

SMALL GROUPS



**CHURCH
ON THE ROCK**

**Summer 2022
June 5th - July 31st**

Church On The Rock Small Groups

Make That Call And Join A Group Today!

Here, at Church On The Rock, we encourage everyone to be a part of a Small Group. Small Groups are fun and exciting in a variety of ways! They are an opportunity to meet new friends while enjoying the company of friends you already know.

Your Small Group Leaders have carefully planned these events for you. Be adventurous and give them a call to find out more about any groups that you are interested in. It is your call and participation that will make Small Groups everything they are meant to be!

**CALL TODAY AND BRING CHURCH A
LITTLE CLOSER TO HOME!**

CHURCH ON THE ROCK SMALL GROUPS

In times of need and times of fun, Church On The Rock (COTR) Small Groups are your source of friendship and support. They are your key to developing connections with those who share your interests or people who are dealing with similar life issues.

Small Groups are an opportunity to reach out to others, while growing in your walk with the Lord. Most groups meet at least once a month in homes, businesses or restaurants. There are three semesters throughout the year. We offer Free Market Small Groups, meaning you can come and go as you please. We just encourage you to get connected. You'll never fully experience all that Church On The Rock has to offer until you connect in a Small Group!

"Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Christ." Acts 5:42

Small Groups were vital to the Church's growth then and they are just as vital now.

Small groups provide three things:

- 1. A Place to Connect.**
- 2. A Place to Protect.**
- 3. A Place to Perfect.**

We all need places and times to connect and fellowship. We need opportunities to be ministered to and to minister to others.

Somebody needs to know where you hurt and struggle. You're not protected if no one knows what you are dealing with.

We all need to grow in our faith and love for God!

Adult

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Pastor Tad Mathews & Pastor Jerome Jones - 941-729-3800

Meets weekly on Wednesdays, at 7:00p.m. in the Family Room at Church On The Rock. Join Pastor Tad and Pastor Jerome for a weekly Bible Study, short time of worship, and fellowship in a relaxed and enjoyable environment. Join us each week as we study together! This Small Group begins June 8th.

Date Night

Laura & Curtis Simmons – 941-704-5334

This is a Small Group for married couples that meets once a month on Saturdays, in the late afternoon, at various locations to see a movie then have dinner, or sometimes just have dinner. If you like movies, like to eat, love to laugh and are a married couple, than this is the Small Group for you!! Sorry, no kids allowed, this one is just for mom and dad :-)

Park and Fun

Dana Lewis – 941-713-4212

Let's meet once a week or every other week on Tuesdays at 2pm at a local park in Manatee County. While the kids have a fun time at the park, parents can mingle! Emerson, Riverwalk, The Nest! There are a lot of great parks to choose from. Pack a snack and let's get those kids out of the house and building healthy Godly friendships between the kids and adults.

Tehillah Thursday

Pastor Sunshine Mathews – 941-729-3800

No spectators! Participants only! :-) There is nothing we need more than God's presence. And when we bring a Tehillah praise, an enthusiastic, adoring, glorifying, fame-bringing, public praise, God makes His home there. Psalm 22:3 tells us this, "But You are holy, O You who inhabits the Tehillah of Israel." On June 16th and July 14th from 6:30-8pm, we will be having a night of praise and worship at COTR in the sanctuary. These nights are going to be unforgettable as we minister to the heart of God. I know that you will be blessed.

4 for 5

Pastor Shelly Riker – 941-729-3800

Do you want to grow in your relationship with God? Do you want to experience God's presence come alive in your life? If you answered YES to those questions, this Small Group is for you! In this Small Group we will encourage each other to implement four daily habits in our lives. The habits are Prayer, Worship, The Word, and Friendship. Join us at Tenth Street Coffee on Saturdays at 9am as we renew our love for God and grow dynamically in our relationship with Him!

Men

The ROMEO Club

Bob Stokes – 614-578-2613

Hey Romeo! Do you want to join the ROMEO club? (Retired Old Men Eating Out = Romeo). We invite retired men, or any man, to join us for breakfast every Friday at 9:00 am at Tenth Street Coffee. This will be a time of coffee, good food, good fellowship, and bad jokes. Come enjoy time together with other ROMEO's in our Church Family!

