

Welcome/Pray/Eat – 6:35 – 7:15.

Inspire - 7:15-7:40

- Vision for Home Church for 2017/2018.

Inform - 7:40-8:00

- What to know for the new year.
 - Home Church dates for 2017/2018.
 - Training on the App and website.
 - Roles within the Home Church.
 - Serving opportunities for coming year.
 - Meet the new Home Church Leaders.

Instruct – 8:00-8:25

- Update on Generations Campaign and how HC Leaders are asked to lead.
 - Generations Campaign – Building for a Future of Faith.
 - Doubling up on Home Churches to share vision of Generations.

Pray/Close - 8:25-8:30

Five “Lackys” that Destroy Relationships

Transparency:

With no context for transparency, struggling people walk away, not towards people who could help.

- Lead your HC to an expectation of transparency and guide them to be a HC that lovingly spurs each other on to love and good deeds. Hebrews 10:23-24.

Simple Step: Share a meaningful prayer request weekly with the HC. You are leading by opening your life and inviting others to do the same.

- Foster transparency in your HC by opening the door for them to be transparent. (Do you have the same expectations of yourself, being transparent with the group)? 1 Thessalonians 2:8.

Simple Step: Have a ‘norm’ that “what is shared in your HC, stays there.” You are now providing a rare time in their week when they can be who they are; with their hopes, hurts, and feelings – while surrounded by people who care and point them to Jesus.

Time:

Consistently (for whatever reason) cancelling HC, ensures you will never have consistency. The expectation has never been 100% attendance; it has been building deep relationships. Hebrews 10:25.

- HC gives you a solid structure in the week in which to build deep relationships over time.

Simple Step: Allow the structure of meeting weekly to be your friend in fostering relationships.

- View severely low attendance weeks as opportunities to build deeper relationships with those who are present.

Note: The question is not, “Can we have a good discussion with so few people?” The question is, “How can we utilize this rare occasion where just a few can gather in order to grow closer to God and one another?”

Simple Step: Have 3 ‘outside of the living room’ options for the next time only a few people can gather.

- As you go, log relational hours with those in your HC.

Simple Step: Pick a night when you are already eating dinner, throw a little extra food in and have a couple join you.

Note: Those not coming to the structured weekly HC time don’t get this invite. They are not prioritizing deepening relationships, so spend these extra efforts on those who are.

Purpose:

People are drawn to those who know where they are going and desire to take others with them.

- Have a goal and purpose that transcends just meeting together to review the message.

Simple Step: Believe that God desires to use you for more than forming a habit in people’s lives. Help people fashion their lives around Jesus.

Consistently leading without a plan, convinces people HC is not important enough to plan...or attend.

- Facilitators must game plan the HC time in order to foster relationships through study, prayer, and relationship building.

Simple Step: Plan the allotted time of you HC especially when you will move to the living room and when you will end.

Communication:

There is confusion where there is lack of communication.

- Great friends communicate often, so do great Home Churches, because communication is a path to and a result of great relationships.

Simple Step: If you are not good at consistently communicating, release someone in your HC who is.

Overdoses of Grace or Truth:

Where there is only Grace or only Truth, relationships are only a facade. Grace without any truth is dangerous and truth without any grace is devastating.

Christ came full of grace and truth; why would we not do the same? John 1:17

Simple Step: Ask God to balance your truth with grace to lead well.

Application: Pray and ask God which one area you need to focus on for your Home Church to grow in relationship with Him and one another. Spend the semester intentionally working on that area through the Holy Spirit.



Three-term System Dates: The Home Church calendar is in a trimester format. Here are the 2017-2018 dates of each term.

- Fall Term – Week of Aug 13, 2017 – week of December 10, 2017
- Winter Term – Week of January 7, 2018 – week of March 11, 2018
- Spring Term – Week of April 8, 2018 – week of May 6, 2018

Childcare is available any of the weeks HC is in session during the above terms with the following exceptions: *Nov 22 & 26, March 18, 21, 25, 28, April 1, 4, & April 29*. Childcare is \$30/month/family. The entire year for childcare is \$240 which can also be broken into two payments of \$120. To register your kids for childcare go to: <http://www.fellowshipconway.org/home-church-childcare/>.

Childcare Coordinators: We have two coordinators for Home Church childcare, Shanna Franklin (501-336-0332) and Destiny West (501-206-1046). They work very hard to ensure our kiddos (ages 8 and under) have a safe and engaging experience while under their care. Please let them know how much we appreciate their efforts which allow us to enjoy and interact with adults for a couple hours per week, knowing the kids are being well taken care of. If you have any concerns about our childcare, please let Shane know and he will address them.

Two Dinner and Discussion Dates: Home Church Leaders meet at Shane and Anna's two times per year for dinner and discussion to stay sharp as they lead the people in their Home Church. Childcare provided upon request.

- October 23, 24, 26, 30, and November 2 (choose one).
- January 29, 30, and February 1, 5, 6 (choose one).

Help Along the Way: We are here for you as you lead. Our aim is to serve you, resource you, be a sounding board, or help deal with issues that may arise in your Home Church. Please feel free to contact Shane (501-339-3954 or swanamaker@fellowshipconway.org) at any point. Check out the app or website for HC Leader helps – <http://www.fellowshipconway.org/homechurch/hc-leaders/>

Service Opportunities for 2017/2018: Serving together not only has an impact on our community, but has an effect on our Home Church members. We desire each Home Church to serve together two times per year. Below are some opportunities.

