

Community Group Notes from Sunday 25th January

“In”

Growing in Community – part 2

This week we focussed on the important role of the meeting in the life of our Community Groups. The preacher said that the meeting was like the engine of a car – essential if we wanted to go anywhere. We looked at how the core values of Up/In/Out are worked out in the meeting and how these can over flow into group life.

1. On Sunday it was mentioned that as Christians we actually find it quite difficult to talk about our relationships with God honestly. This week lets try and over come that by taking some for everyone to share how their walk with God is going right now. E.g. what are you reading in the Bible at the moment? What is God saying to you right now? What are you praying into at this time? Take some time with this one and look to ask it once a month.
2. Share some of the best experiences you have had of Community Group meetings recently?
3. Have you had a go at leading part of the meeting – if not what is preventing you or holding you back?
4. Have you ever helped anyone else have a go at a part of the evening? If no is there are part you could offer to help someone in your group have a go at?
5. How are you going to make your Community Group meetings more effective? Don't forget you could start by using your home and offering hospitality.

Going Deeper... Why not take some time looking up and studying the list of “one anotherings” found at the end of these notes.

“Out”

The next two weeks are the most important weeks for Front Edge Sunday (the invites say: Is there more to life than this...). Together with other Newfrontiers churches we are hosting a special Sunday that focuses on praying for the sick and preaching the gospel. We need you as groups to bring your people who are sick and your people who need saving – who knows this might change their life!!!

- Hand out invites or encourage your group to call into the church office to collect some more invites
- Talk about who to invite – remember there is a great party happening in the kids work so encourage group members if they have children to train their children to invite their people in
- Pray for one another – we need the courage and boldness to do this
- Practice on one another – what could you say to your people who are sick and/or in need of a saviour
- Pray for God to heal and to seek and save the lost
- Pray for Melanie to have boldness to preach and reap

Events Coming Up...

8th February - **Front Edge Sunday** - 9:15 & 11:30 @ The Charis Centre

10th February – **Equipped: Calling all Witnesses** or **Thorny Issues Part 1** - 7:45pm @ The Charis Centre

This Sunday...

Stuart will be concluding our 3-part series entitled “Growing in Community”

ONE ANOTHERING

The survey of "one another/each other" verses below indicates that New Testament Christianity was very corporate - more so than the individual Christianity many of us are used to!! Many of these sayings **need** a small group/community setting to be fulfilled.

1. **LOVE** one another
John 13:34; 15:12, 27; 1 Thess 3:12; 4:9; 1 Peter 1:22;
1 John 3:11, 23; 4:7, 11; 2 John 5.
2. **FORGIVE** one another
Col 3:13; Eph 4:32.
3. **ACCEPT** one another
Rom 15:7.
4. Be at **PEACE** with one another
Mark 9:50.
5. Be **DEVOTED** to one another
Rom 12:10.
6. **PREFER** one another above yourselves
Rom 12:10.
7. Live in **HARMONY** with one another
Rom 12:16; 1 Peter 3:8.
8. **ENCOURAGE** one another
1 Thess 4:18; 5:11; Hebrews 3:13; 10:25.
9. **BUILD** one another up
1 Thess 5:11.
10. **ADMONISH/INSTRUCT** one another
Rom 15:14; Col 3:16.
11. **GREET** one another with a holy kiss - a kiss of love
Rom 16:16; 1 Cor 16:20; 1 Peter 5:14.
12. **WAIT** for one another
1 Cor 11:33.
13. Let all the members have **EQUAL** concern for one another
1 Cor 12:25.
14. **SERVE** one another in love
Gal 5:13; John 13:14.
15. **BEAR** with one another in love
Eph 4:2; Col 3:13.
16. Be **KIND** and **COMPASSIONATE** to one another
Eph 4:32.
17. **SUBMIT** to one another
Eph 5:21; 1 Peter 5:5.

18. **SPUR** one another **ON** towards love and good deeds
Hebrews 10:24.
19. **CONFESS** your sins to each other
James 5:16.
20. **PRAY** for each other
James 5:16.
21. Offer **HOSPITALITY** to one another without grumbling
1 Peter 4:10.
22. **MINISTER SPIRITUAL GIFTS** to one another
1 Peter 4:10.
23. Bear one another's **BURDENS**
Gal 6:2.
24. Seek one another's **GOOD**
1 Cor 10:24.