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Groups for Adults
at
First Baptist Church of Geneva
A Place to Believe, Belong and Become

T.E.A.M. (Teaching, Equipping, Affirming Men)

Many men are frustrated when family and work responsibilities leave little energy left for developing quality personal friendships or participating in church beyond Sunday worship. T.E.A.M. Impact is a ministry born of a desire to meet men where they are and challenge them to personal and spiritual growth. Men are also given the opportunity to meet new people through the small groups.

Group Members: Men of all ages
Contact Person: Pastor Brian Coffey
Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 113
E-Mail: bcoffey@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: Fridays, 5:50 - 7:00 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, Worship Center
Group Size: Total group: 225+, small groups: 6 - 10

Women's Bible Studies

Women of all ages participate in these Bible Studies, designed to give all the participants an opportunity to learn and grow together, no matter where they are in their spiritual journey. There are several different study options and levels of study.

Group Members: Women of all ages
Contact Person: Louise Anderson
Phone: 630-879-2547
E-Mail: landerson@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: Group 1: Tuesdays, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. (childcare avail.)
Group 2: Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. (no childcare)
Fall session runs Sept. - Dec. Spring Session runs Jan. - May.
Meeting Location: East and West Campus, call for specific rooms
Group Size: Group 1, Total: 250+, small groups: 12
Group 2, Total: 100+, small groups: 12

Women's Prayer Meeting

This group is devoted to praying for the church staff, the various church ministries, specific needs of the church body and any personal requests shared by those who participate.

Group Members: Women of all ages
Contact Person: Betty Fernandes
Phone: 630-208-9728
E-Mail: Bettyf@ameritech.net
Meeting Dates: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus, Room 202
Group Size: 3 - 5

Seekers

This class invites singles and couples age 40+ who are interested in a discussion-based, Bible-centered class that fosters belonging through discussion, prayer, sharing and social activities.

Group Members: Singles and Couples, age 40+
Contact Person: Rich & Maureen Phillips
Phone: 630-232-6758
E-Mail: maurphil2@hotmail.com
Contact Person: Dianne Webster
Phone: 630-232-6628
E-Mail: dwebster@ameritech.net
Meeting Dates: Sundays, 9:15
Meeting Location: East Campus, Quad 100
Group Size: 40 - 50

Senior Adult Bible Study

This Bible study is led by pastor Roger Crites. Whether you commit weekly to attend or are available on a "drop in" basis, join this group of seniors for Bible teaching, hymn singing and, of course, coffee and refreshments!

Group Members: Adults, age 65+
Contact Person: Pastor Roger Crites
Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 122
E-Mail: rcrites@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus, Chapel
Group Size: 45 - 55

Sports Leagues: Co-Ed Softball

Recreational and competitive church leagues through Geneva Park District.

Group Members: Adults
Contact Person: John Soto
Phone: 630-365-5217
E-Mail: ccasix@juno.com
Contact Person: Greg Unterberg
Phone: 630-761-9021
E-Mail: gjunterberg@aol.com
Meeting Dates: Sunday afternoons, mid-May through mid-August
Meeting Location: Peck Farm fields, Geneva

Sports Leagues: Men's Basketball

This league includes Division I and Division II Level play with a minimum of nine games and two certified refs. Games will be played Saturday mornings or Sunday afternoons.

Group Members: Men, age 21 and older
Contact Person: Brad Corbin
Phone: 630-513-1971
E-Mail: shooter736@aol.com
Meeting Dates: Saturdays and Sundays during the winter
Meeting Location: West Campus gym

In a growing church like FBCG, it is sometimes challenging to make those initial connections with other believers that lead to lasting relationships. We hope that through the ministries listed in this booklet you can get more connected!

This directory does not include all small groups meeting in homes. But it does include many ministry programs with a small group component, or simply opportunities to get to know others by participating together in an activity.

The individual contact people listed for each group will be happy to answer questions you might have about their particular group. Although we try to include the most current information, details about these groups (such as meeting time or location) are frequently changing and some groups require pre-registration before your first visit, so please feel free to double check details with the contact person when making plans to attend a group for the first time.

Thanks for your efforts in making FBCG a place to believe, belong and become!

Pastor Brian Coffey

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Pathfinders

Join this class of couples in their late 20s and 30s as they examine the state of Christianity throughout the world today and the difference Christianity can make in daily life. The class offers an opportunity to build relationships outside of Sunday morning through class social activities and small group interaction. Social activities for the entire group continue to enrich friendships.

