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Concord United Small Groups Guide Winter/Spring

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Jesus called the disciples to follow him. Following Jesus is more than something we do, it's a way of being that includes sharing Christ, serving others, and growing in our faith. An important means of following Jesus includes intentional community through small groups.

What are the Types of Small Groups at Concord?

- **Sunday Morning Groups** Meet 10:00-10:50 each Sunday featuring different class formats, sizes, and study topics. All groups are open to anyone.
- Weekday Groups Meet during the week, usually at least twice a month, and feature varying formats, class sizes, and study topics.
- **Short-Term Groups** These may include a special book study or Bible study or have a seasonal focus, offered for a limited time.
- **Community Care Night Groups -** Meet on Wednesdays before or after the Community Care Night dinner and worship time.

How to be part of a Small Group at Concord

The following group descriptions include multiple ways to connect with each small group. Feel free to call or email the Small Group Contacts listed on each page. You can also call the church office at (865) 966-6728, or email Pastor Brooke Hartman at bhartman@concordunited.org.

All groups are open to anyone and the ages or life stages listed for each group should be considered simply as a starting point and not exclusive. To find the best fit, church members and guests alike are encouraged to visit several classes to find the one that best matches their interests, learning style, age, or stage of life.

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PRAYER

If you find yourself with a specific prayer request, please let us know. The church has a team ready and willing to pray for you, no matter the situation. Go to <u>https://concordunited.org/pray/</u> and submit a public prayer request to the church family and pastoral team, or submit a private prayer request for only the pastors.



Sunday Groups

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

This class ranges in ages from young adults through senior adults. We typically discuss the church's current Reading Through the Bible Plan for the preceding week, but sometimes take on other studies for a season. We are a fairly new class, still getting to know one another, with newcomers very welcome!

WHEN: Sundays, 10:05 AM

WHERE: Room 155

CONTACT:

Laura Young laurayoung678@gmail.com (865) 235-4372 Laura McNeil laurarmcneil50@gmail.com (865) 256-6417

BIBLICAL INSIGHTS

This class meets to deepen understanding of Scriptures as related to content, context, and culture and its applicability to life today. The class is intergenerational and all are welcomed to come and grow deeper in their discipleship walk.

For winter and spring, we will be studying the Gospel of Luke, the Return of the Prodigal Son, Questions God Asks Us (Lent study) and the Book of James.

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 50, (Under Sanctuary)

CONTACTS:

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COFFEE WITH DALE (ZOOM)

Multi-generational adults, singles and couples. Topics vary according to interest of the group. We often discuss video presentations or on books. If you cannot attend an in-person class due to travel, caretaking responsibilities, health or other issues, join us in our online community as we grow together in our faith. We encourage open and thoughtful discussion.

Upcoming tudy: The Good and Beautiful Life by James Bryan Smith

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Combination of Zoom and Skybox/Room 244.

CONTACTS:

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Sunday Groups

FOUNDATIONS

Retired group with diverse social, religious and life viewpoints. Utilizes its own class members for teaching subjects of interest and topics ranging from Old and New Testament subjects as well as current topics of interest and application for all Christians.

WHEN: Sundays at 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 190 (2nd floor over Preschool in Music/West wing)

CONTACTS:

Bob Brooks brooks6860@att.net (615) 707-2481 Lloyd Collins lcollins@tds.net (865) 919-6266

PATHFINDERS

This is the longest ongoing class at Concord United, and is a group of Christ followers made up of mostly senior adults (singles, widows and couples) trying to help one another follow well and draw closer to God. The group covers various Bible and topical studies, with a series of guest speakers or group volunteers facilitating. We love meeting new people, visitors always welcome.

WHEN: Sundays at 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 147 (1st Floor of Worship Center)

CONTACTS:

Delores Hummel dhummel1@charter.net (865) 679-5499

NEW VISIONS

The New Visions class is a multi-generational discussion-based group which alternates studies of the Bible and contemporary issues. It is led by Jack Wilson, a retired college professor with a Ph. D. in New Testament, He uses the historical-critical method employed in colleges, seminaries, and graduate schools.

Current Study: Concluding the study of Living the Questions: The Wisdom of Progressive Christianity and begin the study of Jesus's parables.

