

September 8, 2009

Dear Parents,

This letter is to update you on some exciting NEW approaches we are doing in **Home Groups** this year. Home Groups will still be a place where students can develop a relationship with Jesus Christ, each other and their leaders, but this year we are kicking it into high gear! **Outlined below are some things that will be new this year:**

Home Groups will be divided into three Main 'CO-ED' Groups:

1. Wednesday, Junior High BOYS group (Bringham Home in Poway) **7-8:30pm**
2. Wednesday, Junior High GIRLS group (Kirkegaard Home in Poway) **6-7:30pm**
3. Tuesday, High School CO-ED group (O'Connell Home in Sabre Springs) **7-8:30pm**

** 12th grade students are encouraged to plug into **20 Somethings**, our young adult ministry, led by Sue Meissner.

Each student will be asked to register for Home Groups by filling out a Registration form (available on our website), and pay a small fee of \$25 (this will cover the costs of materials, food, and prizes throughout the year).

Home Group Leaders will serve in one of the following distinct capacities:

- **Coach:** Their responsibility is to be the "Mom" of the Home Group! They will prepare snacks, make sure that everyone is informed of crucial announcements, track each student's attendance, and encourage the Small Group Leaders to do what they do best...and that is ministering to your student in a 'Holistic' manner.
- **Teacher:** Their responsibility is to prepare and deliver the core message for the evening. They are the point person for the spiritual development of the Home Group.
- **Small Group Leader:** Their responsibility is to develop vital relationships with the students. The goal is to have a 6 to 1 'same gender' Student/Leader ratio. The Small Group Leader will meet with a smaller, gender specific group of students for the final 30 minutes of the evening. During this time, leaders will facilitate a Bible study that promises to include each student in the reading/learning/questioning/encouraging/praying/growing process.

We are pleased to announce that we will be using three VIDEO DRIVEN Bible Study curriculums from 'Blue Fish TV.' Blue Fish TV is a very progressive ministry that has helped hundreds of thousands students, across the world, connect with God's truth in a powerful way. Please visit their website at www.bluefishtv.com. Below are the 3 curriculums we're studying this year:

"FRIENDS"

KEY FOCUS: Biblical insight into the most common issues involving friends.

"CHOOSE"

KEY FOCUS: What's the most Spiritual thing you will choose to do today?

"PAUL IN ROME"

KEY FOCUS: Has anything really changed in 2000 years?

On behalf of the entire Youth Ministry Team, I want to thank you for allowing us to be a part of your student's life. And may I encourage you to continue to challenge your student to make Home Groups a priority because it truly is incredible to watch them consistently grow in Christ!

If you have any questions, please contact me at nate@thechurchatrb.org / 858.592.2434 x315.

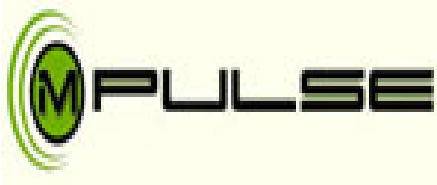
Blessings,



Nate Tibbs
Youth Pastor

This year we're kicking everything off on the 1st Wednesday of October (Oct. 7th), for an all age "Praise Nite" in the youth room. Then the following week, ALL Home Groups will meet at their respective homes. For more information, including a complete Home Groups schedule and locations, visit our website at:

www.thechurchatrb.org



2009-10 CALENDAR



JH Groups Meet on WEDNESDAYS and HS on TUESDAYS unless otherwise noted.

September

25 • Auto Electric Concert

October

7 • Youth Praise Night
13/14 • Home Groups Begin Series 1/Video 1
20/21 • Series 1/Video 2
27/28 • Series 1 Overview: Video 1&2
30 • Controlled Chaos

November

3/4 • Series 1/Video 3
10 • GAME NIGHT
11 • No Home Groups
17/18 • Series 1/Video 4
24 • No Home Groups

PUSD Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 23-27

December

1/2 • Series 1 Overview: Videos 3&4
8/9 • HG: Christmas Card Lane in PQ
15 • No Home Groups
16 • Holiday Talent Show

PUSD Winter Break
Dec 21-Jan 1

January

6 • Youth Praise Night
12 • Game Night
19 • First Day of Spring Semester
19/20 • Series 2/Video 1
26/27 • Series 2/Video 2

February

2/3 • Series 2 Overview: Videos 1&2
9/10 • Service Project (TBA)
15-19 • PUSD President's Week Break
23/24 • Series 2/Video 3

March

2/3 • Series 2/Video 4
9/10 • Series 2 Overview: Videos 3&4
16 • Game Night
23/24 • Series 3/Video 1
30/31 • Series 3/Video 2

April

5-9 • Spring Break
6/7 • No Home Groups
13/14 • Series 3 Overview: Videos 1&2
20/21 • Series 3/Video 3
27/28 • Series 3/Video 4

May

4/5 • Series 3 Overview: Videos 3&4
11/12 • No Home Groups
18 • GAME NIGHT
25/26 • End of Year Party!

June

8 • PUSD Last Day



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