Group Members: Couples in their late 20s and 30s
Contact Person: Eric & Heather Matthys
Phone: 630-466-1995
Contact Person: Tony & Laura Valente
Phone: 630-499-7178
E-Mail: three-sons@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: Sundays, 9:15
Meeting Location: West Campus, Room 102
Group Size: 20 - 25

Real Life Women's Bible Study

Take a fresh look at what the Bible says about discovering real life with God, encouraging our husbands and loving our children. We'll even explore the area of running our homes. This is an Introductory level Bible Study for those who are new Christians or new to the Bible Study experience. Childcare is available for children through Kindergarten age.

Group Members: Women who are wives and mothers
Contact Person: Julie Dougherty
Phone: 630-762-0711
E-Mail: sixdoughterys@sbcglobal.net
Contact Person: Chris Anthony
Phone: 630-377-6043
Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, 9:15 - 11:00 a.m.
Fall session runs Sept. - Nov.; Winter/Spring session runs Jan. - May
Meeting Location: call for location
Group Cost: see Women's Bible Study brochure
Group Size: Total group: 50, small groups: 10

Scrap Night

Scrap Night is an informal evening designed for women in the church and community who enjoy Scrapbooking and Photo Journaling. Enjoy an evening of uninterrupted work time, while fellowshiping and sharing ideas and accomplishments with other women who share your interest in preserving memories. Bring your own projects and supplies.

Snacks and beverages are provided.
Group Members: Women of all ages
Contact Person: Tiffany Douglass
Phone: 630-208-4953
Meeting Dates: 1st Friday of the month, 6:30 - 11:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus, Room 100

Moms Connected

Moms Connected is a ministry providing moms of “tweens” (10 – 12 year olds) and teens the opportunity to hear an interesting presentation, build friendships and grow personally and spiritually. The program includes a continental breakfast, speaker and discussion group time.

Group Members: Mothers of children ages 10 - 19
Contact Person: Judy Daniels
Phone: 630-406-5771
Meeting Dates: Thursdays, call for dates, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, Worship Center
Group Size: Total group: 100+, small groups: 6 - 10

Moms Together

Moms Together offers young mothers an entertaining presentation and small-group discussion on a topic of interest while their children participate in an educational program.

Group Members: Mothers of children up to elementary age.
Contact Person: Kim Ericson
Phone: 630-232-4250 or
630-232-7068, Ext. 137
E-Mail: kimberley.ericson@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: Thursdays, call for dates, 9:15-11:15 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, Worship Center
Group Size: Total Groups A & C: 250+ small groups: 6 - 10

Patchworks Quilt Ministry

This ministry expresses Jesus’ love through the gift of a quilt to people who needs to know He cares. A sewing machine is necessary, but quilting experience is not.

Group Members: Women of all ages
Contact Person: Carol Peterson
Phone: 630-584-5034
Contact Person: Maureen Phillips
Phone: 630-232-6758
E-Mail: maurphil2@hotmail.com
Meeting Dates: 2nd Saturday of the month, 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Meeting Location: East Campus, Rooms 201 - 202
Group Size: 6 - 10

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aboveground: College/Career Ministry

Description: large group gathering for: community, worship and teaching.
Group Members: Men and Women, Ages 18 - 25
Contact Person: Ken Lippold
 Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 148
 E-mail: klippold@fbcg.com
Website: www.fbcg.com/aboveground
Meeting Dates: Sundays, 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus, Chapel
Group Size: 15 - 50

aboveground Small Group

Description: small group gathering for community and discussion.
Group Members: Men and Women, Ages 18 - 25
Contact Person: Ken Lippold
 Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 148
 E-mail: klippold@fbcg.com
Website: www.fbcg.com/aboveground
Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: Villwock's home
 39W070 Dean Lane, St. Charles
Group Size: 12 - 17

Ambassadors

This inter-generational class has an informal setting with fellowship and group discussion. Come and deepen your relationship with new friends and the Lord.
Group Members: Singles and Couples, ages 40+
Contact Person: Bill and Esther Peterson
 Phone: 847-695-8535
 E-Mail: bpeterson43@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: Sundays, 9:15
Meeting Location: East Campus, Chapel
Group Size: 30

