

A BRAND NEW
MINISTRY
OPPORTUNITY
FOR OUR YOUTH...

SMALL GROUPS
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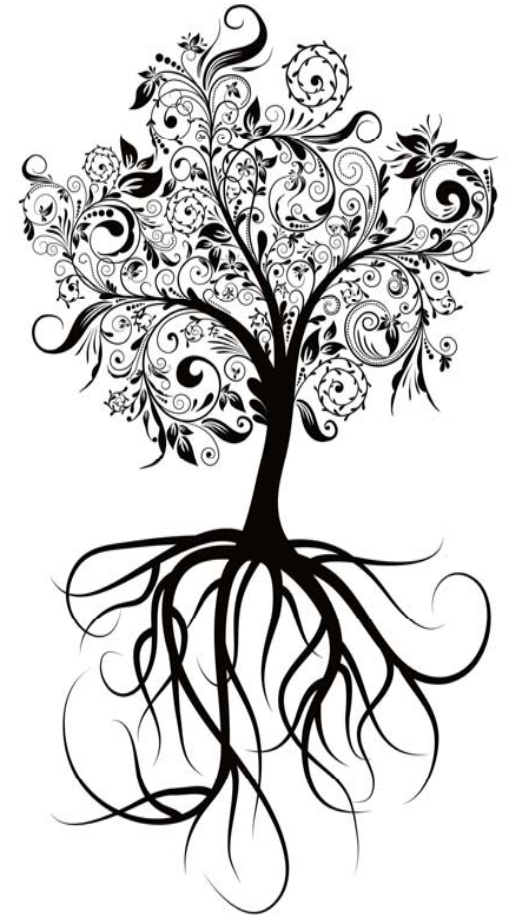
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ARE YOU READY TO GROW?

Small Groups are an awesome opportunity for your student to get connected with other students in our youth ministry and to grow deeper in their relationship with God! That's why we are introducing Grow Groups, a new small group ministry. Here is a look at how the program works:



WHAT ARE SMALL GROUPS?

Small Groups are groups of students (same gender and grade) who meet weekly with 2 adult leaders. It is a time filled with Bible study, prayer, fellowship, accountability, and a whole lot of fun!



WHEN AND WHERE DO THEY MEET?

Grow Groups will take the place of our Sunday night U-Turn gatherings and will meet weekly except for the 1st Sunday of the month when we have an Event Night. There's some flexibility to when and where groups will meet. Groups can meet at the church, a home or even a restaurant! Also, groups can choose the day and time that works best for everyone. We have created Grow Groups to help students connect with one another, and at the same time, give them the opportunity to grow closer to God and study His Word.

WHAT KINDS OF THINGS WILL WE BE STUDYING?

Being involved with a small group will be an awesome time to grow closer to God. What better way to do that than by reading and studying the Bible! Students will get the chance to read and study about: biblical community, God's love, honesty, prayer, spending time with God, when pain leads to gain and much more! These lessons will be similar to what we have taught on Sunday nights this past fall.



WHAT DOES A TYPICAL SMALL GROUP TIME LOOK LIKE?

A typical Grow Group time will look something like this:

- **Welcome and hang-out time**
- **Game/Ice-breaker**
- **Bible study/Discussion**
- **Prayer & Requests**
- **Snack/Hang-out time**

Each group varies depending on the leader. Each of our adult volunteers follow the same curriculum and outline for the small group time, but each group has its own flavor.



WHAT ABOUT MY LEADER?

Our Grow Groups have incredible, trained, adult volunteers, ready to serve and teach our students. From college aged students to parents, we have a dedicated team of volunteers! Our Grow Group Leaders are there to encourage, teach, guide, and help students strengthen their walks with Christ. It may turn out to be one of the most significant relationships of a student's life.



HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

On Sunday, December 12th during Sunday School we will have a Grow Groups Rally (AND breakfast!) in the Jr. and Sr. High rooms. The leaders will be present and each student will have the opportunity to find out who their leader will be and sign up then.



WHEN WILL THEY START?

Grow Groups will start with dinner and a "get to know your leader" night on Sunday, January 9th 6:00pm – 7:30pm. After dinner, groups will discuss when and where to meet, sign a Grow Groups Covenant and get to know each other. The following week all groups will begin!