chance to create real relationships with real people doing real life together!

To find a LIFE group that is right for you, check out our "Builders" on the following pages. You will be ableto view topic, times, locations, etc. There is no reason to live this life alone! Get busy building relationships now!

NEED TO KNOW....

I. WHAT IS A LIFE GROUP?

LIFE Groups are small groups that meet in someone's home or various places for a time of fellowship, spiritual growth, and prayer.

2. HOW LONG DO LIFE GROUPS LAST?

LIFE Groups last around ten to twelve weeks

3. WHO CAN ATTEND A LIFE GROUP?

EVERYONE is welcome to attend a LIFE Group.

4. HOW IS A LIFE GROUP DIFFERENT FROM A BIBLE STUDY?

Both LIFE groups and Bible studies encourage spiritual growth and connection for individuals; however, Bible studies are indepth studies which require extra time and often a cost for purchasing material such as a book or workbook. LIFE Groups, on the other hand, mainly use DVD based curriculum and there is no added cost or extra time required for the study.

5. IS CHILDCARE PROVIDED FOR THE GROUPS?

Childcare is not provided. Each group decides what it will do regarding childcare.

6. HOW OFTEN DO LIFE GROUPS MEET?

Each LIFE group varies; some meet bi-weekly and others meet weekly.

7. WHAT DO GROUPS STUDY?

We have placed information about what groups are studying along with host information listed on the following pages.





ELIZABETH PLAUCHE

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Day: Sunday

Location: Church office E-mail:eplacuche@hotmail.com

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Topic: Real Women, Real Faith (Women's Group)

The demands and expectations women face can be overwhelming. This topic explores six women of the New Testament and their struggles as well as their triumphs over their struggles. These women will encourage women of today to have faith and hope in the midst of difficulties.



ANDREA JOHNSTON & EMILY OPPERMAN

Day: Sunday Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Haughton E-mail: daysi | 18@aol.com

Topic: Discovering God's Will

Ever wonder about the "why's," who's," and "when's" of life? Every wonder how God is supposed to fit in all that? This study addresses how you can seek God's will, apply pracitical steps in seeking God's will, and answer the why, who, and when of life with confidence!



GUIEL HAUSEN

Day: Every other Sunday Time: 4:30 P.M.

Location: Shreveport E-mail: guiel.hausen@gmail.com

Topic: 21st Century Parent (women's group)

Raising children is no easy task, but there is a way to make it easier. This study is a tool to help you learn how to help kids make healthy life choices as well as give you guidance on how to handle things when wise decisions aren't made. Overall, it encourages you as a parent giving you tools to better yourself as well as your children.





BUTCH & VIKKI SMITH

Day: Every other Sunday Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: S. Bossier E-mail:vikkismith | 155@yahoo.com

Topic: Life Management

Your perspective of your life will shape what you do with your life. In this small group study, you will learn how to manage your struggles, time, money, and talents so that you can live the abundant life God has planned for you!



WENDY PETERMAN & PERI GILBERT

Day: Every other Sunday Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: N. Bossier E-mail:peri@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: Made to Crave (Women's Group)

We all crave something. But are our cravings out of whack? Do we crave food and stuff more than we crave God? This study focuses on how to bring our "cravings" into balance and manage a healthy life style that will balance our physical and spiritual health.



ADAM & SARAH LYTLE

Day: Sunday Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: N. Bossier E-mail: sarahjean 123@yahoo.com

Topic: Five Things God Wants to Use to Grow Your Faith

It would be wonderful to know that God is always with us even in the midst of the tragedies and temptations. This study will do precisely that! This study focuses on how to know with certainty that God is "working all things together for our good."





Day: Sunday Location: N. Bossier

Time: 6:00 P.M. E-mail: lacajunclassics@bellsouth.net

Topic: End of the World by Ed Young & Christian by Andy Stanley

From the very beginning of time, we have speculated about the end of the world. Yet, only God truly knows the details. Through these two studies, you will gain truth concerning how the end is only the beginning of our hope today as well as our call to live as Christ-followers while we are on this earth!

