

Life Groups

Meeting weekly in a neighborhood near you!

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Ice Breaker

Use one of the following questions to open up discussion (if you have first-time guests, be sure to have people tell their names as they answer the ice-breaker question.)

- 1 Go around and let everyone introduce themselves, share how they came to Life Church and a little about their past.
- 2 What were you doing 20 yrs ago? 10 yrs ago? 1 yr ago?
- 3 If your group is large, have everyone break into pairs with someone they don't know. Find out where each other is from, what they do and something interesting about their life. Get everyone back together and introduce your partner to the group.

Life Church's Mission

To honor God and advance His Kingdom by building disciples who will give their lives to change the world.

Upcoming Events

Super Bowl Party: Sunday night (Feb 7th) we will NOT have service at Life Church Plainfield. Instead we will be hosting a Super Bowl party at Indy West starting at 6PM. Encourage your group to attend this. It'll be a great time to get to know each other better. Everyone is asked to bring some food and Life Church will provide the drinks.

Life Groups Still Open: It's not too late to invite others to join your group. Encourage your group to invite others (even if they don't attend Life Church) that they think might enjoy in being part of your group.

Rock & Worship Roadshow: The Rock & Worship Roadshow will be held at Consecro on **Thursday, March 18**. This is going to be an amazing evening of music and worship to benefit children with juvenile diabetes via "Imagine A Cure" as well as Compassion International. The cast for this evening will include **Mercy Me, David Crowder Band, Family Force 5, Francesca Battistelli, Fee, Remedy Drive, and Sidewalk Prophets** and all for a general admission ticket of \$10. **Jennifer Wright** is gathering 70 volunteers for this event. This may be a great event to serve at with your Life Group. Contact Jennifer for more details: jaw714@gmail.com, 317-640-2258.

Example Schedule for 1st Meeting

Not sure what to do your first group? Below is an example of what a first group meeting might look like. Remember, the goal for your first time together is to make people feel comfortable, allow people to meet others and make them want to come back. The majority of your time in this group will be letting people get to know each other and laying foundations for future groups.

- Everyone arrives, socialize and eat snacks (10 min)
- Get everyone together. Welcome everyone, talk about group, syllabus and **Life Group agreement** (15 min)
- Icebreaker (25 min)
- Study & Discussion (30 min)
- Prayer Time - this may be done as a group or by breaking into smaller groups/pairs (10 min)



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Study/prayer time: *Please feel free to adjust this study to fit your group's needs and to God's leading. It is not necessary to use all of the questions.*

1. Share with the group (or break into groups of three if you have a large group) what you hope to get out of your Life Group each week.

2. The Bible tells us that our lives should not be lived in isolation or by ourselves, but in the context of community and relationships with others. We are created in God's image, and one aspect of God is that he desires relationship with us his children. In the same way He's created us to be connected to other people. In the New Testament there are over 50 "one another" statements where we are encouraged how to live with "one another." We'll have the opportunity in the context of our Life Group to live these out... let's look at just a few together.

Have some different people in your group look up and read the following "one another" scriptures: Romans 12:10, Romans 14:13, Galatians 5:13, Ephesians 4:2, Ephesians 4:32. *(be sensitive to those that may not be comfortable with finding scripture in their Bibles, don't 'force' anyone to read)*

3. Did anything stand out to you from any of these verses? How can we best live out these verses in our group?

4. What are some of the things that make it difficult to live out these verses together?

Prayer Time: Give people an opportunity to share any prayer requests they might have. Pray for these requests as a group and also pray for your group in the upcoming semester.