

A relationship with God is the starting point on the pathway, then our relationship with our church closely follows. Connecting together with others in this journey of faith is vital to our spiritual growth. We're not talking about a relationship with a religious system; we are talking about doing life together as followers of Jesus. We need the friendship, accountability, and encouragement of others around us and God wants to use us to invest in others as well! Beyond the weekend services and large group gatherings, we have Life Groups, smaller groups of people connected because of a common season of life or interest. So, go ahead. Connect together. Here are some possible next steps:

1. Pray. Take a look at this pamphlet and ask God where the right connection(s) are for you.

2. Attend. Attend the Welcome to Grace event held the first Sunday of each month from 9:45-10:30am in the main building, upper level, Rm. 201.

3. Participate. Get involved with a Life Group. Some meet year round, some for defined seasons, and yet others meet for specific events.

4. Get Involved. Join a ministry team organizing a Life Group. Become a part of helping others connect and benefit from Life Groups.

There are three easy ways to let us know where you are interested in connecting together: email [gracecentral@graceweb.tv](mailto:gracecentral@graceweb.tv), call the church office at 618.234.5910, or fill out a flap online or in one of our services!

## LIFE GROUPS BY AGES

### GRACE BABIES (newborn to 23 mos.)

Grace Babies is the nursery ministry of Grace Church and teaches babies about God through lessons based on sensory stimulation and repetition.

### GRACE TODDLERS (24 mos. to 3 yrs.)

Grace Toddlers is the toddler ministry of Grace Church that teaches 2-3 year olds about God through lessons based on Bible games and craft creations.

### GRACE JR. KIDS (Ages 4-5 yrs.)

Grace Jr. Kids is the Pre-K & Kindergarten ministry of Grace Church and teaches this group about God through lessons based on hands-on learning and social interaction.

### GRACE KIDS

Grace Kids is the elementary ministry of Grace Church and teaches about God through high energy music, illustrated lessons and multimedia presentations.

### GRACEONEIGHTY (6-12th grade)

Grace Oneighty is a place for Jr. and Sr. High Students to come just as they are and belong. No matter your situation or circumstance, Grace Oneighty is a place for you.

### TRANSIT (Ages 18-29)

Located in the Grace Oneighty building on Thursday nights beginning at 7pm, Transit is a ministry for individuals between the ages of 18 and 29. This ministry includes weekly gatherings as well as monthly special events.

### YOUNG MARRIEDS (Ages 18-35)

Fellowship for married adults.

## HARMONY

Harmony is our singles group for single adults ages 30+. This group meets regularly for fellowships & bible studies.

### SEEKERS (Ages 60+)

Grace Seekers is a group still seeking the will of God in their lives. They meet monthly for lunches and short trips.

## LIFE GROUPS BY INTEREST

### HOME TEAMS

The purpose of Home Teams is to connect members and attendees to others and to the life of Grace Church, while helping them apply basic biblical principles to their everyday lives. Success in a Home Team is:

- Creating an irresistible environment where people can be transparent about real-life issues
- Members maturing in their walk with Christ.
- Experiencing the power of God through answered prayer.
- Growing the group by inviting others.
- Multiplying the group to ensure a place for everyone.
- People connecting to and becoming a part of the life of Grace Church.
- People investing in the lives of others.

### GRACE WOMEN

Grace Women is the ministry of Grace Church for girls 18-98. Grace has a number of ministry and discipleship opportunities available for women of any age or lifestage. Let's set our hearts on drawing closer to God and to each other! We want to connect with you and connect you to the right fit for you and your family.

## FIRST LOVE

A worship service just for the girls! Come join us on the first Monday evening of each month as we enjoy exciting worship and a challenging word. Childcare will be available at 6:30p and the service begins at 7p.

### CHICK NITE

Grace Women host Chick Nite twice a year to just step out and have some fun! The events are free to all! A great time to connect with the gals here at Grace and a perfect time to invite all your friends! Free goodies to eat and lots of fun and laughter!

### MOMMY-TO-BE MINISTRY

As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you...Isaiah 66:13a. We are excited when families are expecting new bundle of joy to their family! We also look forward to sharing this time with you. During the time surrounding the birth of your baby, we would love to help out with meals, childcare, transportation and just being there for you!

### MEN'S MINISTRY

The Commissioning is a public commitment to God and your family that involves working through 9 books with study guides as well as accountability with other men.

### MOPS

MOPS is an acronym for Mothers of Pre-schoolers and is a program

designed to encourage mothers through relationships and resources. MOPS is open to any mother of a preschooler, infant through kindergarten, as well as expecting mothers. MOPS meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:30am from Sept. - May.

“Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”

Acts 2:46-47

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