WHEN: Sundays at 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 153 (CADES Hallway) & Zoom

CONTACTS:

Bob Brantley opa773@aol.com (407) 963-1808 James Remont jremont@aol.com (865) 201-0656

COMMITMENTS

This group consists of couples who are empty-nesters. We use various DVD bible-based studies. Authors we enjoy: Adam Hamilton, Kyle Idleman and John Ortberg. We share the responsibilities of teaching each week. We enjoy a Sunday class breakfast every few months. In addition to meeting each week, we try to socialize outside of Church every other month or so. We do not meet in the Summer.

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 54 (Under Sanctuary)

CONTACTS:

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Our Path: The Way Forward

Our Path moves us forward in Sharing Christ. Serving Others. Growing in Faith. Our Path meets for 5 weeks and uses the book A Disciple's Path to guide our next steps in following Jesus in concrete ways. This group is a next step following Connect: To God and Concord. This group focuses on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus and living as disciples through prayer, presence, giving, serving, and witnessing. This group is led by Roxanna Jones and Pastor Brooke Hartman.

WHEN: 10:00-10:50am WHERE: Fellowship Hall (Room 159) DATES: February 25, March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24

Rooted: In Scripture and Prayer

Rooted in an introductory group about reading the Bible inductively and our foundational beliefs and practices about prayer. Rooted is a four-week group. The group is a next step following Our Path. Rooted includes concrete tools for reading Scripture and praying. This group is led by Pastor Brooke Hartman. This group can be taken in sequence with CORE or as a one-time group.

DATES: January 21, January 28, February 4, February 11 May 5, May 12, May 19, May 26

Engaging: The Head and the Heart

Our history and theology is deeply rooted in John Wesley and Methodism. Engaging: The Head and the Heart discusses the history and theology of John Wesley and the United Methodist Church. This group is a four week group. This group is led by our pastors. This group can be taken in sequence with CORE or as a one-time group.

DATES: April 7, April 14, April 21, April 28

CONTACT: Pastor Brooke Hartman, bhartman@concordunited.org

Sunday Groups

WOMEN SEEKING WISDOM

Women Seeking Wisdom is a discussion-based group for women (single, married, divorced, or widowed) seeking to grow in faith using the Bible and Bible-based studies and videos. We gather every other month for food, fun and fellowship activities.

Upcoming Studies: Short Stories by Jesus (Amy-Jill Levine) and Questions Jesus Asked (Magrey deVega)

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 174

CONTACTS:

Kay Harper <rharper720@comcast.net (865) 693-6908 (865) 806-2473 Glenda Ramsey Glenda.Ramsey@hotmail.com (865) 850-3982

PARENTING CONNECTION

Parenting Connection is open to any parents interested in connecting with others while navigating the joys and bumps in the road of raising kids. This group explores the Word though sermon series studies, book studies, and open discussion. We aim to grow in the Spirit, grow as parents and people, and walk out or faith together in fellowship. We welcome anyone new to Concord who wants to "try on" a small group and if it's not the right fit, we want to help you find the best place to get connected.

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 55 (Under Sanctuary)

CONTACT:

Jenny Gergely jennygergely@gmail.com (509) 222-0378

Kathryn Mosby kathrynomosby@gmail.com (229) 339-0936

PARENTS OF YOUTH

Parents of Youth is a group-led class that is open to all caregivers navigating the growing challenges of parenting teens and older children in a fastpaced world. Studies include parenting with technology, churchwide seasonal studies, and a variety of topics viewed through the perspective of parenting tweens, teens and beyond.

WHEN: Sundays, 10:05 AM WHERE: Room 246

CONTACTS:

Kristen Hicks kbow97@gmail.com (423) 329-8901 Susan Benedetti suz226788@gmail.com (865) 839-0492



Following the Jesus is about living a life of sharing Christ, serving others, and growing in faith. CORE is a pathway of learning and engaging in our core beliefs and practices at Concord United Methodist Church. There are four components to CORE: Connect, Our Path, Rooted, and Engaging. You may participate in each component in sequence or one at a time. Our hope is that CORE provides you with concrete ways to share Christ, serve others, and grow in faith as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Goals of CORE

- Introduce CORE beliefs we have as Christians and at Concord United
- · Provide concrete next steps to share Christ, serve others, and grow in faith

CORE Language

- Disciple a person who shares Christ, serves others and grows in faith
- Share Christ sharing our knowledge and experiences with Jesus Christ with others
- Serve Others serving others both within and outside the walls of church, including within our daily interactions and organized events
- Growing in Faith intentional daily practices of reading scripture, prayer, connection to a small group, and opportunities to learn and live faithfully
- · Core Beliefs foundational beliefs as disciples of Jesus Christ
- Next Steps Actions to take next as we seek to share Christ, serve others, and grow in faith.

