



GRACE COMMUNITY
Presbyterian Church, PCA

SMoG Yearly Calendar Events

Sept. 2023-Sept. 2024

Educational Schedule:

Youth Group Semester 1 (1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30)

**Reading: WCF Ch. 25 & What Is a Reformed Church? (MS),
Total Truth (HS)**

- September 6, 2023
- September 20
- October 4
- October 18
- November 1

HS and MS Discipleship Groups (2nd Week of Each Month)*

Week of:

2023: September 11 | October 9 | November 6 | December 11

2024: January 8 | February 12 | March 11 | April 8 | May 6 | July 8 | August 12

Youth Group Semester 2 (1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30)

**Bible Series: Ephesians 1-3 (MS), Deuteronomy 4, 6;
Colossians 2-3 (HS)**

- November 15
- December 6
- December 20

Youth Group Semester 3 (1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30)

Reading: Habits of Grace (MS), Know What You Believe (HS)

- January 3, 2024
- January 17
- February 7
- February 21
- March 6

Youth Group Semester 4 (1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30)

Reading: Confessing Christ (MS), Love Thy Body (HS)

- March 20
- April 3
- April 17
- May 1
- May 15

Youth Group Semester 5 (1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30)

Video Series: Communion of Saints (MS), Truth and Consequences (HS)

- July 3
- July 17
- August 7
- August 21

RYM Summer Camps:

HSCO: June 10-15, 2024

MSTX: July 31-August 4, 2024

Fellowship Schedule:

Home Fellowship Events (4th Saturday of the Month)

- September 30, 2023 at the Carter Home (MS)
- January 27, 2024 at the Hames Home (MS)
- February 24, 2024 at the Gamelson Home (HS)
- March 30, 2024 at the Herman Home (MS)
- May 25, 2024 at the Mattix Home (MS)
- August 31, 2024 at the Seiver Home (HS)

Non-Home Fellowship Events (Typically the 4th Friday of Each Month)

- September 29, 2023: HS (Open Question/Pool Night at Hamby's)

- October 20-21, 2023: MS and HS (Rocktober Youth Retreat)
- November 11, 2023: HS & MS (Texas Trip)
- December 16, 2023: HS and MS (SMoG Christmas Party)
- January 6, 2024: Christmas Tree Burning Potluck at Bell Home
- January 26, 2024: HS (Open Question/Movie Night)
- February 23, 2024: MS (Altitude)
- March 29, 2024: HS (Escape Room)
- April 26, 2024: MS (Games/Movie Night at Church)
- April 27, 2024: HS (Six Flags)
- May 3-4, 2024: HS (Camping Trip)
- July 27, 2024: MS and HS (Summer Cookout)

Local Ministry

- September 2023 (Cornerstone Work Project)
- December 2023 (Serving the GCPC Body)
- January 2024 (World Relief Work Project)
- April 2024 (Cornerstone Work Project)
- August 2024 (MoG Service Project)

Mission Trips

- Reynosa (July 8-14, 2023)

*=May vary dependent upon availability of leader and/or group members



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SMoG Yearly Overview

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**Monthly Schedule: Youth Group (1st and 3rd Weeks) &
Discipleship Groups (2nd Week)**

Youth Group (Small Groups):

- **1st Semester: 5 Meetings - (September–Mid-November)**
- **2nd Semester: 3 Meetings - Bible Series
(Mid-November–December)**
- **3rd Semester: 5 Meetings (January–Mid-March)**
- **4th Semester: 5 Meetings (Mid-March–May)**
- **Off Month: June (Camps, etc.)**
- **5th Semester: 4 Meetings - Video Series (July–August)**

SMoG “Youth Group”

Goals

1. To faithfully pass down the faith entrusted to us as God’s people
2. To aid in the spiritual growth of our youth, particularly in the area of Christian living
3. To prepare our youth to know their God, love their God, and be equipped for the work of ministry in their own lives, being able to give an answer for the hope that is being taught to them, and Lord willing, is within them.

Groups of Emphasis

Middle School (1st and 3rd Wednesday nights @ 7:00pm)

The emphasis of the middle school curriculum will be on developing a biblical understanding of the importance of the church and the gospel to their spiritual growth. Also included, will be a focus on some of the challenges of the middle school years, and training them to grow in wisdom.

High School (1st and 3rd Wednesday nights @ 7:00pm)

The emphasis of the high school curriculum will focus on developing a more fully-formed worldview, a healthy prayer life, love for God’s Word and what it means to obey Christ’s

commandments, and growth in maturity and wisdom that they may be disciple-makers themselves.

Books

I. 6th-8th Grade (Middle School)

Year 1: Importance of the Church and the Gospel

WCF 25; What Is a Reformed Church?

