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GROUP LIFE PLANNING GUIDE

STARTER ROUTE

 **GROUPS**



Be a Student (Discover)



Be a Friend (Develop)



Be on mission (Deepen)

12 WEEKS

During the first three months of your group the emphasis should be on building friendships and setting routines.

- Small Group Essentials: Core Values
- Small Group Essentials: Goal of SGs
- Scripture Memory: 2 Cor. 5:17, Gal. 2:20, Rom. 12:1, John 14:21, 2 Tim. 3:16, Jn 15:7

- Go to Top Golf
- Bowling
- Picnic at nearby park
- Ranger/Stars/Mavs game
- Have a Redbox night
- Go ice-skating at Parks Mall or Stars Center in Mansfield

- Group Service Project: volunteer at Handley Hope Center to serve family meal on Wednesday night
- Volunteer at Mission Arlington or Mansfield Missions
- Contact Rush Creek Local Compassion Director for more ideas

28 WEEKS

During the next six months of your group the priority should be on strengthening friendships, gauging spiritual maturity amongst group members, and solidifying routines.

- Small Group Essentials: Essentials of Faith
- Small Group Essentials: Disciplined Life
- Small Group Essentials: Redeemed Life
- Small Group Essentials: Threats to Community
- Book of the Bible
- Scripture Memory: Philippians 4:6-7, Joshua 1:8, Matt. 18:20, Heb. 10:24-25, Matt. 4:19, Rom. 1:16, Rom. 3:23, Isa. 53:6, Rom. 6:23, Heb. 9:27, Rom. 5:8, 1 Pt. 3:18, Eph. 2:8-9, Titus 3:5

- Celebrate a holiday together
- Go grocery shopping together
- Go on a mini-vacation together
- Take a day trip to Magnolia Silos in Waco, Texas

- Take a Spiritual Gifts Assessment
- Form a D-Group
- Serve as a group at a church event: Food Packaging, Great Turkey Take Away, Operation Joy, Shreek on the Creek, Student Weekend, Back-pack Meal Packaging
- Adopt a Rush Creek Mission Partner and connect through Prayer/Zoom
- Host a Unity Table

12 WEEKS

The last three months of your group's first year should focus on helping people prioritize their biblical worldview through Scripture reading, mission, and spiritual friendships.

- Book of the Bible
- Scripture Memory: Jn. 1:12, Rev. 3:20, 1 Jn. 5:13, Jn. 5:24, 1 Cor. 3:16, 1 Cor. 2:12
- Zoom Call with a Mission Partner (contact Rush Creek's Compassion Pastor to set up)

- Take a day trip to Mineral Wells State Park for hiking or kayaking
- Have a girls movie night (pjs and candy)
- Have a guy's night (watch the game or go see a live concert)
- Go to the Perot Museum, Dallas Zoo, Fort Worth Zoo
- Go see Christmas lights together

- Plan to participate on a short-term Mission Trip as a group
- Look through opportunities online or contact Rush Creek's Compassion Pastor for ideas that best fit your group.