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Time: 6:00 P.M. E-mail: jsccp@me.com

Topic: Christian by Andy Stanley (Men's Group)

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TEAGUE LAMPKIN & JEFF

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JANET HORN & BEVERLY CHILDRESS

Time: 6:30 P.M. Day: Monday

E-mail: beverlyc555@gmail.com Location: N. Bossier

Topic: God's Answers to Life's Difficult Questions (women's group)

Life's difficult questions have more answers than a simple world view provides. This study addresses life's tough questions using God's word. Through this study, you will receive God's comfort and truths to life's difficult questions.



CHIP & JULIE MITCHELL

Day: Every other Monday Time: 6:00 P.M.

E-mail: julie@thesimplechurch.tv Location: N. Bossier

***Guys meet one week; girls meet following week

Topic: Why Worry?

Worry is an universal element. It's something we've all done and wish we could quit! This study explores why we worry and why it is so difficult to overcome as well as Jesus' answer to overcoming worry. Through Biblical teaching, you will recieve practical tools on how to conquer worry and anxiety in your life!





Day: Every other Monday Location: Churh office

Time: 6:00 P.M. E-mail: justin@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: TBA (men's group)

This group will focus on anything and everything. Spiritual growth, marriage, (hopefully, not the Cowboys), and much more! Regardless of the topic, relationships will grow in Christ as well as with each other!

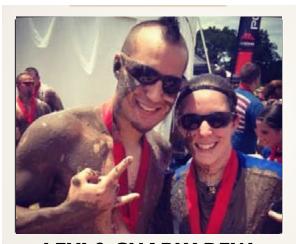


Day: Every Other Monday Location: Haughton

Time: 6:00 P.M.
E-mail: angie@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: Human Trafficking (women's group)

The goal of this group is to learn more about human trafficking and how to become more involved through local and global ministries to help get rid of human trafficking. There will also be opportunities for serving with other organizations to help conquer this rising issue.



LEVI & CHARLY DEW

Day: Monday Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: S. Bossier E-mail: hockeybug05@yahoo.com

(Arthur Teague Parkway Boat Launch)

Topic: Running and Training

The goal of this group is to connect through running and training. While building the body, people will have the chance to build relationships and grow personally and spiritually.













Day: Every Other Tuesday Time: 6:30 P.M.

Topic: Soul Detox

Location: N. Bossier

We are living in a polluted world. We must fight the soul pollution threatening our health, our faith, and our witness to others. Soul Detox examines the pollution infecting us: toxic influences, toxic emotions, and toxic behaviors. This study offers ways to remain unpolluted, pure, and focused on the standard of God's holiness.



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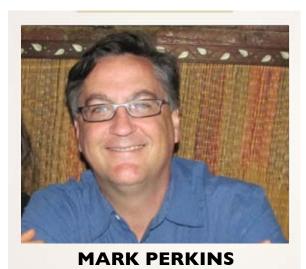
Day: Tuesday
Location: Church Office E-mai

Time: 6:30 P.M.
E-mail: maryhodges45@yahoo.com

E-mail: evandean62 l@gmail.com

Topic: The Purpose Driven Life (women's group)

Wonder why you are here and what your purpose is? This study will help you understand God's incredible plan for you. It will enable you to see the big picture of what life is all about and begin to live the life God created for you!



Day: Tuesday Time: 5:30 P.M.

Location: N. Bossier E-mail: perkins@perkinsfirm.com

(STARBUCKS on Airline Dr. by the Mall)

Topic:Workplace Integrity

Whether you own your business or work for someone, working within a holy standard is difficult. This study will offer spiritual habits as well as practical tools to help you live a godly example in the midst of your workplace.



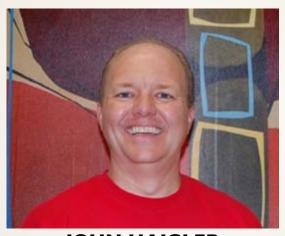


Day: Tuesday Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Shreveport E-mail: mica_630@yahoo.com

Topic: The Me I Want to Be

We all struggle with who we want to be because we do not understand who God says we are. This study will dive into God's view of us as well as His vision and desire for our lives. It will encourage you to be the you you were created to be!



