



## WELCOME

Introduce any new guests

### **SEND MISSIONS OFFERING (All December)**

Each year we raise money to support our missions vision. One of the key ministries that our church supports is the *Lottie Moon Christmas Offering*. All 100% of the giving to our SEND MISSIONS goes to fund the amazing work of missionaries all over the world. Please prayerfully consider how much you and your community group will give this year.

### **SEND MISSIONS Chili Cook-Off and Auction - December 15**

YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS THIS EVENT. If you have items to donate for this fun and meaningful fundraiser, please contact Holly Puckett @ 254-654-2394. Also, bring your best chili and bit on some really fun things. Remember, all this money will go support our missions vision.

### **O Come Let Us Adore Him - Worship Gathering (December 16)**

Join us at the Miller's home on Sunday afternoon for 3-6pm for a time of worship through music and testimony in a beautiful setting just a few minutes west of the church campus. Bring a chair, blankets and invite others to join this great night. For directions and more go to [gracesalado.com/events](http://gracesalado.com/events)

## ENCOUNTER GOD

**Praise and Thanksgiving:** Sing with your group or share one thing that took place this week you can be thankful for.

**Icebreaker:** Who is the most famous person you've met? What's the story?

## EQUIP WITH TRUTH

**Read Luke 1:5-23 / 26-38**

**What do we learn about Zechariah and Elizabeth?**

**What do we learn about Mary (and Joseph)?**

**What is the message Gabriel gives to Zechariah?**

**What really sticks out to you about that message?**

**What is the message to Mary? And what sticks out to you?**

**What does this passage teach us about God?**

**Where are some of the places that we're allowed to "meet with God"? (careful... trick question)**

**Have you ever encountered God while doing something ordinary? Share that story? (Perhaps when you encountered God and realized that He truly wants you.)**

**Share: What is at least ONE thing you would like to see God do / or that you really need Him to do? Be honest. Think big. (Pray about these things together)**

**Pray**

Spend time praying *for each other*. Pray that God would help you remember the joy of being born again, how to love others and how to walk in the Spirit.

**ENGAGE OTHERS**

[A good helpful idea would be to ask someone within the group to own this task. Delegate some responsibility is very important. Ask someone before next week if they might consider leading the prayer time for the next week]

**Pray for Here**

Pray for the needs right here in our community and throughout Central Texas. Share the vision for the Salado Family Relief Christmas adoption. Pray together for the families in our community.

**Pray for There**

We're also praying for villages near one of our church missionaries. Please remember to pray for at least 3-6 villages each week

**VISION**

**(Please continue to do this... as it keeps them involved in engaging others)**

Challenge your group to invite others to next week's group meeting and to Sunday morning worship.