



FACILITATOR GUIDELINES

Here are some suggestions for serving as a facilitator of a Redeemer Neighborhood Group.

- You will be the main communicator with your group, sending text messages or emails to participants to remind them of upcoming gatherings.
- Talk with your host to see if they want to do potluck-style. If so, communicate with the group participants ahead of each gathering and ask them to sign up to bring an appetizer, dessert, or beverage to share.
- Send a reminder email or text message to the group a few days before each gathering. Ask participants to always wear their Redeemer name tag.
- We will host a kickoff session for facilitators and hosts in May. At this meeting, we will provide tips, training, and a bag with supplies for each facilitator.
- Please bring the facilitator bag with you to each gathering. (The bag will include the devotional book, discussion materials, bell, pen, and back-up name tags.)
- Follow the provided agenda for the devotional time. The agenda will include an opening collect, devotional reading, discussion questions, and closing prayer.
- Use the bell included in your facilitator bag to get everyone's attention at the start of the devotion/discussion time at each gathering.
- Emphasize that "what is shared in the room, stays in the room."
- Be okay with silence after a discussion question is asked because sometimes it takes time for members of the group to articulate their thoughts.
- Identify a co-facilitator from the group participants as soon as possible to facilitate if you are unavailable for a gathering.
- Have a Bible or Bible app available in case you need to look something up.
- Prioritize your own spiritual growth and set an example for the group.