



# better together

*Let's do this!*

GROWTH GROUP FALL 2017 CATALOG

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## faq's

### HOW DO GROWTH GROUPS WORK?

Relationships matter so we take time each week to do life together. We hang out with people who are similar to us and want to grow spiritually. This is where we get connected with others heading in the same direction.

### HOW LONG DO GROWTH GROUPS LAST?

Most of our groups last six weeks with the occasional group wrapping up in as little as four and a few that elect to continue a little longer. Our groups meet weekly for about 90 minutes unless otherwise noted.

### WHAT'S THE EASIEST WAY TO JOIN A GROWTH GROUP?

Go online to [thrivechurch.cc](http://thrivechurch.cc) and register for the group of your choice. Once you've signed up, the facilitator for your group will send you a confirmation within 48 hours. — IT'S THAT EASY!

### IS THERE CHILDCARE IN GROWTH GROUPS?

Many groups have figured out a system for childcare and it will be noted in the listing if childcare is available, or if children are welcome.

### WHAT IF I FORGET TO SIGN UP BEFORE IT CLOSES?

We have a few groups that are open all season, but if you want a specific group, sign up early to lock in your preferred choice.

### IS THERE A COST?

It is free to join a Growth Group. There may be a nominal cost for materials depending on the group you join. Most listings will provide specifics on any costs you can expect.

### WHAT IF I MISS A WEEK?

We know that everyone has to miss a week from time to time for various reasons. But, if you want to get the most out of your group, it helps to make it a priority. Just know there is no "group truancy officers" that will show up at your door and ask you awkward questions about why you missed group. If you're out for an extended time, we encourage you to contact your facilitator and to keep up with your groups progress.

# find a growth group

Life is not meant to be lived alone. In fact, God hates loneliness. You were created to experience life with other people, and that's why at Thrive, we encourage you to get into a growth group.

A group includes 3 or more people who gather each week in a home, workplace or the church. In a group, you'll hang out, study the Word and pray together.

Groups come in all shapes and sizes — married couples, singles, men, women, kids, no kids, fitness, students, hobbies — the list goes on. No matter where you are in life, there's a group for you.

**Ready to dive in? Check out this catalog to find a group that fits you! »**

## sundays

### **TWILIGHT ZONE!**

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Come enjoy a fun night with family and friends as we watch a thought-provoking episode of The Twilight Zone with an unexpected twist! We'll explore moral lessons and see what the Bible has to say about these lessons over dinner! This group promises to be the perfect balance of good times, good food and great discussions. Bring a dish to share!

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**Lead By:** Carolyn & Frank Tortorice

**Sundays:** 5:30-7:30pm / 3907 Westerdale Drive, Fulshear

**Childcare:** No

**Requirements:** Bring a dish to share

**This group is open for FAMILIES WITH TEENS**

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### **LEVEL-UP — YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 18-25)**

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You're ready to take the next steps! This discussion based group is where you'll make friends and discover together how to find balance as you go to the next level on your campus, in your career, and in life.

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**Lead By:** Bob and Ashley Bromgard

**Sundays:** 6:30-7:30pm / Thrive Church - Volunteer Central

Childcare: No

This group is open for 18-25 year olds

## mondays

### HOW TO LEAD STRONG

Some Leaders are born, MOST are taught! Grow your leadership skill-set every Monday morning! We'll meet at Starbucks to learn solid leadership principles that will make us better leaders for others to follow throughout the week!

**Lead By:** Jeremy Scudder

**Mondays:** 6:00-7:00am / Starbucks

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for ANYONE**

### SUNSHINE AND PLAYTIME! — MOMS AND KIDS

Hey moms with little ones at home, this group is for YOU! We'll meet at a different play place each week. Enjoy making a new friend over great conversations while the kids play.

