Guide to your first meetings

One of the keys to success is starting well and in the right direction.

Weeks before- Finalizing details, find a core, start promoting your group

- Fill out the “Groups Information Sheet” and email it to groups@denverunited.com.
- Review “Group agreement”, add any personal additions to the vision, values or expectations.
- Find 2-3 people in your current circle to invite to be apart of the initial launch group.
- If you don’t have a study given to you, choose a study and order materials. (See “recommended resources”, run all studies not on this list by your coach)
- Review the “7 ways to market your group.”
- Represent your group at GroupConnect, and follow up with those interested with a personal invite to the first meeting.
- Pray for your group, those who will be attending, and favor with those that need to be apart of the group.

While you have freedom to format your meeting, we ask you to follow our recommendations for the first couple of weeks.

First Meeting – Build Relationship & glance at the semester!
The purpose of this meeting is to form relationship and get to know each other. There needs to be significant time for socializing and for group members to share about themselves. We also recommend time for people to talk about what they are hoping of the group. Last, hand out the semester “Tentative Calendar.”

Second Meeting- What is the Group & Where are we going?
The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the “United Groups Agreement”, briefly talk about the study, and review/finish out the “Tentative Calendar.” Make sure to get feedback and make any corrections that are needed. Last, don’t forget you are still getting to know each other, so have plenty of time to socialize.

Third Meeting- Ease into the Study
The goal of this meeting is to ease into what will be the normal format and focus for the semester. This is a wonderful time to begin sharing ownership of the group (ex: have people sign up for different responsibilities).