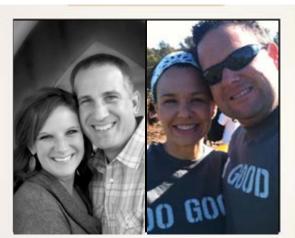
JOHN HAIGLER

Day: Tuesday Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: N. Bossier (BIC) E-mail: john@thesimplechurch.tv
(Bossier Instructional Center next to Airline High School)

Topic: Dave Ramsey: Financial Peace University

Understanding how to handle finances and to do so in a way that honors God. This study offers you an opportunity to become and remain debt free as well as see how you grow spiritually when you're financially balanced.

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DAVID & CHRISTY AGUILLARD and RYAN & CELESTE STEHR

Day: Every other Tuesday Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Haughton E-mail: Celestes 75@hotmail.com

Topic: Built to Last - Marriage Series by Chip Ingram

No relationship is perfect; however, no matter the imperfections, it can last. Whether you're newly married, remarried, or wanting to improve your relationship, this study will give you tools to live intentionally and love Biblically. It will give you an opportunity to create relationships built to last.





Day: Tuesday
Location: Shreveport

Time: 7:00 P.M.
E-mail: crissham@gmail.com

Topic: Simple

Life is complicated; Jesus is not. He offers us a simple invitation: "follow me." While this invitation is simple, it has a profound impact. Through this study, you will discover the simplicity of Jesus message to follow Him.



RYAN EPPS & ERIN SEMANCO

Day: Every other Tuesday Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: N. Bossier E-mail: erinelizabeth2008@yahoo.com

Topic: The New Rules of Love Sex and Dating

This series asks one of the greatest questions: Are you who the person you are looking for is looking for? It explores the challenges associated with being single and/or dating in the twenty-first century. This study provides solid and applicable truths from God's word for single Christ followers today!



Day: Tuesday Time: 10:00 A.M.
Location: N. Bossier E-mail: sandrab78@suddenlink.net

Topic: The Parent Adventure (women's group)

Whether you are a stay at home mom or a working mom, you understand the difficulty of raising kids in this generation. This study is designed to encourage mothers in their walk with Christ as well as teach them applicable skills for parenting children in Christ in the 21st century.





SCOTT & LAUREN MILAM

Day: Every other Wednesday Time: 6:30 P.M. **Location: Benton** E-mail: milam scott@yahoo.com

Topic: Staying in Love

It may be easy to fall in love, but it's harder staying there. This topic addresses the foundation for lasting love addressing how couples can grow their love over time and avoid "falling out of love." Through Biblical teaching, you learn practical truths and tools to staying in love!



CODY TUMA

Day: Every other Wednesday Time: 7:00 P.M. E-mail: codytuma@yahoo.com Location: Shreveport

Topic: Crazy Love by Francis Chan (Men's group)

Trying to be a Christian father, husband, worker, etc. and love others in this very secular world is difficult. It is difficult to some degree because we do not fully understand God's love for us. This study not only explores how crazy God's love is for us, but how we can embrace His love allowing us to love others around us with His love.



MARSHALL & KAREN **COWLEY**

Day: Wednesday Location: Shreveport

Time: 6:30 P.M.

E-mail: cowley4127@gmail.com

Topic: Fearleass

We are born with only two fears: the fear of falling and the fear of loud noises: all other fears are learned. What if we had the chance to rid ourselves of our "learned" fears? We do. This study explores what Jesus had to say about fear and how we can get rid of our fears. Through Biblical truth, you are offered wisdom and practical tools for living fear free!

















Day: Wednesday E-mail: chrisoppart@aol.com Location: N. Bossier

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Topic: Working with Addictions

This study focuses on helping people work through their addictions and encourage them as they embrace recovery from addiction. This group is designed to help those wanting recovery to face the steps and implement them so that healing can begin and continue.



CHRIS OPP

Location: Minden

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6:30 P.M. E-mail: snshankins@gmail.com

Topic: Faith, Hope and Luck

Our faith in God often depends on everything else but God. God did not design our faith to be based on luck or wishful thinking. This study explores what it means to have faith, and explains what we can expect of God every time we come to him with a request.



JANIS GAUTHIER, MARCELLE **TUBBS, BECKY CRANFORD**

Day: Wednesday Location: N.Bossier

Time: 6:00 P.M. E-mail: janisgauthier@bellsouth.net

Topic: Fruit of the Spirit (women's group)

We all have the ability to be patient, kind, gentle, etc., but we may not practice those abilitites often. These "abilities" are the fruits of the spirit that reside within us. Through this study, you will have an opportunity to gain Biblical truth about the fruits of the Spirit as well learn how to apply these truths to your life.





