

# DOING life together

Winter 2024

## Small Groups catalog



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# **Welcome to our** *Small Groups*

## **SUNDAY**

### **Palmer Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 5:45PM @ 29 Briarwood Place**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building  
Heather & AJ Palmer (575) 644-5775

### **McClellan Group**

#### **Young Couples Group**

**Meet: 5:45PM @ Grace in Room 102**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building  
Kandace & Ross McClellan (806) 759-5649 / (575) 840-9903

### **Jimenez Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 5:00PM @ Jimenez Residence**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building  
Peggy & David Jimenez (575) 622-9328

### **Arganbright Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 9:00AM @ Grace in Room 102**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building  
Kenna & Don Arganbright (575) 910-3060 / (575) 910-5886

**Feel free to contact the Group Leader**

# SUNDAY

## **The Breakfast Club Group**

### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 9:00AM @ Grace in Room 105**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building  
Jane A. / Marcia J. (575) 317-6362 / (575) 317-2438

## **The Berry Patch Group**

### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 10:45PM @ Grace in Room 101**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building  
Sharon & Doug Berry (520) 647-1245 / (520) 878-7447

## **Smith / Groh Group**

### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 1:00PM (for location Call the leaders)**

Childcare is not available  
Steve Smith / Ellie Groh (575) 420-2100 / (575) 840-1885

## **Creative Bible Journaling**

### **Connect the Art & God's Word**

**Meet: 2:30PM @ Grace in Room 101**

Childcare is not available  
Sharon Berry (520) 647-1245

## **Lyons Group**

### **Double Misfits**

**Meet: 8:00AM @ Grace in Room 101**

Childcare is not available  
Al Lyons (575) 914-8482

**Feel free to contact the Group Leader**

# MONDAY

## **Sandy Magnon Group**

### **Senior Ladies Group**

**Meet: 1:00PM @ Grace in Room 103**

Childcare is not available

Sandy Magnon (575) 626-4288

## **Monday Morning Women's Bible Study**

### **Ladies Group**

**Meet: 9:00AM @ Grace in Children Building**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building (RSVP)

Teresa McKee (575) 626-7647

## **Monday Ladies Group**

### **Ladies Studying God's Word**

**Meet: 1:30PM @ Grace in Room 102**

Childcare is not available

Denise Allison (575) 626-2403

## **The Popcorn Group**

### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 6:00PM @ 3908 N. Garden**

Childcare is not available (unless you want it to?)

Brenda Lee (575) 637-1169

**Feel free to contact the Group Leader**



## **TUESDAY**

### **Hale Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 12:00PM @ Grace in Room 103**

Childcare is not available

Mary Hale (575) 637-0524

### **Nyhoff Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 12:00PM @ Grace in Room 101**

Childcare is not available

Lillian Nyhoff (575) 420-8499

## **THURSDAY**

### **Micklevitz Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 5:30PM @ 1005 E. Poe St.**

Childcare is not available

Dave & Ginny Micklevitz (575) 626-1500

### **Nora Badgett Group**

#### **Sermon Based Group**

**Meet: 2:00PM Sunny Acres Activity Center**

**1414 S. Union**

Childcare is not available

Nora Badgett (575)-317-4081

**Feel free to contact the Group Leader**

## **FRIDAY**

### **Andrews Group**

#### **Bible Books Studies**

**Meet: 6:00PM @ 2201 Urton Rd**

Childcare is not available

Karen & Mark Andrews (575) 317-7934

## **SATURDAY**

### **The Parent Connection**

#### **Parent Small Group**

**Meet: 10:00AM @ Grace in Children Building**

Childcare is available @ Grace Children's Building

Bobbi Jo & Vince McIntire (970) 629-8951 / (575) 418-7185

**Feel free to contact the Group Leader**

# Why are Small Groups so important?

## **Small groups study God's Word together.**

*"The disciples were devoted to the teachings of the apostles" (Acts 2:42 GW).*

Early small groups studied what would become the Bible. The Bible is the "teachings of the apostles." It's more important to study the Bible together than by ourselves. We get far more out of studying the Bible together than we do by ourselves. More eyes will see things that one person will miss. We all see God's Word with blinders based upon our unique background and perspective. Studying the Bible with other people helps us get past these biases.

## **Small groups practice how to love.**

*"The disciples were devoted . . . to fellowship . . . All the believers kept meeting together, and they shared everything with each other" (Acts 2:42, 44 GW).*

God put us on this planet to learn how to love. Small groups are a laboratory for learning how to do this. You can't learn to love unless you are around people to practice it. Every small group has people who may irritate you. Before you get frustrated with them, remember that God may be using them to teach you about grace and how to love those who are harder to love.

The small group is the laboratory for us to learn relational skills we may have never learned before (but should have). The early church, as they met together in homes, was committed to loving one another through all the problems and pain in life. They were committed to serving and caring for one another. They provided a great model for us in committed love.

## **Small groups eat together.**

*"The disciples were devoted to . . . the breaking of bread . . . They ate their food with joyful and sincere hearts" (Acts 2:42, 46 GW).*

The Bible says the first small groups ate together. Jesus also did much of his teaching while eating. Why? Because, as we eat together "with joyful and sincere hearts," we're relaxed. Tensions drop. Our barriers go down. Food makes for stronger fellowship, making it easier for us to connect with others.



## Small groups pray for one another.

*“They devoted themselves to . . . prayer”* (Acts 2:42 GW).

Knowing others are praying for you is the greatest realization in the world. The first church spent time praying for one another together. I don't know how it works, but I know there's additional power when we pray together.

Jesus told us this in Matthew 18:19-20: “I can guarantee again that if two of you agree on anything here on earth, my Father in heaven will accept it. Where two or three have come together in my name, I am there among them” (GW).

We all need the prayer support that a group of committed believers can provide. We also need people in our lives we can regularly pray for. God created us for an interdependent life where we depend upon the support of God and other people through prayer.

## Small groups help one another.

*“They shared everything with each other”* (Acts 2:45 GW).

Members of these early small groups selflessly served one another. They met practical needs in profound ways. My own small group does this regularly. We bring meals to one another, help people move, and take people to the hospital. I've even gone shopping for people when they've had a specific need.

Whenever we serve someone like this, we're practicing unselfishness. This will be transformational for you. As you go outside of ourselves to serve, God makes you more like Jesus. As small group members serve one another, both the giver and receiver are helped. The receiver gets a need met. The giver grows spiritually as he or she becomes less self-focused.

*Small groups are one of the most powerful tools we have for spiritual development.*



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