Art and Soul Visual Arts Ministry

Do you enjoy art? Would you like to know other artists at FBCG? The Art & Soul Visual Arts Ministry meets monthly for fellowship, Bible Study, art outings, guest speakers and worshipful projects. It is our mission to glorify God by inspiring greater heights of worship through the visual arts as a fellowship of artists growing in Christ.
Group Members: Adult Artists
Contact Person: Patty Wolford
 Phone: 630-406-9211
 E-Mail: wolford37w@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: call for dates
Meeting Location: call for location
Group Size: 7 - 9

Men's Bible Study

All men are invited to join for Bible study, discussion, fellowship, prayer and outreach. Meetings start with a time of fellowship and prayer followed by small group discussion.
Group Members: Men of all ages
Contact Person: Steve Bauserman
 Phone: 630-365-9531
Meeting Dates: Saturdays, 7:30 - 8:45 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, Room 103
Group Size: 18 - 30

Men's Bible Study Fellowship

This Bible study is intended for all levels of Bible knowledge. Pre-registration is required.
Group Members: Men of all ages
Contact Person: Eric Harris
 Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 112
 E-Mail: eharris@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: Mondays, 6:50 - 8:45 p.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus, sanctuary
Group Size: Total Group 150, small groups: 12 - 15

Men's Open Basketball

Group Members: Men over the age of 18
Contact Person: Mike Cassidy
 Phone: 630-232-1737
 E-Mail: mcassi1@attglobal.net
Meeting Dates: Saturdays, 6:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, Gym
Group size: varies

Men's Prayer Group

Anyone interested in invited to come!
Group Members: Men of all ages
Contact Person: Clark Cheney
 Phone: 630-584-4950
 E-Mail: clark@cheneysite.com
Contact Person: Steve Jeffrey
 Phone: 630-365-1752
 E-Mail: basic7@aol.com
Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, 6:00 a.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus
Group Size: 6 - 8

Golden Fellowship

Golden Fellowship meets monthly to provide fellowship and activities for senior adults. Activities are planned to promote spiritual growth, socialization, encouragement and fun! Typical activities might include: theme parties, picnics and potlucks, concerts, lectures on topics of interest to seniors, museum/factory tours, service projects, and an annual Christmas dinner.

Group Members: Senior Adults, ages 65+
Contact Person: Mary Michelsen
Phone: 630-409-8021
E-Mail: Mail4Mary51@hotmail.com
Contact Person: Barb Harris
Phone: 630-892-7740
E-Mail: bharris7371@aol.com
Meeting Dates: Saturdays once a month, call for dates
Meeting Location: East Campus, Chapel
Group Size: 20 - 60

Kids' Time Play Group

This group is designed to give preschoolers a chance to let out their energy through play and mothers a chance to enjoy each other's company over coffee and treats. Juice and snacks are also provided for the children.

Group Members: Mothers and their Pre-School aged Children
Contact Person: Carrie Van Rossum
Phone: 630-232-0638
Meeting Dates: 2nd Thursday of the month, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Meeting Location: East Campus, Family Life Center

Knit Together/Prayer Shawl Ministry

This group exists to encourage and serve the body of Christ through knitting and crocheting. Whether you are an expert with needles or would like to learn the craft, all are welcome to join. For those interested in service projects, we have a Prayer Shawl ministry in which we make and pray over shawls for people who are grieving or suffering.

Group Members: anyone with an interest in Knitting or Crochet
Contact Person: Jan Krueger
Phone: 630-761-3106
E-Mail: janbillkrueger@att.net
Contact Person: Erin Frazier
Phone: 630-761-0184
E-Mail: jefrazier@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: call for dates
Meeting Location: West Campus

Built to Last

This is a class for younger couples and newly or soon to be married couples. The class will focus on discussing and applying the biblical principles for building strong and healthy marriages. Our hope is to foster rich relationships between the couples involved.

Group Members: Young couples & newly married couples
Meeting Dates: Sundays, 9:15 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, 103
Group Size: 10-20

College Moms in Prayer

This ministry consists groups of 4 - 6 moms of college students meeting in one another's homes once a month for prayer and refreshments. They pray for the spiritual, physical and emotional needs of their students, as well as issues relating to their schools, and they pray for each other. There are both day-time and evening groups available.

Group Members: Women who are mothers of college students
Contact Person: Jeanie Petersen
Phone: 630-584-4140
Contact Person: Nancy Wong
Phone: 630-406-8659
E-Mail: nancywong75@gmail.com
Meeting Dates: Monthly, call for specific dates and times
Meeting Location: group members' homes
Group Size: 4 - 6

Come Thirsty Singles

This is a dynamic ministry of fellowship and growth as we study God's Word.