TOM & MARY GLASS

Day: Every other Wednesday Time: 6:00 P.M. Location: N. Bossier E-mail: Mary.Glass@bossierschools.org

Topic: You've Got Style

We have different ways of expressing ourselves: hair, clothing, etc. The same is true for how we spend time with God. Our expressions of worship can be as varied as we are, but which way is the right way? This study offers Biblical truth on what it means to draw near to God as well as provides practical tools on how your worship style can draw you to Christ.



Day: Every other Wednesday Time: 6:00 P.M. E-mail: carlituma@yahoo.com Location: Shreveport

Topic: Crazy Love by Francis Chan (Women's Group)

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BEVERLY HUNTER

Day: Wednesday Time: 6:30 p.m.

E-mail: beverly_hunter@att.net Location: Benton

Topic: Stuck (women's group)

We often get "stuck" in life. We try fixing everything only to find ourselves stuck even more. Being stuck is not what God has planned for us. Through this study, you will see how God desires to lift us out of our "stuck" places and provide us hope and freedom.





Day: Every Other Wednesday Time: 6:00 p.m. Location: N. Bossier E-mail: donnar@eagletruck.net

Topic: Discovering God's Will (Women's Group)

Ever wonder about the "why's,"who's," and "when's" of life? Every wonder how God is supposed to fit in all that? This study addresses how you can seek God's will, apply pracitical steps in seeking God's will, and answer the why, who, and when of life with confidence!



SHIRLEY PRUNTY & ANNE **MCCONATHY**

Time: 7:30 a.m. Day: Wednesday Location: Church Office E-mail: ahmcc101161@aol.com

Topic: Prayer Group

This group is designed to pray over prayer requests as well as develop personal growth in prayer.

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Overcomers-SSA

Biblically Overcoming Unwanted Same Sex Attraction for Single and

Married Men

The Simple Church desires to help people overcome any issue, struggle, or hang up so we are partnering with Keith McMaster, Christian Counselor with Trinity Counseling, LLC to offer a safe place for men seeking restoration and healing through weekly support group meetings. The time and place of the meetings will be confidential; however, if you genuinely want to overcome this struggle, you can contact Keith McMaster at info@trinitycounselingllc.com or call Trinity Counseling at 318-230-0599. If you are a family member, engaged, dating or married to a man or woman who is striving to overcome this issue, you may also contact Keith. Depending on the response and interest, soon there will be opportunities for you to meet in support groups. Also, groups will not be limited to men who are overcoming this struggle.



KEITH MCMASTERS

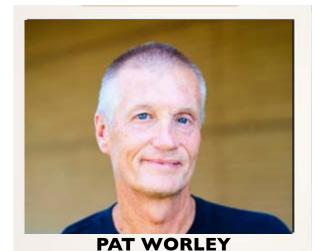
THURS DAY



Day: Thursday Time: 11:30 a.m.
Location: Church Office E-mail: momkoff@aol.com

Topic: Beth Moore - James (women's group)

James, Jesus' own brother, started out as a skeptic. However, one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned this unbeliever into a disciple. Through this study, you will study James' struggles as well as the power of humility and prayer.



Day: Thursday
Location: Church Office

Time: 6:30 a.m.
E-mail: pat@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: The Life You've Always Wanted (men's group)

We desire to grow and know God more, but sometimes we simply hit a roadblock in pursuing that desire. This study encourages us to continue "running the race" and develop spiritual skills that will enable us finish this race well!



CELESTE STEHR

Day: Every other Thursday
Location: Haughton E-n

Time: 6:00 p.m. E-mail: celestes75@hotmail.com

Topic: Unglued (women's group)

What do we do with these raw emotions? Often we stuff them or speak out of them. They control us rather than us controlling them. This study will encourage you to speak truthfully and honestly while also taming damaging emotions. Through Biblical teaching, you will gain understanding of your emotions as well as learn how to respond without regret to others.