**Lead By:** Courtney Garza and Jamie Vignali

**Mondays:** 10:00-11:30am / Various locations

**Childcare:** No

**Fee:** Per location

**This group is open for MOMS**

### NO PAIN, NO GAIN!

It takes discipline and training to get fit--whether it's in your walk with Christ or your physical habits! This group is for the Bros who are ready to step it up and hit it hard! Drew is a Personal Trainer at a local gym and JoeLewis has a passion for digging in and knowing God's Word at a next level. Together, these men will be tag-teaming to help you grow in your spiritual and physical disciplines for the win! Come dressed to sweat and ready for a challenge!

**Lead By:** JoeLewis Pena and Drew Jarrett

**Mondays:** 6:30-7:30pm / Thrive Church - Thrive Live Room / (Toddler - Childwatch)

**Childcare:** Yes (for a fee, to be determined)

**Materials:** Workout clothes

**This group is open for MEN**

### KEEP IT R.E.A.L.!

This group is for women of all seasons looking to connect and be REAL! REAL women focus on R-elationships, E-ncouragement, A-ccountability, and L-aughter! We will have fun together as we grow, pray and strengthen our bond with each other and God. Come join this group. We'll kick off our shoes, relax and get REAL.

**Lead By:** Jessica Pena

**Mondays:** 7:00-8:30pm / Thrive Church - PreK Room

**Childcare:** Yes (for a fee, to be determined)

**This group is open for WOMEN**

### CELEBRATE RECOVERY

This tried and true 12 Step Recovery Group is aimed at helping men and women breaking free from hurts, habits and hang-ups. These include, but are not limited to: drugs, alcohol, eating disorders, compulsive spending and other addictions. It's time to break free!

**Lead By:** Joel McComas

**Mondays:** 7:00-9:00pm / Thrive Church - Volunteer Central

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for MEN AND WOMEN**

## tuesdays

### HOW TO BECOME A SUPER DAD

Dads this group is for you! Enjoy a special time hanging with other great dads and their kids while participating in fun activities. Activities may include, but are not limited to: Laser tag, Go-Carts, Dodge Ball Night, Movies and Ice Cream, Nerf War, Batting cages, mini golf and a lot more fun! You won't want to miss this opportunity to make lasting memories with your kids!

**Lead By:** Tom Elmore

**Tuesdays:** 6:30-8:00pm / Locations vary

**Childcare:** No

**Fee:** Per event

**This group is open for Dads and their kids ages 5-11**

### FIND HOPE, FIND HEALING

There's HOPE! Maybe you've experienced the loss of a loved one through death or divorce. This supportive and encouraging group is here to help you walk through grief and find healing! Through prayer, listening, sharing and studying God's Word together, you will find the strength and courage to walk out the days ahead of you with newfound purpose and strength.

**Lead By:** Darlene Hill

**Tuesdays:** 6:30-8:30pm / 4406 FM 359 Rd S, Brookshire

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for WOMEN**

### FIGHT CLUB!

This group of men is determined to see God move in our families starting with us! This Fall, we'll be discussing Craig Groeschel's book: *Fight: Some Battles Are Worth Fighting For!* By looking at Samson's life, you'll learn to defeat the demons that make strong men weak. You'll tap into a strength you never knew was possible. With God's help, you'll find strength to fight the battles you know you must win!

**Lead By:** Tyler Risinger

**Tuesdays:** 7:00-8:30pm / Thrive Church - Thrive Live Room

**Childcare:** Yes (for a fee, to be determined)

**Book:** *FIGHT*, by Craig Groeschel

**This group is open for MEN**

### WOMAN-TO-WOMAN MENTORING

Life is a journey! And the Bible has a lot to say about that journey! What if you could help another woman as she walks her life out? The Bible encourages this very process! If you would like to experience the joy of using your life experiences to encourage and mentor another woman or if you are seeking the support and friendship of a Christian Mentor, THIS group is for YOU!

**Lead By:** Liz Stewart

**Tuesdays:** 7:00-8:30pm / 7845 Bois d Arc, Richmond

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for WOMEN**

### STRONG WOMEN — STRONG FAITH

An invisible war rages around you - unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect of your life. The GREAT NEWS - God has given us what we need to win! This study is an action plan for putting on the armor of God and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory. If you're tired of being pushed around and caught with your guard down, this study is for you.

