

The logo is centered on a black background. It features a blue mountain range silhouette at the top. Below it, the word "Summit" is written in a large, white, cursive font. Underneath "Summit" is the phrase "REACH • LEARN • LOVE • MULTIPLY" in a smaller, pink, sans-serif font. At the bottom of the central shield-like shape is a blue hexagon containing the year "2025" in black. The entire central graphic is surrounded by various geometric shapes: a blue and pink lightning bolt in the top left, a yellow triangle in the top right, a yellow and blue striped circle in the top right, a blue and white striped circle in the middle left, a yellow triangle in the middle right, a yellow and pink lightning bolt in the bottom left, a yellow triangle in the bottom left, a pink and black striped circle in the bottom right, and a white and pink lightning bolt in the bottom right.

Summit

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2025

Breaking the Mold: Keeping LifeGroups Fresh & Engaging

- We want to change up what we do each week to keep things fresh and not so predictable.
- Repetition is okay, but if we use the same format week after week things can grow stale.



Prayer

- This should be weekly but the way we do it can change. Whatever you do, spend more time praying than requesting prayer. God said, *'My House shall be a House of Prayer'*...not a house of prayer requests.
- In these examples we'll give, keep in mind we never want to embarrass someone who doesn't like to pray out loud.



Prayer Examples

- Pray in small groups of 2-3, remaining in chairs, turned to those nearby. Share requests with one another and have one person pray.
- Have a basket for prayer requests and make a prayer list for the class to use during the week.
- Provide the printed list of the Group's prayer requests and divide into larger groups, standing in prayer circles, praying aloud for as many requests as time allows.
- Praying for the person on your left and then on your right.
- Have someone guide the prayer time, moving from praise, thanksgiving, confession, and intercession.
- Share requests, encourage everyone to pray for a couple requests silently and then have your Prayer Coordinator close in prayer.

Testimonies/Reports

These should be done monthly or seasonally

- Once a month allow a member to share their 'story', especially including their salvation testimony and what Jesus is doing in their life now. Block out 10 minutes for this.
- Invite a Minister, Associate, or Intern to come every so often to share about their family/ministry and then have a special prayer over them.
- Have Shepherd Group Leaders share a 2-3-minute report on their sheep followed by a prayer over their group.



More Ideas

- Conversation Starters – Close time in discussion with a couple conversation starters provided by your Teacher, in groups of 2-3 or whatever is easiest depending upon your seating arrangement.
- Birthday/Get Well Cards – Members should be receiving these from their LifeGroup, either from the entire Group or their Shepherd Group Leader.
- Missions Emphasis/Projects – We want every LifeGroup serving on mission together. Participate in SERVE SATURDAYS but also consider other ways of doing missions together. There are many opportunities...ask your Divisional Minister!
- Scripture Memory – Bible Verse for the week
- Announcements – Do Share Highlights but please **do not** just read the announcements. Do send them via email to your LifeGroup members and prospects!

Weekly Examples

Week 1

- 9:15am- Fellowship Time
- 9:30am- Music
- 9:37am- Opening Prayer & Welcome
- 9:40am- Announcements
- 9:43am- Prayer Time
- 9:55am- Bible Study
- 10:30am- Closing Time
 - Allow for a Q&A
 - Close in Prayer
- 10:35am- Dismiss & Fellowship on your way to Worship!

Week 2

- 9:15am- Fellowship
- 9:30am- Music
- 9:37am- Opening Prayer & Welcome
- 9:40am- Testimony
- 9:48am- Prayer Time
- 9:55am- Bible Study
- 10:25am- Closing
 - Challenge the Group with a Bible Verse for the week
 - Teacher to provide two questions for small group discussion
 - Announcements
 - Closing Prayer
- 10:35am- Dismiss & Fellowship on your way to Worship!



DIVISIONAL BREAKOUTS

A1: Atrium ▪ Peyton Coker

A2: Rooms A101-A109 ▪ Dietrich Blakes

A3: The Commons ▪ Mark Matthews

A4: The Commons ▪ Jonathan Adkins

A5: West Wing ▪ Alan Moore

Open: Connection Room ▪ Matt Mullins

Young Singles: Worship Entrance B ▪ Peyton Coker

Single Adults: Sports & Fitness Center ▪ Brandon McFarland