Connect: To God and Concord

(Formerly known as Connect to Concord)

Connect to God and Concord is a four-week group that introduces persons to what we believe about God and the mission and vision of Concord United Methodist Church. This group is for persons new to Concord, those who are looking for a group to connect with, and parents who want to participate in a group that is covering material covered in Confirmation. This group will discuss the mission and vision of Concord, the history of the church, Methodism, and Concord, learn about what we believe about God, and interact with the various ministries at Concord. This group is led by our pastors and staff.

WHEN: 10:00-10:50am
DATES: January 28, February 4, February 11, February 18 April 14, April 21, April 28, May 5
WHERE: Fellowship Hall (Room 159)
CONTACT: Pastor Brooke Hartman, bhartman@concordunited.org

SHORT-TERM GROUPS

TUESDAY STUDY GROUP

Living the Sermon on the Mount Together

Join together in this 6-week study based on Jesus' most famous teaching, the Sermon on the Mount, and learn what it means for a faith community to put into practice his profound words. No text is needed, but a notebook of the study will be available beginning the week of January 1 for \$5 outside Pastor Brook's office.

WHEN: January 9 – Februrary 13, 12:00-1:30 PM WHERE: Worship Center CONTACT: Glenna Manning for any questions, revmanning@gmail.com. Register at concordunited.org/events.

LENT STUDY

Adam Hamilton's Book Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws

Explore the life of Jesus as told in the Gospel of Luke where we find Jesus's care and compassion for all as he welcomes sinners and outcasts. The book by Adam Hamilton will be available for purchase at a cost of \$10.

WHEN: February 20 – April 2, from 12:00-1:30 WHERE: Worship Center Classroom CONTACT: Becca Means, bmeans@concordunited.org. Register at concordunited.org/events.

DEEPLY ROOTED STUDY

Deeply Rooted is Concord's focus on reading the Bible inductively. Open to persons new to reading the Bible as well as those who have been reading the Bible for a while. Pastor Brooke Hartman leads this group. A binder with handouts and a copy of the NIV translations will be provided for a cost of \$5 to cover materials. Register at <u>concord-united.org/events</u>.

Studies and Dates:

- Exodus: Wednesdays, Jan. 10 February 7
- Luke (Lent): Wednesdays, February 14 March 27
- Romans: Wednesdays, April 10 May 22

WHEN: Wednesdays, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
WHERE: Worship Center Classroom, Room 144
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Sunday Groups

PARENTING WITH FAITH

Married and single parents with children PreK to teenagers seeking a deeper understanding of God's Word though the application of Christian discipleship and fellowship. Family challenges are shared in a safe environment and wisdom gained from one another. Studies rotate every 4-6 weeks covering topics such as contemporary issues, family life and parenting, and spiritual growth. We encourage and welcome new participants to join us at any time.

Upcomning Studies: Owning a Faith That Matters by Matt Tullos; Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws by Adam Hamilton *(Lent)*; Christ-Centered Parenting -Gospel Conversations on Complex Cultural Issues by Russell Moore and Phillip Bethacourt

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 52 (Under Sanctuary)

CONTACTS:

Ben Stolt bstolt@tencarva.com (423) 774-3607 Diana Stolt dianastolt@gmail.com (423) 774-3606

FAITHFUL DISCIPLES

This is a peer-led group that studies a variety of Christian literature and topics. Typical series study lasts 4-6 weeks and are led by volunteers from the class. Couples and singles 55+.

Studies may include books of the Bible; books and short-studies by contemporary Christian authors such as Adam Hamilton, Max Lucado, Phillip Yancey, and Will Willimon; and review of Christian history and theology. The class has used video series available through Right Now Media which provides access to many Christian lecturers and leaders.

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 56 (Under Sanctuary)

CONTACTS:

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COMMUNITY CARE GROUPS

Good Grief: Support for Healing

Navigating life after loss can feel impossible and isolating, but you are not alone. This peer-facilitated group meets weekly to share our honest experiences and find hope together. We welcome anyone dealing with grief and loss, including death, divorce, health diagnoses, infertility, job loss, life stage transitions, and more. We will explore different ways to find healing as we carry our grief forward.

