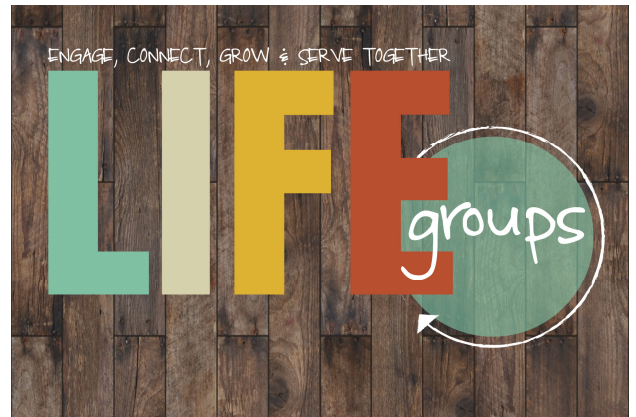


CONNECTIONS

Life Groups Newsletter: Issue 2



Welcome!

Welcome to the winter issue of the Life Groups Newsletter! This is our primary communication format for sharing information about upcoming opportunities for Life Groups leaders and members. These could include opportunities in the areas of Engage, Connect, Grow, and Serve as well as equipping opportunities for leaders. It is also a place to compile and share resources. If you have a resource or information to share to equip other Life Groups, please send me a message: Janice.kominski@saumc.net. Thanks for reading! Love in Christ, Janice

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Group Link: February 10, 5-7p.m.

On Saturday, February 10 from 5-7p.m. we'll host the second SAUMC Group Link event. Group Link is an opportunity for interested people to come together in a slightly swanky environment to learn more about Life Groups, meet new and continuing Life Group leaders and members, and get connected into groups. It's a dinner event (comprised of appetizers and desserts) with tablecloths, candles, and childcare provided with reservations. Guests bring a dish to share as we mix and mingle in a transformed Family Life Center. Drinks and some foods are provided. Registration is open now: <https://www.saumc.net/life-groups!>

New Groups & Leader Equipping Sessions

New Life Groups are forming now! Do you know someone who is interested in getting plugged in? Has your group grown so large that you are ready to multiply? Prospective new members can attend Group Link; prospective or existing leaders can benefit from a Life Group Leader Equipping session: either Sunday, February 4 at 12:30p.m. or Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 6p.m. in DH 425. Please contact Janice.kominski@saumc.net for more info.

Life Groups Basics: Essential Elements

No matter whether your group is an age-stage group, a regional group, an affinity group, or a mission group, remember the Essential Elements of this special format of Christian community:

Hope in Jesus Christ and in God!

Motivating each other

Serving each other and community

Meet regularly and reliably

Encourage and **support** one another



Being attentive to these Essential Elements will help your group knit together in meaningful ways and experience the unique richness of living in Christian community. Enjoy the journey together!

Planning Ahead:

Opportunities to serve as a group

2/11/18-2/18/18
Family Promise

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