

FELLOWSHIP IDEAS | FOR GROUP LEADERS

Regular Group Fellowship

- Have a short time of fellowship at each group meeting. Having fellowship time before the study allows people to relax and open up. In the early stages of your group you may need to lead with asking each member of the group to share a few things about themselves during fellowship. Use some of the ice breaker questions provided by the Small Group Team.
- You can ask a different group member to provide an ice breaker question each week as a way to get to know each other better.
- Fellowship time is usually more successful when food is involved. Have the food set up before group members arrive and make it convenient to access.

Let me get you something to eat so you can be refreshed.

Genesis 18:5 (NIV)

- If you would like, celebrate birthdays in the group by having someone sign up to bring a treat once a month in place of, or on top of, the regular snacks. Have everyone sign a card.
- Bring out an old map and give a different colored pencil to everyone. Have them plot on the map where they have lived. People might be surprised and delighted to find that their paths had unknowingly crossed in the past.
- Play a short quiz game covering the material from the week before.

Special Planned Fellowship

- Plan a night of "sharing and worship only" once in a while to reflect on what God is doing in your lives and in your group.
- Plan a special service project to help someone in your group, in the church, or in the community.
 - Go to a local mission together. You can find many local mission opportunities to help at gracechurchco.com/reach.
 - Find a neighbor outside of Grace that has a need which you can help with (groceries, meals, ground / house maintenance, etc.).
 - Pitch in to help another member of the group with a project or difficult time (helping move, hospital visit, meals).
 - Participate in a Grace Church project. Check out the "Make a Difference" tab on our website and read the emails from the Small Group Director where various opportunities for groups to serve are highlighted.
- Plan a progressive dinner and go from house to house with your group.
- Plan fun activities to do together such as a barbecue, movies, bowling, miniature golf, game night, potluck, etc.
- Every July we promote Midsummer Mixers to gather Small Groups together with each other. You can also contact other small group hosts at any time and plan a larger group gathering to widen your circle of friends.