

Gather

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INFORMATION SHEET – MOMS

Below is some general information and guidelines for being a Mom in Gather.

Meeting Time/Dates/Places

There will be a Mom meeting sometime in early August. Once we have moms registered, we will determine the date by the availability of everyone.

Gather meeting times will be 6:00 to 8:15 pm. Groups may differ somewhat, but keep in mind that children will need to be picked up from childcare no later than 8:30. Children can be dropped off at the church for childcare as early as 5:45 pm.

September 3 – Gather Reveal in the Forum at the church

October 1 – Homes

November 5 – Homes

December 3 – Christmas Coffee (we will work seating so that Gather groups can sit together)

January 7 – Homes

February 4 – Homes

March 3 – Homes

April 7 – Gather Family Reunion at the church (moms and sisters only)

If Gather groups would like to meet an additional time on the months where we meet at church, of course you can do that, but there would be no childcare. Also, if Gather Sisters do not need childcare, groups can schedule meeting times on a different day of the week. Please do not schedule a meeting for Wednesdays or Sundays.

(There was a survey sent to all present and previous moms regarding the meeting place for Gather. There was basically a tie between the homes vs. church preference. There was a slightly greater participation in homes vs. church, mainly because some ladies were willing to participate in either scenario. The Gather planning team used this survey to plan the calendar for the year.)

Mom Guidelines

Moms are ladies that no longer have children in their homes. Exceptions will be made if your youngest child is in high school. Other exceptions will be considered.

Moms must be active members of First Baptist Forney, which includes attending a Sunday bible study class or being a volunteer in a children's or youth class.

Mom Expectations

It is expected that each Mom has had a time when she has accepted Christ as her Savior and followed with Biblical baptism. Hopefully, because of this, Moms will always be growing their personal relationship with Christ outside of Gather.

Each group will be expected to present the devotion as a part of your group time each month. This devotion will be provided to you and will be based on the Bible and how we women can be who God desires for us to be. This will not require a lot of extra preparation unless you desire to do so.

We will ask all Moms to cooperate with whatever decisions are made regarding gift giving, etc. These decisions will be made by all the Moms at a meeting in August. Though some do not understand why this is required, it is something we must do to avoid competition between groups. Sisters do compare from group to group.

Each group of Moms will be asked the maximum number of Sisters they would like to have in their groups. Please be honest and up front with this so that you are not overloaded. Groups will differ due to the size of homes or size of dining tables.

Encouragement

Being a Gather Mom IS a big commitment – there is no question about that. But it is also a great opportunity of blessing. As you connect with younger ladies in our church, your perspective of the younger generation will change. You'll understand more of what they deal with and rejoice with them as they learn more about who God made them to be. And as a bonus, your own youth will be reignited as you gain a different outlook on today's world of young ladies!!