

# Small Group Growth Plan

*A guide to equip your group grow together for the next season (3-4 months).*

## Choose a discussion option ....

- Discuss which Biblical discussion option would be best to help your group grow:
  - **Message Based Curriculum:** weekly guide to help you connect and discuss how the theme and Scripture from Hope’s message applies to life. ([gethope.net/study-guides-all/](http://gethope.net/study-guides-all/))
  - **Gospel-Centered Approach:** equip your group to read the Bible during the week and 1 passage to grow in applying God’s Word to life. (See additional resource for guidance)
  - **Right Now Media:** [Check out Hope’s selected channel](#) for recommended video based Biblical discussions.

## Outline a calendar for the next three months

- Try find an easy way, like a regular lunch once a month, to help your group connect outside your group.
- Plan one outreach “gathering” you can invite friends to at least once a season and one serve opportunity.

## Share Responsibility

- Discuss who can take responsibility for the various aspects of the group.
  - **Group discussion-** leading group discussion and prayer
  - **Gatherings-** planning opportunities to connect and invite others outside the group
  - **Service-** organizing serve opportunities for the group
  - **Hospitality-** welcome, providing snacks, and follow up with new people
- Create a culture of invitation: have everyone pray about inviting 1 person to be part of your group or gatherings.

## Evaluate your group and make a new plan at the end of each season

- Every 3-4 months (December, April, June/July), evaluate how your group is doing and make a plan for the next season.
- Discuss the needs and impact of the group. Discern if changes are needed

## Our Group’s Growth Plan

Begin to outline your group’s plan for the next three to four months. Below is a sample group’s plan.

	Group Discussion	Missional impact
Month 1	- John (read 4 chapters a week, discuss one passage the leader picks)	-First Friday lunch for anyone who can make it. Friends welcome.
Month 2	-Read Acts (same format)	-First Friday lunch @ Rancherita -Saturday serve day to help a friend/neighbor with something they need: 2 Saturday
Month 3	-Read Ephesians -Read Philippians -Read Colossians	- First Friday lunch @ Rancherita - Plan a gathering testimony night: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday
Month 4*Evaluate	- Read Matthew *Evaluate group at end of month	- First Friday lunch @ Racherita - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday Summer Cookout with families and friends

## Our Group's Growth Plan

Begin to outline your group's plan for the next three to four months.

	Group Discussion	Missional impact
	-Choose the curriculum options that works best for your group.	-Try to find a simple way to help your group connect outside your group -Plan a "gathering" outreach event and serve opportunity once a season - Plan 1 prayer experience 2x/ year
Month 1		
Month 2		
Month 3		
Month 4		
Evaluate  *Take a week to evaluate the last season together.  Discuss the following questions	-How has this group helped you grow to love and lead in our homes and workplaces more like Jesus? What can we celebrate? -What could be going better? -What discussion option will work best to help us grow and reach new people next season? - How are we sharing responsibility? Who could lead that is not leading yet?	- How are we welcoming new people? -What impact are we making outside the group? -What ideas do you have about gatherings or serve opportunities that could help us make a difference beyond our group? - What opportunities have you had to share the Gospel? Who is your one you are praying for/ inviting?