Group Members: singles in their 20s and 30s
Contact Person: Jenny Schulenburg and
Phone: 630-338-6220
E-Mail: comethirsty@gmail.com
Contact Person: Matt Dec
Phone: 608-345-1015
Meeting Dates: Sundays, 10:45 a.m.
Meeting Location: West Campus, 102
Group Size: 8-10

Crown Biblical Financial Study

This 10-week study examines what the Bible has to say about stewardship while working through practical applications such as budgeting and debt reduction. Study includes daily Bible study and memorization plus weekly homework.

Group Members: Men and Women, all ages
Contact Person: Eric Harris
Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 112
E-Mail: eharris@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: call for dates
Meeting Location: call for location
Group Size: maximum of 10 persons each session

DBUG (Dads Building Up Girls)

This is a father/daughter ministry that includes special speakers for fathers of girls and special events for dads and daughters to do together. Please call for further information.

Group Members: Men who are fathers of girls
Contact Person: Russ Chrusciel
Phone: 630-845-3154
E-Mail: genevagirls@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: call for dates
Meeting Location: call for location

Deep Waters Book Group

This women's book group explores the writings of men and women of God who learned biblical life-changing truths and applied them to their lives.

Group Members: Women of all ages
Contact Person: Meridee Welsh
Phone: 630-262-8924
E-Mail: merrydee14@sbcglobal.net
Meeting Dates: second Tuesday evening of every month
Meeting Location: Graham's 318
318 3rd Street, Geneva
Group Size: 6

Disciple U

This is an exciting new development in the FBCG Pathway; it is one of the key ways you can take a step in your journey of becoming who God wants you to be. Disciple U is designed to engage you in relational learning environments that will challenge you along the pathway of discipleship.

Group Members: Anyone 18 years old and above
Contact Person: Pastor Jeff Frazier
Phone: 630-232-7068
E-mail: jfrazier@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: 9/21-11/23 & 1/11-5/15
Meeting Location: West 103
Group size: varies

Discovery Membership Class

This two-week class reviews the basics of what FBCG believes. If you are able to clearly describe your personal relationship with Christ and want to explore the possibilities of church membership, this is the class for you.

Group Members: Men and women applying for FBCG membership
Contact Person: Pastor Jeff Frazier
Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 121
E-Mail: jfrazier@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: (Offered twice each year, fall and spring)
(call for dates of each session)
Meeting Location: (call for location of each session)
Group Size: 20+

DivorceCare

DivorceCare is a 13-week video/small support group of people who are also experiencing separation and divorce. It features biblical teaching for recovering from divorce. It will also teach how to deal with the pain of the past and look forward to rebuilding your life.

Pre-registration is required.
Group Members: Men and women experiencing divorce or separation
Contact Person: Pastor Roger Crites
Phone: 630-232-7068, Ext. 122
E-Mail: rcrites@fbcg.com
Meeting Dates: Mondays, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. (call for dates of each session)
Meeting Location: East Campus, Room 202
Group Cost: \$12 (for workbook)
Group Size: 5 - 10

Empty Nesters

Fellowship and a chance to get acquainted with others whose children have "left the nest". Individual groups will set their own meeting times and will meet in each other's homes or at local restaurants.

Group Members: Individuals and Couples whose children have "left the nest"
Contact Person: Ginny Hohm
Phone: 630-584-1496
E-Mail: w.hh@juno.com
Contact Person: Jan Rideout
Phone: 630-587-0834
Contact Person: Marilyn VanThournout
Phone: 630-584-6634
E-Mail: dm6634@msn.com
Meeting Dates: once a month, set by individual groups
Meeting Location: group members' homes
Group Size: 8 per small group

Forget-Me-Not's

This Christian fellowship group is for mature single ladies from both the church and the community-at-large. They meet for activities, potluck meals or special programs featuring Christian speakers. Their purpose is to enjoy events together which they wouldn't attend alone, to encourage close fellowship, and to strengthen one another in their faith.

Group Members: Single women, ages 60+
Contact Person: Don & Marlene Simmen
Phone: 847-659-1925
Meeting Dates: meets 5 times a year, call for dates and times
Meeting Location: call for location
Group size: 10 or more