Global Coffee Break Fall Prep National Leaders Meeting  
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Ideas for starting Coffee Break groups in the fall were shared by CB leaders from all over the United States. Some ideas are currently being implemented while others are in the process. Thank you to everyone that was able to come and participate. Another national call will be held on October 8, 2020 at 2:00 pm EDT to follow-up with these ideas and to share ideas for the holiday season.

Announcements:
- The new Genesis study is now available in digital format and will be available in print soon. The book of Genesis will be broken into three studies, with part 2 and 3 coming soon. Visit https://discoveryourbible.org to order for your group.
- More online workshops will be held on a regular basis. You can visit the events section of our website to see any upcoming dates. https://discoveryourbible.org/events
- The national conference, called The Connect Conference, has been moved to August 2021 due to the pandemic. More information will be coming later in the year.

Ideas for in-person meetings
- Meet in person in the church while observing distance and safety measures.
- Divide your group into smaller groups and rotate the weeks they meet in person.
- Use member’s homes for meeting in-person. Ask if someone would be willing to rotate childcare and sanitation.
- Meet in the church parking lot for lessons or just prayer while maintaining social distance.
- Meet in the parking lot by using FM radio technology so everyone can hear a main speaker discuss a theme or small teaching.
- If someone is unable to meet with the group then place them on speaker phone.

Ideas for online meetings
- Use Zoom for online group meetings
- Use another service such as Whatsapp, Facebook Rooms, Google Duo and Google Meet. Some of these may be easier to use than Zoom.
- Zoom also allows for calling in without video for those who find it difficult.
• Schedule Zoom meetings later for younger moms who want to meet after putting kids to bed.
• If going through a lesson is too much focus on praying and sharing.
• Record your on-line meeting and share with members who couldn’t attend.

Hybrid ideas
• Meet one week in person and through Zoom the following week and continue to alternate.
• Meet on Zoom to go over a lesson but send out questions by email or use some other service to have an online “chat” of the lesson questions.

Other ideas
• Share prayer requests through email chains with everyone hitting reply all. Same thing can be done for discussing questions from a lesson.
• Send out postcards to CB members to stay connected.
• Look into the “Marco Polo” app as a way to make a short video and send it to multiple people. Link: https://www.marcopolo.me/
• Ask your church if an investment can be made to buy multiple tablets so people can meet using an app.
• Find someone who is tech savvy and have them record a video of the lesson’s teaching and then the group can follow up online or in-person.
• Send care packages to young moms with resources for their kids to study. This may be a link to a website or something in print. Encourage young moms to participate, even with kids in the background.

Resources:
• The official Global Coffee Break Facebook is called Coffee Break Groups. You don’t need a Facebook account to access. There are videos on Zoom tips and how to use Zoom on our Facebook.
• Zoom has multiple training videos on how to use the app: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206618765-Zoom-video-tutorials
• Visit the Covid-19 resource link from the CRC: https://www.crcna.org/covid19
• Other resources to help your church can be found on this website: https://coronavirusandthechurch.com/
• Resources for safety, signage, and health for churches: https://www.outreach.com/

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