



## Life Group Purpose

Gathering weekly to experience the life of Jesus Christ—the **GRACE** of God to **LOVE** one another and to **SERVE** others in Jesus' Name.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”  
John 3:16 (ESV)

## The Gifts of Christmas: HOPE

This morning we celebrate the second Sunday of Advent, celebrating the love of our heavenly Father expressed in sending His Son, Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. This is a season of Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace. Invite someone to come along! -Mark

### THE GIFTS OF CHRISTMAS



hope ♦ love ♦ joy ♦ peace

<p><b>9 Sunday</b> 7:30am Prayer Room 9:15am-9:55am FOUNDATIONS 10:00am WORSHIP 10:35am NorthlakeKids 12:00pm Elders Meeting: Ad Building Conference Rm</p>	<p><b>10 Monday</b> 7:30am NBC Prayer Room Focus: TRCS &amp; other local schools</p>	<p><b>11 Tuesday</b> 7:30am NBC Prayer Room Focus: NBC Prayer List  6:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal: sanctuary 6:30pm Mission Team Meeting: Ad Building Living Rm</p>	<p><b>12 Wednesday</b> 7:30am NBC Prayer Room Focus: Elders and Staff 9:00am NorthlakeSeniors: men's Breakfast: meet at Campus Towers  6:00pm NorthlakeYouth: Youth Room 7:00pm Bible Study Fellowship for Women: sanctuary</p>	<p><b>13 Thursday</b> 7:30am NBC Prayer Room Focus: Area Ministries</p>	<p><b>14 Friday</b> 7:30am NBC Prayer Room Focus: Marketplace</p>	<p><b>15 Saturday</b> 7:30am NBC Prayer Room Focus: Elder Prayer:</p>
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## Extending Our Hands to Our Neighbors



MISSION OF THE MONTH:  
**RETIRED MINISTERS & MISSIONARIES OFFERING**

GOAL: \$1500

## NorthlakeYouth

Wednesdays, 6pm-8pm  
Youth (grades 6th-12th) meet from 6pm-8pm in the youth room.

Please enter through the east gym door.

Bring a friend!



**JOIN US FOR PRAYER**

7:30am-8:30am daily | prayer room

## Life Group Meeting Planner with Questions



# GRACE • LOVE • SERVICE

### SERVICE

As a Group: Does anyone know of a need that we can meet?

Personally: Who has God laid on my heart? How can I connect with them this week? *Make plans!*

WRITE PLANS HERE:

WHO:

WHAT:

HOW/WHEN:

### SUGGESTED MEETING PATTERN:

2x/month Bible discussion... (90 minutes)

**SIMPLE**—take turns leading a simple devotional thought (have the one leading the devotional be in charge to bring refreshments for the group) and open in prayer; spend time sharing with one another about life and faith; pray for one another!

**HAND-SPAN** (see below\*)

1x/month: party to invite others to: when/what:

1x/month service/mission—when/what (see above):

### **NEED AN ICE-BREAKER QUESTION?** *What is your favorite place you've ever visited?*

**\*HAND-SPAN Format:** *Someone (maybe be prepared as a leader to pick a passage or ask someone each meeting to come prepared with a passage for the group) pick a "handbreadth-sized" passage of Scripture to read—if you were using a printed Bible, a hand-span would be the suggested length of a passage to read and discuss: not too short and not too long! Then use these questions to discuss it together:*

### DISCUSSION

1. What did you like about what we just read?
2. What didn't you like?
3. Was there anything you didn't understand?
4. What did you learn about God?
5. Regardless of where your faith is at right now, if you were to apply what we just learned about God to something in your life this week, what would that look like?

Pray for one another.

*Who wants to come prepared with a passage for the group to read next time?*