

GRIP 2017 OVERVIEW

PURPOSE OF GRIP To provide a discipling environment where Christ-following men can invest in other Christ-following men, encouraging and challenging each other toward spiritual maturity and leadership effectiveness in the home, local church and marketplace. The goal is NOT just about individual spiritual maturity; it's about multiplying our life in others who will invest in yet others (2Tim 2:2).

EXPECTATIONS

1. Daily Bible reading and journaling. (Use our Bible reading plan OR your own.)
2. Meet with GRIP partner once a month – Listen, encourage, ask questions, challenge, pray
3. Attend and Participate in the Monday night gatherings (5). Be ready to share, learn, minister.
4. Diligently pursue action points between gatherings (Related to your HAND objectives)

TIME/DATES Mondays 6:30-9:00pm. (2017) 2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1, 5/22. Please check to see that you are available for these dates. Every effort should be made to make all the gatherings.

LOCATION Monday Large gatherings held at Woodland Hills Community Church, 2626 Ashland Road, Columbia, SC 29210. (near I-20 and I-26)

FINANCIAL COST We don't want finances to preclude any man. Our goal is to break even.

\$40 – GRIP Admin fee (*GRIP Guide Spring 2017, Each One Reach One*, Admin, waters, M&M's, etc)

\$15 – *GRIP manual* (this will also be available electronically as a pdf for free)

\$50 – Meal Plan including 5 healthy meals (Guys can also choose to bring their own or not eat)

PLAN A - \$105 (includes everything: GRIP Admin, *GRIP manual*, Meal plan)

PLAN B - \$90 (includes GRIP Admin & Meal plan) **for the man who already has a *GRIP manual***

PLAN C - \$55 (includes GRIP Admin & *GRIP manual*) ***for the man who declines the meal plan***

PLAN D - \$40 (includes GRIP Admin) ***for the man who has a GRIP manual and declines meal plan***

ALL \$ Balances due at first large gathering on Feb 6.

MATERIAL

- The Bible will be our primary material.
- HAND - The grid that we use to think about our lives: Key Relationships and Key Resources
- *GRIP Guide Spring 2017*- presents the flow, reading plan, special content of this GRIP season.
- *GRIP Manual* – This short handbook helps us process our own HAND action items and explains discipleship. Used Primarily to on personal retreat to identify GRIP action points.
- *Each One Reach One* – This book will help us dial in our focus on outreach

MONTHLY GATHERING FORMAT Each of the Monday nights (6:30 - 9:00pm) we will...

- Eat together and fellowship (so please come on time..whether you have meal plan or not)
- Training / Equipping / Exhorting, usually focused around one Key Hand Relationship or Resource
- Small group time to share successes & failures and updates on action items and Bible application
- One-on-one time with GRIP partner

APPLICATION This is a formal commitment and requires the key people in your life to sign off. This includes your wife, your children over 10 years old, and your pastor. Because GRIP is designed around pairings, **the application is submitted as a paring**. The deadline for the application is Jan 30th.

CONTENT FOCUS This Spring we will have a special focus on the last two HAND Relationship Fingers: Helping another believer grow and reaching out to someone not yet in Christ.

GRIP COVENANT *I purpose to allow God to fully grip my heart and to grow to be the man (husband, father, businessman, church leader, etc) He has called me to be. I acknowledge that any growth is by God's grace and in the power of His Spirit and not by my own strength. At the same time I acknowledge that God expects me to apply much effort, putting myself in a position to let God do His thing in my life. May my mind and heart be quick to remember "Apart from Me you can do nothing" (John 15:5) before I claim the promise, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me" (Phil 4:13).*

