



### **Taste of Groups:**

**Try Out a new Life Group on Sunday August 16 and 23 by attending Taste of Groups. All Sugar Grove Life Groups will have a relaxed cook out at host homes throughout the area to give everyone a chance to sample a couple of different Life Groups before they choose a group.**

## 2009/2010 Calendar

### August 2009– *Life Group Shuffle Month*

- 2- 1st Sunday/ Group Registration Begins
- 9- Group Choice/ Registration Continues
- 16- Taste of Groups 1
- 23- Taste of Groups 2
- 30- Leader Commissioning/ Sweet Gathering

### September 2009

- 6- 1st Sunday
- 13- Connecting With God/ Groups Begin
- 20- Connecting With Each Other
- 27- Connecting With Community

### October 2009

- 4- 1st Sunday
- 11- Connecting With God
- 18- Connecting With Each Other
- 25- Connecting With Community

### November 2009

- 8- 1st Sunday
- 15- Group Choice
- 22- Thanksgiving Break
- 29- Thanksgiving Break

### December 2009

- 6- 1st Sunday
- 13- Group Choice
- 20- Christmas Break
- 27- Christmas Break

### January 2010

- 3- 1st Sunday
- 10- Connecting With God
- 17- Connecting With Each Other
- 24- Connecting With Community
- 31- Sweet Gathering

### February 2010

- 7- 1st Sunday
- 14- Connecting With God
- 21- Connecting With Each Other
- 28- Connecting With Community

### March 2010

- 7- 1st Sunday
- 14- Connecting With God
- 21- Connecting With Each Other
- 28- Connecting With Community

### April 2010

- 4- Easter
- 11- Connecting With God
- 18- Connecting With Each Other
- 25- Connecting With Community

### May 2010

- 2- 1st Sunday
- 9- Connecting With God
- 16- Connecting With Each Other
- 23- Connecting With Community
- 30- 5th Sunday Break

### June 2010

- 6- 1st Sunday
- 13- Connecting With God
- 20- Connecting With Each Other
- 27- Connecting With Community

### July 2010

- 4- 1st Sunday
- 11- Connecting With God
- 18- Connecting With Each Other
- 25- Connecting With Community



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THE MISSION OF SUGAR GROVE LIFE GROUPS IS TO HELP EVERY GROUP MEMBER CONNECT WITH GOD, EACH OTHER, AND THE COMMUNITY.

- **Connect with God**- groups help each person grow in their spiritual relationship with God by providing a caring community of people who encourage one another in their faith journey through prayer, ministry, and accountability.
- **Connect with Each Other**- groups naturally form Biblical community as they share LIFE together. Biblical community is characterized by the development of one another focused relationships where it is common to find a listening ear, a compassionate hand, an encouraging voice, and a cherished group of friends.
- **Connect with Community**- groups are an ideal environment to see the world through the eyes of Jesus Christ. Since Life Groups are meeting throughout the community they begin to see and act upon opportunities to serve the community and reach out with the message of life.

The 2009-2010 Life Group Calendar is designed to help Sugar Grove Life Groups live out the mission of Connecting with God, Each Other, and the Community. Each weekly small group meeting will focus on one component of the three part Life Group mission.\*

- **1st Sunday**- Group Break and/or an opportunity to meet with Sunday Bible Class for fellowship.
- **2nd Sunday**- Connecting With God is an opportunity for groups to grow in their relationship with God. Group activities for this day could include Bible Study, Prayer, and worship.
- **3rd Sunday**- Connecting With Each Other is an opportunity to get to know each other and simply enjoy being together. Group activities for this day could include sharing a meal or desserts together, eating out or meeting at a coffee shop, going to a park or sports event together, and simply sharing stories of life together.
- **4th Sunday**- Connecting with Community is an opportunity to serve and reach the community. Group activities for this day could include participating in a service project as a group or inviting friends, neighbors, and relatives to a special group event.

\*Most Sugar Grove Life Groups meet on Sunday but for those groups that meet on other days of the week please adapt the intent of the calendar to work with your group schedule.

- Each group is different and will encounter unique scheduling issues so, as always, each group has the freedom to do what works best for that group.
- Don't give up meeting together! The fastest way to bring a group to a permanent end is to start skipping times to be together.
- The healthiest Life Groups share leadership!