

Choosing Your OUT-Project

LIVING OUT THE UP-IN-OUT LIFE TOGETHER

Grow Groups are built around a simple but powerful rhythm: UP-IN-OUT. UP is your relationship with God, growing through Scripture, prayer, and worship. IN is your relationship with each other, building authentic community, care, and accountability. OUT is where your faith moves beyond your group and into the lives of others through service and mission. Most groups naturally do UP and IN well. You gather, study, pray, and build relationships. **But OUT is what truly sets Grow Groups apart.** Without it, groups can become inward-focused and comfortable. With it, faith becomes active. You begin to live out what you are learning, not just talk about it. OUT helps your group move from simply meeting together to living on mission together.

Your OUT-Project is a shared mission your group commits to for a season. It is not about individuals serving on their own, but about choosing something your group can rally around together. It can be something completed within a semester or something you continue long-term. Either way, the goal is the same: to live outward-focused lives and make a meaningful impact.

HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR OUT-PROJECT

1. Start with Prayer

Take time as a group to ask God where He is already at work and how He might be inviting you to join Him. This step helps shift your focus from just picking something to aligning with God's mission.

2. Explore the Options

Visit the OUT opportunities page: ridgepointwichita.com/out. Where you can see options for both inside Ridgepoint Church and outside. Or you can choose your own, not on the list.

- Read through the available opportunities together
- Pay attention to what your group feels drawn toward

3. Narrow It Down

As a group, begin focusing on your options:

- Decide if you feel called to serve inside the church or outside in the community
- Narrow your choices down to 2-3 strong options
- Consider what fits your group's availability and capacity

4. Choose Together

Have an honest group conversation and make a shared decision:

- What excites our group the most?
- What can we realistically commit to your time frame?
- What allows us to serve together, not just individually?
- Remember: the goal is not perfection, but commitment as a group.

5. Confirm Your Project & Set Goals

Once your group chooses an OUT-Project, the next step is to create a clear direction by setting goals. Decide what you want to accomplish this semester (or beyond). Examples might include serving regularly, building relationships with a specific group of people, or completing a project together. These goals will help your group stay focused and intentional.

- Keep goals simple, specific, and realistic
- Focus on consistency and impact, not just activity
- When you have chosen your OUT-Project & its goals, contact Ridgepoint Staff
- If you want to pursue something not listed online, contact Staff for approval

GROUP FOCUS (NOT JUST INDIVIDUAL SERVING)

Your group may serve at different times depending on schedules, but you should still share the same mission. For example, you might all support the same ministry even if you serve on different days. What matters is that your group is united in purpose, encouraging each other, sharing experiences, and praying for the impact together.

REVISIT EACH SEMESTER

At the end of each semester, your group will decide what's next:

- Continue the same OUT-Project
- Adjust your goals
- Choose a new opportunity

This flexibility keeps your group fresh, adaptable, and consistently focused on living OUT your faith.

GIVE REGULAR WEEKLY REMINDERS

You don't need to spend a large amount of time each week discussing or praying for your OUT-Project, but it is important to consistently bring it back into focus. Take a couple of minutes each week to share updates, remind the group of any upcoming opportunities or deadlines, and communicate any changes. Keeping it in front of your group regularly helps ensure it remains intentional and mission-driven, rather than becoming something that is easily forgotten or treated as routine.

Following Jesus isn't just about what we believe; it's about how we live. Your OUT-Project is an opportunity to put your faith into action, grow together, and make a real difference.