

FIRST NIGHT CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to help create a welcoming, intentional, and meaningful first group gathering.

BEFORE GROUP

- Pray for your group members before they arrive
- Prepare snacks, drinks, and seating
- Review discussion questions or curriculum
- Send a reminder text/message to the group
- Create a welcoming environment

DURING GROUP

- Introduce yourself and help everyone feel comfortable
- Use an icebreaker or get-to-know-you question
- Share the purpose and vision of the group
- Review group expectations and meeting rhythm
- Encourage participation from everyone
- End with prayer

AFTER GROUP

- Follow up with new members
- Pray for needs shared during the meeting
- Post attendance if applicable

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- Celebrate wins and note any next steps
 - Confirm the next meeting date and details
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A warm, intentional first night helps people feel known, connected, and excited to return.