

1. What are Home Teams?

A group of people who come together once a week for a common purpose and are led by an identified host who is assisting them in their progress toward full devotion to Christ by intentionally providing an environment for connection, community, and spiritual formation.

2. How are groups going to be formed?

- Each person is given the flexibility to form their own group or attend the group of their choice
- Groups can be formed by affinity with geography a consideration
- Some Home Team Hosts will be looking to form completely new groups
- Some groups formed from our current structure may choose to continue

3. When can groups meet?

Anytime except during regularly scheduled services

4. What about childcare?

Here are some options:

- Have everyone in the group be responsible for their own babysitter
- Pool your money together and hire a babysitter who can watch the kids in Another room or nearby house:
- Keep all the kids at another group members' house with a babysitter
- Parents rotate watching kids in another room
- Whatever best meets the needs of your particular group

5. How is a new person going to connect with a group?

There will be several avenues for new people to connect into Home Teams.

- Connection points such as our Care Ministry
- C.L.A.S.S. 101 & 201
- Special Connection Services
- Points throughout the year where pastor Jeff aligns a sermon series with a Home Team study
- New people's info. being emailed to Home Team Hosts each week
- Home Teams Kiosk in The Gathering Place with computers allowing prospects to browse available Home Teams

6. What about seeing all my friends?

There are several mid-level connection points.

- Plan to sit together for dinner and Wed. evening Bible Study
- New fellowship gathering place between the two Sunday services
- Demographic activities can be planned by your Home Team

7. What about people who won't go to a Home Team?

No interest was shown in an open enrollment adult Sunday School class. Those who won't go to a Home Team miss out on Broadway's most vital point of connection.

8. How are the Home Team Hosts trained?

- The curriculum we will be using has built in host home training

- Quarterly Home Team Host Coaching sessions
- Not all questions need to wait for training times; Pastor Barry is our point person for Home Teams and is available to you
- 40 Days Home Team Host Rally on Sat. February 25th 10:00 AM - 12 Noon

9. What material will we use in Home Teams?

- 40 Days of Community Study
- DVD studies from LifeTogether
- Other quality DVD studies

10. How big should my group be?

- 6 since we plan on reaching others
- Groups around 10 to 12 begin to provide a place to hide

11. What does it take to be a Host?

Host is an acronym for:

- H**ave a heart for our church family
- O**pen your home for a six week video seminar
- S**erve some coffee or soft drinks and
- T**ell your friends

12. What are the core values of Home Teams?

- T**ogether
- E**vangelism
- A**vailability
- M**issions
- S**ervice

13. Can I move from my current group to another group?

- Yes, but please try a group for 6 weeks before moving on
- There is flexibility to even try several groups before settling on one

14. Is the DVD Curriculum geared toward the whole family where kids or teens could sit in on our group?

- I doubt you group will experience much intimacy with kids involved on a regular basis
- There is flexibility for each group to decide when it's appropriate for kids and when it is not

15. Now that our children don't have the same type of Sunday School, is there something else we can do with them?

- Yes, the hour for children will go up to kids in the 5th grade and offer more than it currently does
- A brand new program is going to be introduced to parents called "Family Times"

16. Is there curriculum for our Jr. and Sr. High Students?

- Yes, they will be on the same small group lessons as adults but it is written and geared for their age
- This provides some great family discussions

17. Can I form and Host a group with people who are not my age?

- Yes, feel free to have different affinities in your group

18. Do Home Teams completely replace our different Sunday School Classes such as Homebuilders, Lifebuilders, and Strong Foundations?

Yes

19. What about those who drag their feet and don't want to get involved in a Home Team?

- We will have to work hard as leadership to bring them into a Home Team

20. Is there a way to track who is in a Home Team and who is not?

Yes, through our people data base called Shelby and our Home Teams system called ChurchTeams

21. Can Silent Praise use the same curriculum as we are?

Yes, its is closed captioned

22. Is there any way one Home Team can reach out and minister to another Home Team?

Yes, we will be encouraging this

23. Why are we doing this?

Matthew 22:37-40 says:

"Jesus said to Him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart...soul...mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Laws and the Prophets.'"

Because of this scripture, our Home Teams Mission is, "Building A Community To Reach A Community!"