- **International Friendship Outreach Christmas Dinner** – The nations have come to Conway and we are having them over for a Christmas celebration **December 1, 2017** here at Fellowship. We are looking for multiple HC's to help throw the party providing food and conversation for the students, making them feel at home. **December 1, 2017 contact Miseon Kim (501) 205-9207 or mseong11@gmail.com.**
- **College & Young Adults lunches** – Investing in the next generation is happening right now and you can be a part of it. Our college and young adult ministry is looking for Home Churches to sign up to provide lunch, for about 15-25 adults, once a month here at Fellowship. This is a great opportunity to build relationships with this group who are in a critical stage of their life making life-changing decisions. **Choose a Sunday after morning worship September – April. Contact Zach Benton for more information zbenton@fellowshipconway.org.**

- **Fill the Boot** – Fellowship has members using their SHAPE to reach our community and you can join them. Opportunities include: shopping, wrapping gifts, writing Christmas cards, and/or taking a Saturday to hold a boot in a parking lot to get donations. Various dates – contact Charlie Bates for more information (870) 403-4305 or pilot.bates@gmail.com.
- **Fellowship Student Ministry Operation Christmas Child** – Each year our student ministry reaches globally through Operation Christmas Child by filling 500+ shoe boxes in one evening. This event takes a lot to pull off and we could use four Home Churches to partner in seeing this run smoothly. October 25th – Contact Emily Allison at 501-327-3444 or eallison@fellowshipconway.org
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- **Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week** – God is using a simple gift in a shoe box to bring the Gospel to the nations. During National Collection Week, why not host a HC packing party, or go shopping at the GO Store together, then assemble boxes over pizza? Packing parties should be done between November 12 – 19.
- **Renewal Ranch** – Join the men of Renewal Ranch by taking dinner out to feed the men and invest in them relationally. You will be blessed by hearing their stories of redemption, as well as sharing your own stories with them. Contact Josh Kear at (318) 614-7413.
- **Bethlehem House** – Bethlehem House serves our under resourced community seven days a week, 365 days a year. Schedule a time to provide dinner. Contact the Bethlehem House at 501-329-4862 or volunteer@bethlehemhouse.net
- **Soaring Wings Ranch** – Serving kids in the foster care system, Soaring Wings Ranch provides a Christian home for many kids. With such a large campus there are often projects that need help that a Home Church could work side by side and handle together. Contact Soaring Wings at (501) 849-2253.
- **Elderly Care** – Fellowship has a growing community of couples/widows that need special projects such as yard work or sprucing up their home from time to time. If your HC has a heart for serving our elderly, we will find where the need is and connect you. Contact Tracey Brister at (501) 329-1875



Roles of Home Church

Prayer Coordinator:

- Write down prayer requests (if you are unable to be there, ask someone to do so in your place).
- Find the best way to communicate prayer requests shared throughout the week.
- Work with HC Leader to occasionally change up how you do prayer (we have creative ideas to change it up on the web and app).

Hospitality Coordinator:

- Coordinate with all HC members willing to open their house to host. Make a schedule a month at a time, and communicate to the HC.
- Coordinate with all HC members willing and able to bring snacks to have a little something each week and make it easier on the host to focus on house prep and drinks. Make a schedule a month at a time and communicate to the HC.
- If your HC does a social, help coordinate location and food (if any).

Outreach Coordinator:

- Collect ideas from or bring to the HC some ideas for serving together (early in the term).
- Coordinate with HC leader to find a date that you both can commit to. Start with two couples committing to the date and then with HC.
- Coordinate the details with the location you will be serving together.
- Put it on the calendar of the HC and go for it. The goal is not 100% attendance. Start small and build over the years. If four couples can go, go for it!
- Take lots of pictures and share stories with those unable to be there.
- Share the serving opportunities with your outreach coordinator.

Missionary Coordinator:

- Connect with a member of the Missionary Care Team MCT. They will reach out to you.
- Get input from your HC or choose a missionary for your HC from options the MCT will share.
- Introduce yourselves (HC) to the missionary with a funny video, or email with picture accompanied by fun facts about members of your HC (one time).



Creating Your “InFellowship” Account

Every Fellowship member will eventually have an InFellowship account. Members of a Home Church can begin now to set up their account, which will give them access to one email distribution list for their group, or let them see their group members’ individual contact information. Below are instructions to log into Fellowship’s website and set up your InFellowship account:

- Go to www.fellowshipconway.org/InFellowship. Click on the **Sign Up!** tab.
- Fill out **Your Information** of first name, last name and **Account Information** of login email, password, and confirm password. Click **Create an Account**.
- You will see a message stating that an email has been sent to you with a link to Activate Your Account. If you do not receive the verification email, go back into InFellowship to re-send a verification email.
- Open the verification email and click on the link. Fill out the information and click **Save & Create Account**.
- When you have set up your InFellowship account, one of the first things we’d like you to do is go to the **Home** and **Privacy Settings** tabs. Please make sure to **Include me in the church directory**. This will allow the body of Fellowship to access an online church directory. You set your own privacy settings on this page.
- If you are a leader or member of a group, you can go to the **Groups** tab and check out your Home Church!

Welcome to InFellowship!



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