

## SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM PATHWAY IDEAS

**Objective** – To assist Hosts and groups in planning out an annual curriculum calendar for the purpose of spiritual growth, developing a healthy small group diet, balancing the purposes, and identifying which studies would be most helpful to them as they develop their small group health plan.

### Three approaches:

#### 1. Categories

- Books of the Bible
- Doctrine
- Life Skills
- Evangelism/Seeker
- Spiritual Growth

#### 2. Purposes

- Fellowship
- Discipleship
- Ministry
- Evangelism
- Worship

#### 3. Year long plan

- 1<sup>st</sup> year
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year
- 4<sup>th</sup> year

#### **Tips for Leaders**

Mix up curriculum to provide balance. Some people may want to study the “last times” forever, but a healthy diet includes all kinds of food.

Occasionally encourage the group to try a study that no one has considered, because it may just be the study that opens your group to a whole new level of maturity.

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### Suggested Annual Curriculum Pathway:

<i>1<sup>st</sup> year –</i>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
• 40 Days of Purpose	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	All
• Books of Bible (choose one)			
James – Vol. 1 & 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
1 Thessalonians – Vol. 1& 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
• Doctrine (choose one)			
Foundations – Intro/Bible	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
Foundations – God	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
Foundations – Christ	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
Foundations – Holy Spirit	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
• Spiritual Growth			
The Power of Prayer	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Discipleship
• Life Skills (choose one)			
Couples group – Sacred Marriage	6 weeks	Life Skills	Fellowship
Others – Building Community	6 weeks	Life Skills	Fellowship
• Annual campaign	<u>6 weeks</u>	-----	-----
	40 weeks		

  

<i>2<sup>nd</sup> year –</i>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
• 40 Days of Community	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Fellowship
• Books of Bible (choose one)			
James – Vol. 1 & 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
1 Thessalonians – Vol. 1& 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
Inside Out Living – <i>a Blessed Life</i>	6 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
• Doctrine			
Foundations	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
• Spiritual Growth (do both)			
Serving God Together	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Ministry
Managing Your Money	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Discipleship
• Spiritual Health Assessment	2 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Discipleship
• Annual campaign	<u>6 weeks</u>	-----	-----
	40 weeks		

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### ***3<sup>rd</sup> year –***

	<b><u>Length</u></b>	<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Purpose</u></b>
● 40 Days of PEACE	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Evangelism
● Books of Bible (choose one)			
James – Vol. 1 & 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
1 Thessalonians – Vol. 1& 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
Inside Out Living – <i>a Blessed Life</i>	6 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
● Foundations - Christ	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
● The Way of A Worshipper	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Worship
● Sharing God's Heart for People	6 weeks	Evangelism	Evangelism
● Annual campaign	<u>6 weeks</u>	-----	-----
	40 weeks		

### ***4<sup>th</sup> year –***

	<b><u>Length</u></b>	<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Purpose</u></b>
● 40 Days of PEACE	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Evangelism
● Books of Bible (choose one)			
James – Vol. 1 & 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
1 Thessalonians – Vol. 1& 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
Inside Out Living – <i>a Blessed Life</i>	6 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
Ephesians – Vol. 1 & 2	12 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
● Doctrine			
Foundations	4 weeks	Doctrine	Discipleship
● Life Skills			
Couples groups – Parenting	6 weeks	Life	Fellowship
Others - Singles	6 weeks	Skills/Seeker	Fellowship
● Evangelisms/Seeker			
The Passion	3 weeks	Life Skills	
I Have a Friend...Who is Mormon	3 weeks	Seeker	Evangelism
● Annual campaign	<u>6 weeks</u>	Evangelism	Evangelism
	41 weeks	-----	-----

### ***Miscellaneous Others –***

	<b><u>Length</u></b>	<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Purpose</u></b>
● Passover	1 week	Spiritual Growth	Worship
● Gifts in His Name (Christmas)	2 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
● I Have a Friend...Who is Mormon	3 weeks	Evangelism	Missions
● Spiritual Pathways	6 weeks	Spiritual Growth	Discipleship
● Purpose Driven Life series	42 weeks	Spiritual Growth	ALL
● Doing Life Together	42 weeks	Spiritual Growth	ALL
● Inside Out Living			
Living Beyond Yourself	6 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
Living in Pursuit of God	6 weeks	Bible	Discipleship
Living with the End in Mind	6 weeks	Bible	Discipleship