WHEN: Wednesdays, 7:00 PM WHERE: Room 190 CONTACT: Kathryn Mosby, kathrynomosby@gmail.com

Loved Ones Together

Loved Ones Together is a structured open share group for loved ones of those who are in active addiction or in active recovery. The group is peer-led.

WHEN: Wednesdays, 7:00-7:45 PM WHERE: Room 174 CONTACT: Pastor Brooke Hartman, bhartman@concordunited.org

All Recovery Men's Group

All Recovery Men's group is a safe place to share our experience, strength and hope related to our own addictions, our loved one's addiction, our codependency, and our losses.

WHEN: Wednesdays, 7:00 PM WHERE: Room 155 CONTACT: Pastor Brooke Hartman, bhhartman@concordunited.org

COMMUNITY CARE NIGHT



Community Care Night is a coming together to eat, fellowship, worship, and share. The evening includes a free meal, worship, community small groups, and children and student activities.

There are multiple ways to engage in small groups Wednesday evenings. This fall we are adding these opportunities prior to our free meal and worship.

WHEN: Wednesdays

Early Small Groups: Meal: 5:30 - 6:30 PM Worship: 6:30 - 7:00 PM Small Groups: 7:00 - 7:45 PM

WHERE: Worship Center

COMMUNITY CARE GROUPS

Early Bird Special Group

Book study to grow your faith. All ages are welcome. The group is studying the book *A Layman Looks at The Lord's Prayer* by W. Phillip Keller this fall. In this study you will explore each phrase of Matthew 6:9-13. This study will help you grow closer to God through prayer and study.

Goup will resume meeting the 2nd Wednesday in March

WHEN: Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 PM, WHERE: Room 145

CONTACT:

Melodie Knight stampermjk@comcast.net (865) 207-3938

Sunday Groups

ZOOM GROUP

Started during Covid, this group of 5-6 of us meets for one hour online to discuss a prompt, discuss what's happening in our lives, and pray for each other.

WHEN: Every other Monday, 7:00 PM WHERE: Online via Zoom

CONTACT:

Megan Fields mfields1@utk.edu (865) 384-5425

FRIENDSHIP

Varied ages, but mainly older adults. The group has been together many years, but is always excited to welcome new people. The members do an excellent job of ministering to each other.

WHEN: Sundays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 196 (2nd floor over Preschool in Music/West wing)

CONTACTS:

Lynda Newton (865) 385-6558 lyndalnewton@yahoo.com Tom Warnick (865) 393-2422 gtwarnick@tds.net

SEARCHERS

The Searchers is composed primarily of retired active adults, but welcomes members of all ages. A curriculum committee determines the variety of speakers and studies that we use each year. This is a class that enjoys discussion and appreciates a variety of points of view.

Guests speakers for Winter and Spring include Roxanna Jones, Rev. Bill Kilday, Diane Bailes, Rev. Sabine Collins, Rev. Mike Stallings, Rev. Gordon Ridenour, as well as class members.

WHEN: Sundays at 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 145 (Across from Worship Center)

CONTACTS:

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OTHER GROUPS

UNITED METHODIST MEN

The United Methodist Men meet the first Sunday of the month in the Fellowship Hall at 7:45 for breakfast and program.

UMM also provide opportunities for service by doing building maintenance and update tasks. We also support other groups such as CADES and The Preschool as well as the Children's and Students' programs. We also coordinate Concord United's construction of Habitat for Humanity homes and host the Annual HFH Golf Tournament.

CONTACTS:

Chuck Parmele parmelecc@aol.com (865) 414-4463 Terry Taylor (281) 705-5180

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

We seek to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

Deborah – First Monday of the month at 4 PM, Room 190. Contact: Brenda Fields, 865-556-1159 or Donna Stock, 865-705-5343

Love and Laughter – First Tuesday of the month at 7 PM, The Studio (above the Worship Center)

Contact: Laura McNeil, 865-256-6417 or Jennifer Anderson, 865-679-6853

Susannah Wesley – Fourth Wednesday of the month at 9:45 AM, Room 147. Contact: Jane Hudson, 865-318-1897

Moms on a Mission (MoMs) – Fridays from 10:30 AM – Noon, Room 196. Contact: Amy Sexton, 931-980-7528

Rebecca/Sarah (Emerita) – Meets at Park Place Senior Living on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 AM in the Library. Contact: Janie Wendelken 865-680-2124

Weekday Groups: THUR & FRI

MOMS GROUP

This group encourages moms at all stages to grow in faith through Bible study, fellowship and service opportunities. We aim to seek God's guidance and support one another as sisters in Christ.

