A Group For You

GROW Groups are coming!

We want to make sure that the GROW Group topics interest you.

This semester, we want to offer groups that are not only student-led, but that cover a variety of new topics. We are looking for students (especially freshmen) who are willing to work with a mentor this semester to run a GROW Group. Next year you will be able to teach a GROW Group on your own! All you need is an interest in something and the willingness to befriend some other people who are interested in the same thing.

Groups meet only 8-10 times a semester. What every group has in
common is a time for a devotional and prayer, if you are not already running a standard Bible study group.

One of the important reasons that Christ came to live among us was so that we could have common ground (Hebrew 2:14-18). GROW Groups are a way to follow Christ’s example by building common ground as we disciple each other.

We have mentors waiting but we need YOU!

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*by Rosemary Bailey, GROW Group Leader*

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**Serving In Love**

Going on the Honduras Mission Trip with Andrews University this
past December was by far one of the best experiences I've ever had. A group of about 20 of us spent our time at El Hogar De Niños, a children's home in Santa Barbara, Honduras. The home is a shelter for those who have suffered from extreme poverty, and are homeless, malnourished, or abused. During the week we held the "Campamento de Amistad" - Friendship Camp - for the Hogar kids as well as the local community children. Each day they played games, learned about the Bible, sang songs, built crafts, and discovered vital information about hygiene and taking care of their bodies both inside and out. Our team was also blessed with the opportunity to distribute a month's worth of food to over 50 families in desperate need.

I am so thankful for the amazing opportunity I had to give of myself for those 10 days. To have my eyes opened. To love and to serve. To grow in my relationship with Christ. I experienced just a taste of the heartbreak our Heavenly Father feels everyday as He watches His children suffer. I pray that I will never become too comfortable, too selfish, and too insensitive to refuse to respond to the needs of those crying out all around me. I pray that instead I love, care and serve just as Jesus did in His time here.
“The House By The Side Of The Road”

One writer has observed that of all the chapters in Scripture, John 17 is “the easiest in regard to words, the most profound in regard to ideas” (SDA BC 5:1051). The entire chapter is a prayer, the longest prayer of Jesus on record. He will be dead in less than twenty-four hours. But thinking little of Himself, the Savior pleads with God on behalf of His disciples: “I have given them the glory that You gave Me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and You in Me—so that they may be brought to complete unity” (John17:22, 23 NIV, emphasis supplied). . . read more

by Dwight Nelson, Lead Pastor
Bible Study Training

Have you ever wanted to learn how to share your faith and give Bible studies? This coming weekend we’re having a training event where you will learn how to get meaningful conversations started, how to confidently share your faith with anyone, and how to give dynamic Bible studies. We will look forward to seeing you there.

The times are:

- Friday the 24th from 5:00-7:00 PM (light meal provided - food line opens at 4:30 PM)
- Saturday the 25th from 3:00-5:30 PM

To register click [here](http://pioneermemorialchurch.cmail1.com/t/ViewEmail/t/B5E5098C26AA5FED/135ACD23FF5417359A8E73400EDACAB4[9/14/2015 4:24:01 PM])

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