Habits of Grace by David Mathis (Chs. 13-18)

Confessing Christ by Calvin Knox Cumminmgs (Chs. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7)

Bible Series: Ephesians 1-3

Video Series: Communion of Saints by R.C. Sproul

Year 2: Addressing Challenges for a Christian Middle Schooler

Insecure by John Perritt (All 9 Chapters)

Live Smart by Dan Dumas (Chs. 4-12)

The Next Story by Tim Challies (Chs. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6)

Bible Series: 2 Corinthians 5

Video Series: Learning to Love the Psalms by Robert Godfrey

Year 3: Growing in Wisdom

Taking God at His Word by Kevin DeYoung (Chs. 2, 3, 6, 7, 1)

Do Hard Things (boys); This Changes Everything (girls)

Listen Up! (1 week); Proverbs 1, 3, 8, 22 (4 weeks)

Bible Series: Psalms 1, 19, 37

Video Series: Developing Christian Character (Lectures 1, 2, 4, 5) by R.C. Sproul

II. 9th-12th Grade (High School)

Year 1: Worldview

Total Truth by Nancy Pearcey (Chs. 1, 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13)

Know What You Believe by K. Scott Oliphint (Chs. 1, 2, 4, 9, 10)

Love Thy Body by Nancy Pearcey (Chs. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6)

Bible Series: Sections of Deuteronomy 4, 6; Colossians 2-3

Video Series: Truth and Consequences by Albert Mohler

Year 2: Developing a Life of Dependence on the Lord

A Praying Life by Paul Miller (1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19-25)

You Are What You Love by James K.A. Smith (Chs. 1-5, 7)

The Secret of Contentment by William Barclay (Chs. 1-3, 5, 7-9)

Bible Series: Psalms 23, 46, 118

Video Series: Assurance of Faith by Joel Beeke

Year 3: Learning to Obey Christ's Commandments

A Little Book on the Christian Life by John Calvin (All 5 chapters)

The Enemy Within by Kris Lundgaard (Chs. 1-7, 10-13)

Maturity by Sinclair Ferguson (Chs. 1,3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12)

Bible Series: Romans 12-14

Video Series: Developing Christian Character (Lectures 7, 8, 9, 11) by R.C. Sproul

Year 4: Preparation for Adulthood

A Little Book for New Theologians (Chs. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6)

Thinking Spiritually by John Owen (All 21 chapters)

Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God by J.I. Packer (All 4 chapters)

Bible Series: Ecclesiastes 3, 7, 12

Video Series: A Time for Confidence by Stephen Nichols

SMoG Intentional Discipleship

Second week of the month:

- ❑ **Guys' Discipleship:** The goal of guys' discipleship groups is to expose our young men to middle-age and older men who are members of GCPC who are able to teach them to observe all that Christ has commanded, and help foster relationships amongst the group. MS boys are paired with at least one of their Foundations small group leaders and a GCPC member who has been approved to lead a group. HS guys are paired with at least one of their Foundations small group leaders and an older GCPC member who has been approved to lead a group.
- ❑ **Ladies' Discipleship:** The goal of ladies' discipleship groups is to expose our young ladies to middle-age and older women who are members of GCPC who are able to teach them to observe all that Christ has commanded, and help foster relationships amongst the group. MS girls are paired with at least one of their Foundations small group leaders and a GCPC member who has been approved to lead a group. HS ladies are paired with at least one of their Foundations small group leaders and an older GCPC member who has been approved to lead a group.

SMoG Fellowship Events

Typically the Fourth Weekend of Every Month:

- ❑ **Home Events:** These fellowship events would be designed to provide the youth (both MS and HS) an opportunity to informally fellowship together at a family's home that is willing to host. ***A different non-home event will be planned for the group that does not have a home fellowship event planned that month.***
- ❑ **Non-Home Events:** These fellowship events will typically require a fee to the family (Whirlyball, etc.)

January: Family's Home (MS)

February: Family's Home (HS)

March: Non-Home Event (MS & HS)

April: Family's Home (MS)

May: Family's Home (HS)

June: No Events

July: Family's Home (MS)

August: Church Summer Cookout (MS and HS)

September: Family's Home (HS)

October: Non Home Event (MS & HS)

November: Family's Home (MS)

December: SMoG Christmas Party (MS & HS)

SMoG Service Projects

- ❑ **Community Assistance:** These projects seek to get our youth involved with a ministry outside of GCPC.
- ❑ **Diaconate Assistance:** These projects will be done in conjunction with the deacons, informed by needs that may benefit from assistance by SMOG. These events are subject to addition, depending on need.

SMoG Missions Projects

- ❑ **MoG:** We work to be involved with serving the local mission organizations that our church supports.