ANNE MCCONATHY

Day: Every other Thursday Time: 6:00 p. m.
Location: Haughton E-mail: ahmcc101161@aol.com

Topic: Choose Joy (women's group)

It's easy to be joyful when everything is going wonderfully, but what happens to joy when everything is not great? This study explains the difference between joy and mere happiness and teaches you how to experience lasting joy in Christ rather than momentary happiness.



PERI GILBERT

Day: Every other Thursday Time: 6:00 p. m.

Location: N. Bossier E-mail: peri@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: S.H.A.P.E.

Have you ever wondered what your purpose was? What on earth are you here to do? This study will help you discover fulfillment to those questions. You will have an opportunity to take a deep look at what God has shaped you to do. In learning your shape, you have a chance to serve and maximize the gifts and talents God has provided you!



KIM PUTMAN & STEVE LOWE Day:Thursday Time: 6:30 p.m. (BEGINS FEB. 21ST)

Location: Shreveport E-mail: kim.putman@ymail.com

Topic: Divorce Care

DivorceCare is a support group that helps people through the process of divorce. This groups is designed to help others through this season of their lives through encouragement and building new relationships.

***There will be a cost of \$15 for DivorceCare workbooks

THURSDAY



BILL MCCONATHY

Day: Thursday
Location: Church Office

Time: 6:30 p.m. E-mail: bill@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: Christian (men's group)

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Day: Thursday Location: S. Bossier

Time: 6:30 p.m. E-mail: jessica4436@aol.com

Time: 6:00 P.M.

E-mail: mandi.stonebridgeevents@gmail.com

Topic: Community

Day: Thursday

Location: Haughton

(Location may change to Bossier)

We want to go where "everybody knows our name," but we struggle with taking the first step to being a part of a community that does. Through this study, you have the opportunity to understand God's view of community as well as develop relationships that will build a community of support and hope as you walk through life.



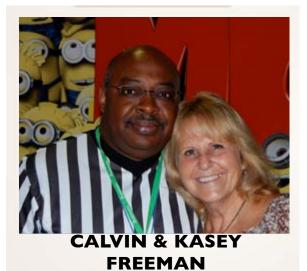
WALDRON

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Day: Thursday Location: Benton

Time: 6:30 p.m.
E-mail: mixnutz@bellsouth.net

Topic: Spiritual Growth

Through this study, you will have an opportunity to grow personally and spiritually along side others in your group. You will be able to build lasting relationships that encourage you through life as well as help you in your walk with Christ.

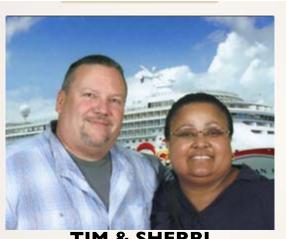


Day: Thursday Till Location: S. Bossier E-mail:

Time: 6:30 p.m.
E-mail: davidj@eagletruck.net

Topic: Overcoming Addiction (Men's Group)

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TIM & SHERRI VAITEKUNAS

Day:Thursday Location: Shreveport

Time: 6:30 p.m.
E-mail: cardswest@comcast.net

Topic: i-Marriage

We all have an idea of what we want marriage to be. Because of these ideas, we place expectations on our spouse which can cause tension in a marriage and will rob a marriage of love and joy. This study explores those expectations and teaches godly truths on how to transform those expectations so that you can have a joy-filled marriage.





KEITH & LORI RHODES

Day: Every other Thursday Location: Haughton

Time: 6:30 p.m. E-mail: keith@thesimplechurch.tv

Topic: Parental Guidance Required

Parenting in the 21st century is a difficult task, but a necessary one. Through this study, you will receive encouragement and hope on your parent journey. You will also receive practical skills on how to be a deliberate Christ like influence in your children's lives no matter the other influences that surround them.

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We, as a staff, are not successful without each other. As a church, we are not successful with out you! Just as we need each other, so you need others in successful with out you! Just as we need each other, so you need others in

your life too!

We want you to know that we value you! Because we want you to succeed want you to know that we value you! Because we want you to succeed a part of a life group! Through personally and spiritually, we want you to be a part of a life group! Through that build strong lasting relationships that build life groups, you have a chance to build strong lasting relationships that building you up! People become an ecouragement for you, and you become an ecouragement for others!

Don't try to build your life alone! Jump in the fun and start building relationships today!

Simply,

The Simple Church Staff

