

Strategic Prayer Focus

Each of you in the group is to identify two or three people who don't have a relationship with God yet. Write down the names of those people and pray for them weekly. We recommend you keep this list in your Bible so when you read during the week you remember to pray for these people.

1. I pray, God, that you draw _____ to yourself. (John 6:44)
2. I pray that _____ will seek to know you. (Acts 17:27)
3. I pray that _____ will hear and believe the Word of God. (1 Thess. 2:13)
4. I ask you to prevent Satan from blinding _____ to the truth. (2 Corinthians 4:4, 2 Timothy 2:25-26)
5. Holy Spirit, I ask you to convict _____ of his/her sin and his/her need for Christ's redemption. (John 16:7-11)
6. I ask you to send someone who will share the gospel with _____. (Matthew 9:37-38)
7. I also ask that you give me (and/or my fellow disciple) the opportunity, the courage, and the right words to share with _____. (Ephesians 6:19-20, Colossians 4:3-6)
8. Lord, I pray that _____ will turn from his/her sin. (Acts 17:30-31, 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10)
9. Lord, I pray that _____ would put all of his/her trust in Christ. (John 1:12, 5:24)
10. Lord, I pray that _____ will confess Christ as Lord of his/her life, that his/her faith would take root and grow, and that he/she would bear much fruit for your glory. (Luke 8:15, Romans 10:9, Colossians 2:6-7)

What happens if the group grows larger than 2 or 3?

As a fourth member is added to a DNA group, the group will divide and multiply. We recognize this may be a painful process as group members have grown to trust and love one another. However, research has shown and time has proven, that without division and multiplication, groups and the people in them will not grow.

What are the next steps for getting involved in a DNA Group?

Invite one or two others to form a DNA group with you and get started. If you do not have anyone to invite, we can help you! Stop by our table after Sunday worship services, or contact Brad Best (Men's DNA Groups) 414-550-2519 bestbrewerfan@att.net or Jenny Heckman (Women's DNA Groups) 414-273-1163 ext. 223 jenny.heckman@metrobrook.org. Once your DNA group is established, we will stay connected through mentoring and prayer.

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What is a DNA Group?

A DNA group fulfills Metrobrook's mission of **living in community**. It is a group that is made up of two or three people of the same gender who meet weekly. Discussion of Bible reading, dialogue around character-building questions, and prayer for those yet to know Jesus are the central elements of the group. No leader, training or curriculum is required! Only a need for Jesus and commitment to the process are necessary.

How often does a DNA Group meet?

Groups should plan to meet one hour a week. Groups agree on a time and location for their meeting that fits their schedule.

How much Bible reading is required?

Each group decides on a book of the Bible and the amount of reading to do each week. The number of chapters per week varies with the groups, but ranges from 10-28 chapters per week. If a smaller book of the Bible is selected, groups can often read through the entire book several times throughout the week. It is important that the amount of reading is attainable and sustainable for everyone in the group. It may take a few weeks to establish the right amount of reading.

How do we pray for those who need to know Jesus?

Each person in the group should identify two or three people to pray for who do not know Jesus. Sample prayers are included in the tear-off section of this brochure to help guide this process.

What are character building questions?

Character-building questions stimulate conversations of character and confession of sin in a safe environment that values honesty, vulnerability, confidentiality and grace. These questions help us avoid the hiding and superficiality human beings gravitate to in groups. Sample questions are provided as a tear-out in this brochure; groups are free to select additional questions based on the needs of the group.

**Groups will grow into these questions as trust is established. Be patient with one another in the process and honor one another with confidentiality and unconditional love.*

Why is the group size limited to two or three people?

There are several reasons for keeping the group small:

***With only two or three schedules to coordinate, it is easier for a group of two or three to find time to meet.*

***In a one hour meeting, a group of two or three has enough time to discuss, share and pray.*

***Developing trust and confidentiality is easier to maintain with a group of two or three people of the same gender.*

DNA Group Character Conversation Questions

These questions are to be asked of one another in a weekly meeting of accountability (James 5:16). They are to stimulate conversations of character and confession of sin in a safe environment that values honesty, vulnerability, confidentiality, and grace.

1. Have you been a testimony this week to the greatness of Jesus Christ with both your words and actions?
2. Have you been exposed to sexually alluring material or allowed your mind to entertain inappropriate sexual thoughts about another this week?
3. Have you bought or are you planning to buy anything the Kingdom does not need you to own? Have you given generously because you trusted God to provide?
4. Have you been loving, honoring, understanding, and generous in your important relationships this week?
5. Have you damaged another person by your words, either behind their back or face-to-face?
6. Have you given in to an addictive behavior this week? Explain.
7. Have you continued to remain angry toward another person?
8. Have you secretly wished for another's misfortune?
9. Did you finish the reading and hear from God? What are you going to do about it?
10. _____
11. Have you been completely honest with me?