**Lead By:** Debbi Wacasey and Emily Makhoulouf

**Tuesdays:** 7:00-8:30pm / Thrive Church - Volunteer Central

**Childcare:** Yes (for a fee, to be determined)

**Book:** *Armor of God*, by Priscilla Shirer

**This group is open for WOMEN**

## wednesdays

### FAITH HAS TEETH!

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Kristen and Jason have been leading the charge in Thrive's Harvey Relief efforts! They believe faith has teeth! This group will be diving into the book *LOVE DOES*, by Bob Goff, and learning how to move from feeling love, to action.

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**Lead By:** Kristen & Jason Jarrell

**Wednesdays:** 7:00-8:30pm / Thrive Church - Thrive Live Room

**Childcare:** No

**Book:** *Love Does*, by Bob Goff

**This group is open for ANYONE**

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### GIRLS ONLY!

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Every Wednesday night at One Youth, Jr. High Girls break into their own group where they build friendships, learn and dig into age-appropriate, relevant topics from a Biblical perspective. We wrap up each night with prayer, next right steps, chill time and food! Bring a friend! See you at One Youth!

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**Lead By:** Ashley Bromgard and Jessica Hansen

**Wednesdays:** 6:00-7:30pm / Thrive Church

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for GIRLS 6TH-8TH GRADE**

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### WHAAAAAT?

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Every Wednesday night at One Youth, Jr. High Boys break into their own group where they build friendships, learn and dig into age-appropriate, relevant topics from a Biblical perspective. We wrap up each night with prayer, next right steps, chill time and food! Bring a friend! See you at One Youth!

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**Lead By:** Sandy Therrien and Zack Hansen

**Wednesdays:** 6:00-7:30pm / Thrive Church

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for BOYS 6TH-8TH GRADE**

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### GIRLS WITH SWORDS

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Every Wednesday night at One Youth, Sr. High Girls break into their own group where they build friendships, learn and dig into age-appropriate, relevant topics from a Biblical perspective. We wrap up each night with prayer, next right steps, chill time and food! Bring a friend! See you at One Youth!

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**Lead By:** Holly Tolbert

**Wednesdays:** 6:00-7:30pm / Thrive Church

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for GIRLS 9TH-12TH GRADE**

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### THE TRIBE

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Every Wednesday night at One Youth, Sr. High Boys break into their own group where they build friendships, learn and dig into age-appropriate, relevant topics from a Biblical perspective. We wrap up each night with prayer, next right steps, chill time and food! Bring a friend! See you at One Youth!

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**Lead By:** Tyler Risinger and Bob Bromgard

**Wednesdays:** 6:00-7:30pm / Thrive Church

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for BOYS 9TH-12TH GRADE**

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## thursdays

### ROCK SOLID MARRIAGE!

You have to have a license to drive, a degree for most careers and fill out applications for major purchases; but \$80 and an “I do” and you’re married. *Marriage on the Rock*, by Jimmy Evans, is a road map of Biblical principles that will show you how to WIN in marriage! Whether you find yourself at a low or high point in your relationship, you can learn real answers to make your relationship a success!

**Lead By:** Brendon & Kim Webb

**Thursdays:** 6:00-7:30pm / 25411 Farrier Drive, Richmond

**Childcare:** No

**Book:** *Marriage on the Rock* by Jimmy Evans (recommended)

**This group is open for COUPLES**

### TRAIN TO WIN!

Getting fit physically, emotionally and spiritually is tough! You have to TRAIN TO WIN! It would be easier if God just gave us a free pass in life; but, we have to learn to step it up, accept the tension and embrace the suck! In this 6 week class, we will get out of our comfort zone and explore 6 different styles of fitness! Each week, we’ll discuss physical and spiritual disciplines that can lead us on the divine journey God has laid before us. Finish the week strong!

