

WEEK ONE, DISCIPLE MAKING

Introductory Meeting

The D group leader needs to pick up Scripture memory cards, the “Meeting God in His Word” study guide, and the “Sharing Your Testimony” instruction sheet before the first meeting. These are also available on the website for those who would prefer an electronic copy.

The first meeting is focused on getting acquainted and sharing an overview of the purpose of a discipleship group. The following are some guidelines for the leader for this week’s meeting:

- After a time of general discussion and introduction, open in a word of prayer, devoting each other and the time to the Lord.
- Share your testimony of what God has accomplished in your life through the discipleship process.
- While you won’t ask the individuals to share their salvation testimonies at this meeting, ask them to share about themselves. You will want to encourage them to write down important information such as the names of family members. You will also encourage them to swap contact information with each other.
- Discuss how Bellevue’s Vision Frame leads us to: Love God, Love People, Share Jesus, and Make Disciples. Through “multiplying disciple makers,” (one of the measures of Make Disciples), we become a catalyst for spiritual awakening in Memphis and beyond.
- Make sure and invest time in the “Meeting God in His Word” study guide. Reiterate that while we have several books to study this year, in reality, we have one Textbook, The Bible.
- Explain the “Sharing Your Testimony” instruction sheet. This is a great time for you to share your salvation testimony with them. Pretend you are sharing with someone who does not know you and who does not have a church background and doesn’t understand church “lingo” (*I walked the aisle, I prayed came forward during the invitation*). Do this in 3-5 minutes of time.

Close in prayer and pray for the people in your group during the week!