Morning Moms Group will study women of the Old Testament for Winter 2023, building toward a spring study on Jesus' views of women in the New Testament. Evening Moms Group is currently exploring spiritual disciplines and how they shape our faith.

WHEN: • Thursday evenings

6:30-8:00 PM, 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month

Friday mornings

10:30 AM-12:00 PM, Follows KCS calendar. Childcare provided.

WHERE: • Thursday evenings in Room 242, "The Coffee House" • Friday mornings Room 196 (2nd floor over Preschool)

CONTACT:

THURSDAY

Becca Means bmeans@concordunited.org (865) 712-8145 Andrea Schlomer schlomer2440@gmail.com (205) 242-0417

FRIDAY

Leighanna Colgrove leighanna.colgrove@yahoo.com (828) 735-4987 Jenny Gergely jennygergely@gmail.com (509) 222-0378

KNIT ONE CROCHET TWO

From beginner to advance, if you want to learn to knit or crochet, we can show you! We work on Prayer Shawls for church members and friends of church. We also knit items to sell at the church craft fair in November. The best part of this growing group is the friendships that are developed between different ages.

WHEN: Fridays, 10:00 AM WHERE: Room 147 CONTACT: Joan DeTar, (865) 966-6728

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Sunday Groups

MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group is comprised of men of all ages seeking connection and community rooted in God. Each meeting includes time in both larger and smaller group settings. The gatherings cover topics ranging from relationships, parenting, and family to career success, money, and self-improvement. The purpose of this group is to become a better spouse, parent, friend, co-worker, etc. This is an opportunity to share frustrations and anxieties, find fulfillment in your life, discover success, and receive direction from others through their experiences in a Christ-like setting.

WHEN: 1st & 3rd Sundays, 5:00 PM WHERE: Worship Center

CONTACT:

Chas Means charlesmeans0000@yahoo.com (865) 237-6422

Weekday Groups: MONDAY

MORNING GLORIES

Group has devotions shared by members. Time spent sharing and supporting one another. Provides mini-mission projects and local field trips together.

WHEN: Twice a Month, 10:00 AM WHERE: Individual homes, McFee Park, Riverside Coffee

CONTACT:

Cynthia Hudson hudsoncs@charter.net (875) 363-5817

KNOWING GOD MORE

Group discussions via Zoom follow the **Grow Through the Bible** reading plan. An in-depth study is facilitated by the group leader with participant interaction support. Currently, members are all retired with both singles and couples. We are not limited to older adults and welcome input from a younger generation.

WHEN: Mondays 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM WHERE: Online via Zoom, Meeting ID: 848 7973 4910 Passcode - John3:16

CONTACT:

Sabrina Smith-Holbrook sabrina.smith@tds.net (865) 805-9347 Norma Smith normasmith1938@icloud.com (865) 254-0977

Weekday Groups: THURSDAY

THURSDAY COFFEE TALK

Small group of women of various ages who meet weekly and participate in a Bible Study. We choose a book together to study and focus on or choose relevant topics to discuss.

WHEN: Thursdays, 9:00-10:00 AM WHERE: Empty Cup, Center 9111, Executive Park Drive

CONTACT: Jennifer Anderson hkitty_65@yahoo.com (865) 679-6853

SOUL SISTERS

A group of ladies that like to grow in faith through Bible and book studies. We love to share stories and laugh together.

Upcoming Study: January 11 – Wrestling with Doubt Finding Faith, by Adam Hamilton

WHEN: Thursdays, 10:00-11:15 AM WHERE: Room 196

CONTACT:

Joan De Tar jdetar@concordunited.org (865) 719-0661

FAITHFUL FRIENDS

This group of "Baby Boomers" is a faith-based support group who provide care and encouragement through the various stages of life. We share experiences and lift up one another through life's transitions such as retirement, empty-nesting, caretaking, health concerns, and family life. We rotate leadership of the meeting and also celebrate dinner together every fifth Thursday.