**Lead By:** Val Robertson

**Thursdays:** 7:00-8:15pm / Thrive Church - Thrive Live Room

**Childcare:** Yes (for a fee, to be determined)

**Materials:** Work out clothes and bulldog tenacity

**This group is open for ANYONE**

### FREEBIRDS — EMPTY NESTERS

What do you do when the kids are gone? The sky’s the limit! Great years are ahead to dream God-sized dreams, venture into new pursuits, and enjoy the spontaneity of the moment! With new-found freedom comes great opportunities! Come meet new friends, have fun together, serve together and discover together what God has in store for this exciting stage in life!

**Lead By:** E.W. and Kathy Todd

**Thursdays:** 7:00-8:30pm / Thrive Church - Lobby

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for MEN AND WOMEN**

### BACKSTAGE PASS!

Creative Arts at Thrive is the place to be! Come do life with the Band and Production Team every other Thursday night! This group has fun enjoying good food, lively conversation and a great time dreaming out loud about music, sound, media, life and what God has to say about it all! If you’re a part or interested in learning more, this group is for you. \*(Serving requires training and/or auditions).

**Lead By:** Eddie Martinez

**Thursdays:** 7:00-8:30pm / 27326 Royal Canyon Ln., Katy

**Childcare:** No

**This group is open for ANYONE**

## fridays

### FAMILY FUN FRIDAY

Want to connect with other families in a kid-friendly home environment? This group is for you! Every-other Friday, pack up the car and bring your family over. After we share some food together, the kids will head upstairs to hang-out, play and watch a movie. The adults will get to know each other in a fun and relaxed setting. Come as you are! First Group starts Friday, October 20th!

**Lead By:** Brian and Kelly Buffington

**Fridays starting Oct. 20:** 6:30-8:30pm / 4918 Cibolo Creek Ct., Fulshear

**Childcare:** Yes

**This group is open for FAMILIES**

## saturdays

### MAN UP!

We are a bunch of men helping coach each other to be better husbands and fathers. Join us as we unpack what Authentic Manhood looks like from God's perspective!

**Hosted By:** Mark Newton

**Saturdays:** 7:30-8:30am / Thrive Church

**Childcare:** No

**Materials:** Bible

**This group is open for MEN**

### SECRET SISTERS

Want to meet new friends? Like getting gifts? Want to be in more than one group? This group is for you! This is a low commitment group! For our first meeting, we'll meet at a restaurant Saturday, October 21 and get to know each other. Over the next couple of months, we'll leave gifts at the church anonymously and/or send card in mail and pray over our Secret Sister and her family. We'll meet again at the end for a Christmas Party and reveal who the Secret Sisters are. Come be a part of this fun way to get to know other Thrive Ladies.

**Lead By:** Krystal Threet

**Saturday, Oct. 21:** Afternoon / location TBD

**Childcare:** No

**This group is WOMEN**

### A CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW

If we don't really believe the truth of God and live it, then our witness will be confusing and misleading. Most of us go through life not recognizing that our personal worldviews have been deeply affected by the world. By diligently learning, applying and trusting God's truth in every area of our lives, we will begin to form appropriate responses to the world around us.

**Lead By:** Chuck and Liz Stewart

**Saturdays:** 6:00-7:30pm

**Childcare:** No

**This group is CLOSED**



# FALL GROWTH GROUP SEASON

OCTOBER 15 - DECEMBER 3

**why  
should  
i join a  
growth  
group**



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At Thrive, relationships matter.

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Faith is meant to be lived out in community.

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Growth Groups are a place for everyone.

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Make new friends.

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Pray for each other.

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Encourage each other.

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Move forward in your faith.

## JOIN A GROWTH GROUP... IT'S EASY!

**1**

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Visit [thrivechurch.cc/groups](https://thrivechurch.cc/groups) and click on the link at the bottom of the page.

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Browse the list of groups and SIGN UP for the one you want to attend.

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Groups start October 15. Expect a prompt email from the facilitator with details and directions!

