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You've prayed about it and God led you to the conclusion, now it's time to lead a Group. You may be wondering, how do I get people to show up?

We'd love for every group to fill up as soon as they are listed online but that doesn't always happen. However, there are a few things you can do to help invite people to your group.

1. **Pray.** We believe in the power of prayer and that when we start with talking to God first, He will be a part of everything we do. We're so passionate about prayer that our first staff value is "Pray First." Starting with prayer sets the tone for everything we do.
2. **Serve during the Groups kick-off.** When it's time to join a group in January and August, hundreds of people across all of our campuses will visit the Groups website and stop by the Groups area in the lobby. When you serve with groups in the lobby you'll have the opportunity to tell people about your group and invite them to try it.
3. **Serve on a ministry team.** Whether it's in Cross Point Kids, Cross Point Students, a Local Good project or Guest Experience, the people you meet serving are looking for community as well. Ask them to join your group where you can continue to build community as you follow Jesus together.
4. **Whom do you know?** Your friends, co-workers, neighbors, your barista or that person you see every day at the gym - they all need community. Take a few minutes and list out the people you know whom you could invite to your group then do it. Don't be discouraged if your group starts with a smaller number. In Matthew 18:20, Jesus said, "For where two or three gather in my name, there I am with them."
5. **Don't forget social media.** Whether it's inviting friends via Facebook or Instagram, most of us have a few people we talk with via social media we could invite to our group.
6. **Talk about it.** We talk about what we are passionate about. When people hear you talking about how much your life has been changed through your involvement in a small group they will want to be a part of it. So be bold and share what God is doing in your group.