Dispatching Disciples

Stuart Harber – 941-518-2901

A small group dedicated to the mental health of all men. We will meet biweekly on Mondays, pray with each other, then go out to the areas of our cities that need to see Christ the most and display exactly that. There is nothing like praying for our community and showing the love of Christ to those who may not see it often.

***“Transformation
happens in
small groups.”***

Women

Ladies Breakfast

Ruth Mathews – 941-735-8321

Meets weekly, on Fridays, at 9:00a.m. at Popis. This is a time of fellowship and encouragement for women. We will be meeting for breakfast to talk, enjoy eachothers company, and experience God's presence together!

Wednesday Evening Ladies Group

Erica Weaver – 941-730-4752

Wednesday evening ladies' small group goes outdoors for the summer! Come join us as we encourage each other in our "walks" - both physically and spiritually! We'll meet at the bridge at 6:45 Wednesday evenings. This group will be low impact and is about moving our bodies and fellowshiping together. Bring a sweat towel and water bottle, and come encourage one another in our walks with the Lord!

Ladies Ministry

Ruth Mathews – 941-729-3800

This ministry is an opportunity for women of all ages to join together for encouragement, relationship building, fun, celebration and spiritual growth. All females from Middle School and beyond are invited. We want every woman to know that you are fully loved.

Children

Kids Rock Wednesdays

Pastor Tim - 941-729-3800

Meets weekly on Wednesdays, from 6:30p.m. - 8:00p.m., in the Children's Building. This Small Group is for children and includes classes and activities for potty trained 3 year olds through the 5th grade. "Kids Rock Wednesdays" is a night that involves both large and small team games and activities, including Bible Stories, Scripture memorization and crafts.

Young Adult

Beach Volleyball

Pastor Jerome Jones - 941-729-3800

Join us Monday Nights at 6:30 pm to sunset out at Holmes Beach to play beach volleyball! We will have a short time of devotion, play volleyball, and have a lot of fun hanging out with each other!

Youth

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Simply Youth Bible Study

Paige Ashley - 941-725-8832

Bible Study meets weekly on Friday at 9:30am at Tenth Street Coffee. A lot of times it's hard to pick up the Bible and truly interact with it. This group makes that process just a little bit easier. With encouraging, supporting, and relatable voices around us, let's go after God and His heart together! We want to move His heart! Let's get to know it!

Sports

Shelly Riker - 941-729-3800

Join us on the 1st Wednesday of every month in the Youth Room throughout the semester for Small Group Night. This small group loves to play any sport. Each time we meet, we will pick a different sport game to play like dodgeball, kickball, etc. If you love to be outside, have fun, and play games, then you will love this small group! You don't want to miss Small Group Nights at The Uprising at 6:30p.m. on the 1st Wednesday night of every month!

Art

Kaylee Bolles - 941-729-3800

Join us on the 1st Wednesday of every month in the Youth Room throughout the semester for Small Group Night. This small group is focused solely on Art. We will learn different art techniques like watercolor, calligraphy, and drawing, as well do fun projects that let you be creative in a fun and encouraging way! You don't want to miss Small Group Nights at The Uprising at 6:30p.m. on the 1st Wednesday night of every month!

Game Night

Paige Ashley - 941-729-3800

Join us on the 1st Wednesday of every month in the Youth Room throughout the semester for Small Group Night. If you love spending time with friends and playing games, this is great small group for you! We will be playing board games, card games, and having a great time hanging out with each other! You don't want to miss Small Group Nights at The Uprising at 6:30p.m. on the 1st Wednesday night of every month!

Small groups
are not a
program
of the church,
**THEY ARE
THE CHURCH**



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Posting pictures with your
Small Group this semester?

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Two people are
better off than
one, for they can
help each other
succeed.

Ecclesiastes 4:9

**WE PROCLAIM HIM, ADMONISHING
AND TEACHING EVERYONE WITH ALL
WISDOM, SO THAT WE MAY PRESENT
EVERYONE PERFECT IN CHRIST.**

WE PROCLAIM HIM

WIN PEOPLE

TEACHING EVERYONE

DISCIPLE PEOPLE

PRESENT EVERYONE PERFECT

PUT PEOPLE IN MINISTRY

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