We have a point to ponder each week developed by the leaders for that week.

WHEN: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6:00-7:30 PM WHERE: Room 145

CONTACTS: Robin Manning irmanning1953@gmail.com (865) 670-0540

Gary Kuhn gkuhn12161@gmail.com (865) 621-9099

Weekday Groups: WEDNESDAY

PROJECT LINUS AT CONCORD

Project Linus provides security and comfort to children in need through the gift of a homemade blanket. Our group adds an additional layer of a blessing to each blanket before donation. Our blankets are distributed by Project Linus of East TN at facilities like East TN Children's Hospital and community agencies serving children in difficult situations.

All skill levels are welcome. Materials for sewing, knitting and crocheting are available to get you started.

WHEN: First Wednesdays each month, 5:00 PM WHERE: Room 59

CONTACT: LeighAnna Colgrove leighanna.colgrove@yahoo.com (865) 966-1259



Weekday Groups: THURSDAY

JOYFUL

Women gathering to share life and faith through a meal, study, prayer and lots of laughter. We are in the second phase of life with grown children and grandchildren and are married, divorced or widowed. We always have room for one more.

WHEN: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:00-8:00 PM WHERE: Room 243

CONTACTS:

Laura Gac gacl123@verizon.net (703) 615-6401 Judy Johnson jjohnson@gmail.com (865) 223-1120

Weekday Groups: MONDAY

JESUS IS CALLING – OPEN SHARE GROUP

Join us for our 12 Step Recovery Open Share Group for those struggling. We pull life-changing content from AA, NA, Celebrate Recovery and, most importantly, the Holy Bible as the foundation for this group. The focus is on our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who we know is our one true higher power. As a community, we share our experiences, strength, and hope in our daily walk with Him.

WHEN: Monday Nights at 6 PM WHERE: Fellowship Hall

CONTACTS:

Liz and Bill Powers (865) 671-4924

MEN'S PLAY & PRAY

This small group of men meets weekly to play basketball and get some great exercise. Our group has a wide age range and basketball skill level, but we come together to join in prayer and great sportsmanship.

WHEN: Monday Nights at 6:30 PM WHERE: Gym

CONTACTS:

Jason Wood (865) 389-1364

Weekday Groups: TUESDAY

FUN & FAITHFUL

Midlife and mature adults who enjoy each others company and studying interesting Christian books. New participants are welcome.

WHEN: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 6:00 PM WHERE: Room 145 (across from Worship Center)

CONTACTS:

Delmas Franklin delmas11@bellsouth.net (706) 266-9580 Carol Franklin carol1538@bellsouth.net (706) 346-2019

WELCOMING WOMEN

Christian women who consider faith to be a central part of our lives. We read and discuss books to broaden our worldview of Christianity. This group values a "safe place" for all members with shared leadership.

WHEN: Tuesdays, every two weeks 4:00-5:30 PM WHERE: Individual homes

CONTACT:

Glenna Manning revmanning@gmail.com (865) 679-3763

TUESDAY WOMEN'S GROUP

Women of all ages growing in faith through fellowship, scripture, and Christian book studies. New members welcome.

Current Study: Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgs

WHEN: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 6:30 PM WHERE: Room 147 (Across from Worship Center)

CONTACT: Becky Bishop ladyicing@aol.com 15 (865) 591-4058

Weekday Groups: TUESDAY

YOUNG ADULTS

Life and faith can be an adventure for those between the ages of 18-25. These adventures are exciting, challenging, mysterious, and best shared with others who are also adventuring! This group will get together to share stories, learn from each other, teach each other, and experience God together during this exciting time of life. All are welcome, and we mean ALL! Church friends, non-church friends, believers, spiritually curious, and those who are looking for a safe space to have fun and have serious discussion.

WHEN: Tuesdays, 6:00 PM WHERE: Panera Bread in Bearden, 4855 Kingston Pike

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This group of "Baby Boomers" consider ourselves to be a faith-based and life support group who provide care and encouragement through the various stages of life. We share experiences and lift up one another through life's transitions such as preparing for retirement, the empty-nest, caretaking of parents, health concerns and family life. We rotate leadership of the meeting and also celebrate dinner together every fifth Thursday.

We have a point to ponder each week developed by the leaders for that week.and have serious discussion.

WHEN: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 6:00 PM WHERE: Room 243

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