

Small Groups - Fall 2011

Leader(s): Adam and Deana Berley; John and Susan Edwards (608-6079 or 730-7332)

Nature & Topic: Men and women; High School graduates or older or teens with their parents. No homework required. Sharing a meal together, praying for one another, and discussing Sunday morning's message. For our Outreach focus we'll be doing *Just Walk Across the Room*.

Day & Time: Sunday, 6:00 – 8:30 PM

Frequency: Weekly

Duration: September to August (every other week during summer)

Place: Rotating sites – 228 Kyzer Rd., Lexington, first meeting

Capacity: Adults: 12 **Children:** No

Leader(s): Howard and Laura Blomberg (381-6445)

Nature & Topic: Men and women (couples or singles), teens; some “homework” is expected. PUPPET OUTREACH Group. We'll spend initial time of each session in prayer for one another and second part building puppets, sets, creating (or reviewing) scripts, and rehearsing. Plan to regularly eat/snack together. Younger children welcomed with parents. (No separate children's activities are planned, however.) NOTE: It is anticipated that there will be modest costs for materials to build sets and puppets, etc. that will not be funded by the church. Participants will be looked to cover those costs. No one will be asked to contribute more than they desire or are able, however.

Day & Time: Sunday, 6:00 – 8:00 PM (time can be adjusted after group forms)

Frequency: Weekly

Duration: September through May.

Place: Rotating sites – 200 Heritage Trail, Lexington, first meeting

Capacity: Adults/Teens: minimum of 8, max 12 **Children:** With parents only

Leaders: Brion & Dianne Burns (400-3307)

Nature & Topic: Families, couples, singles; homework preparation required: *Philippians*. For six weeks we'll also look at “Outreach Principles from John's Gospel”.

Day & Time: Sunday, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Frequency: Weekly

Duration: September - May

Place: Rotating sites – 334 Wharfsdale Road, Irmo, first meeting

Capacity: Adults: 12 **Children:** Yes

Leader(s): Sally and Dick Hohn (345-5913)

Nature & Topic: Men and Women. During the six weeks of study on Outreach there will be required reading but no homework. We will study *Stop Witnessing and Start Loving* by Paul Bothwick. After that we will review and discuss application of the Sunday message. Further studies will be discussed by group members.

Day & Time: Tuesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Frequency: Weekly

Duration: On going - meet in summer as group desires

Place: Rotating sites – 317 Patio Place, Columbia, first meeting

Capacity: Adults: 14 **Children:** By arrangement

Leader(s): Mitch and Connie Johnson (749-0621)

Nature & Topic: We will look at the biblical foundation of mercy ministry, how it fits in to the holistic purpose of the church and especially its place in FBC's mission to partner with God in transforming people into the image of Jesus Christ. We will focus on how we can personally and as a small group implement these principles into our lives and ministries. We may occasionally use one of the Sunday evenings to get practically involved in a ministry of mercy, perhaps to a family in crisis or a refugee family. We will begin by reading and discussing the book, *Stop Witnessing, Start Loving* (will be provided), focusing on personally identifying at least five ideas we can implement in our lives to increase our effectiveness in crossing the barriers that separate us from the un-churched people in our communities so that we can more effectively build redemptive relationships.

Day & Time: Sunday, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Frequency: Three times monthly

Duration: September through August.

Place: Rotating sites – 112 River Song Circle, Irmo, first meeting

Capacity: **Adults:** 10 **Children:** Yes

Leaders: Gary & Liisa Matson (447-0250)

Nature & Topic: Families, Building authentic, Christ honoring relationships through prayer and study of the Scriptures. Some reading and homework may be required. *The Unexpected Adventure: Taking Everyday Risks to Talk With People About Jesus* will be used as the basis of our 6 sessions on outreach.

Day & Time: Friday, 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Frequency: Twice monthly

Duration: September to August

Place: Matson's, 319 Skyland Dr., Columbia

Capacity: **Adults:** 12 **Children:** Yes

Leaders: Adam and Ellen Nagelvoort (356-1360)

Nature & Topic: Men & women. Some homework required. Focus on the "one another" commands. First, we will be going through *Stop Witnessing and Start Loving* for the initial 6 weeks, and then we do an in-depth study of Philippians.

Day & Time: Sunday evenings from 5:30-8:00 PM

Frequency: Every other Sunday

Duration: September to June

Place: Rotating sites – 128 Tannock Ct., Lexington, first meeting

Capacity: **Adults:** 12 **Children:** Yes

Leader(s): Al & Linda Nauck (678-9496)

Nature & Topic: Men and women, Social & Fellowship emphasizing prayer and encouragement, topical discussion and study. This year reading and discussing *Radical* by David Platt, which "challenges you to consider with an open heart how we have manipulated the gospel to fit our cultural preferences."

Day & Time: Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Frequency: Every other Week

Duration: September to May

Place: Rotating sites – 1617 Nursery Hill Road, Columbia, first meeting

Capacity: **Adults:** 12 **Children:** Yes

Leader(s): Shawn & Megan Norris (358-0244)

Nature & Topic: Outreach focused. Our desire is to build relationships with our neighbors and friends. The number of FBC adults is limited so there will be room to add couples from outside the church.

Day & Time: Sunday, 5:30-7:30 PM

Frequency: Every other week

Duration: 11 months (skip July)

Place: Norris' home, 204 Buckthorne Dr., Lexington

Capacity: **Adults:** 6 **Children:** Yes

Leader(s): Don & Donna Vroblesky (732-5591)

Nature & Topic: Men and women; discussion of the sermon. Our six weeks of thinking about outreach will be based on *Stop Witnessing and Start Loving* by Paul Bothwick.

Day & Time: Sunday, 5:30-7:30 PM

Frequency: Weekly

Duration: September to August

Place: Rotating sites – 418 Smith Market Road, Columbia, first meeting

Capacity: **Adults:** 12 **Children:** By arrangement