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We are indeed blessed to be a growing, dynamic ministry at New Salem. One of our goals is to make sure everyone who is interested in joining a group, has the opportunity to easily connect with one. The purpose of this communication is to introduce our CARE Group project for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009 - **CARE Group Collage**.

***New! Please submit completed collages no later than Friday, Dec. 4, 2009***

During our earlier years of existence, we were a church with groups. Now we have become a church of groups. CARE Groups are the fabric as well as the future of the New Salem church and we want to expose our members and guests to group life. What better way to illustrate group life but through a collage creatively designed by individual group members through a collective effort?

We know you will have questions, therefore, we have prepared a set of FAQs. (frequently asked questions) for your convenience. We hope that you will embrace this visionary project with excitement and excellence.

***What is the CARE Group Collage project?***

- We are asking all New Salem groups to create a collage that captures the essence, spirit, service and unique personality of your individual group. The size of each collage will be 16 X 20 (poster size). Be creative. A collage consists of materials not normally associated with one another, such as photographs, newspaper/magazine clippings, event tickets, etc.

***What is the purpose of the collage and how will it be used?***

- The collages will serve various purposes. First of all, they will provide a real time portrait/visual of CARE Group life. This will be helpful to New Salem members and guests who want to visit/join a group. It will encourage others to be part of a CARE Group if they had not considered it before. It's a different, fresh, and unique approach to capturing and displaying group life for all to see.
- The collages may be used to create a photo gallery on the website and/or in the church building. They will be useful in supporting articles, revival, celebrations and education.

- Let's face it. We are visual people. Having CARE Group collages will aid us in expanding and enhancing our efforts to help people to 'get connected'!

***What are the parameters/guidelines/timeframe for the CARE Group collage project?***

- Across the top of the poster include your CARE Group name between ½ - 1 inch in height!
- Each collage should be 16 X 20; we are not asking you for a mural!
- This project has a **60**-day time commitment to be completed, Beginning **October 1 through November 30, 2009**. *revised!*
- Completed collages should be submitted to the CARE Group Coordinator no later than **December 4, 2009**. No exceptions!

***Who will finance this project?***

- Great question. Each group will be responsible for any and all materials relating to this project, (poster board, photos etc.)

***Are we required to create a group collage?***

- We are hoping that all groups will choose to participate.

***What if we have additional questions?***

- Simply send them to [cwood@newsalemcares.com](mailto:cwood@newsalemcares.com). We will be providing updates to the 'frequently asked questions' at least bi-weekly. Or you may call Charlotte Wood, CARE Group Coordinator at 614-930-2224

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