

New Year New Group!

The new year is a great time to begin healthy habits that will benefit you for a lifetime.

This includes joining a small group, which is a lot more fun than eating broccoli and sweating on a treadmill. This event will bring together people who are looking for a group to learn and grow with, and many groups will form that day. Sunday, Jan. 10 at 1pm. Register at vineyardcincinnati.com. Childcare is available but you must register them in advance at Ext. 328.



First time here?

Don't panic!

No one is going to single you out or ask you to stand up and give your name. Grab a free cup of coffee or tea, bring it into the Auditorium and relax. Here are a few things we do most weekends...

Singing: We usually sing some simple songs to God each weekend. Feel free to have a seat anytime. Some people like to stand the entire time. Just be comfortable.

Giving: For those who value the mission of this place and are learning to give, this is a time to give back to God a portion of what He's given us.

Message: Our speaker will give a 25 to 30 minute message about applying God's truths to life's challenges.

Want more information? Stop by Connections in the Atrium if you have any questions or to find out more about the Vineyard. We're glad you're here!



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Outreach

Lincoln Heights Thanks You!

This past Friday and Saturday, over 70 people from the Vineyard and surrounding churches helped provide gift baskets for the staff of Lincoln Heights Elementary School, as well as a holiday breakfast feast and gifts for the over 350 children who attend there. Smiles and stories of gratitude abounded!

Check out pictures and stories from these and other Advent 09 outreaches online at vineyardcincinnati.com/outreachstories.

Whiz Kids Tutorship Program is expanding!

Don't worry, you can still get in the game at Lincoln Heights Elementary by providing after school tutoring. Our program is expanding in January to meet the growing need. Check it out at vineyardcincinnati.com/outreach!

WHAT'S Happening

Alpha is a 10-week course that covers the basics of the Christian faith. Each night you'll hear from one of our teachers, and then discuss what you've heard in a smaller group format. It's a great time to build relationships and to ask some tough questions in an environment that is safe and comfortable. Free. Tuesdays starting Jan. 26 at 6:30pm. Register at Ext. 468 or vineyardcincinnati.com/alpha. Free childcare (*childcare registration required at Ext. 328*).

Hope for the Financially Frustrated

Want to manage your money better, but need some guidance? The Generous Living Ministry has financial counselors ready to meet with you on a personal, confidential basis. Contact Joyce at Ext. 335 or carroll@vineyardcincinnati.com.

Baptism – Are you ready?! If you're ready to "go public" with your decision to follow Christ, we'd love to celebrate with you! Be baptized during one of the weekend Celebrations Jan. 16 or 17. A brief, one-time Baptism Class is required and will be held Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7pm in the Healing Center. Register by calling Ext. 477, or complete the registration form at VineyardCincinnati.com/baptism. For more info, e-mail Tabitha at fourruters@cinci.rr.com or call the hotline at Ext. 477.

Jobs for Life: Have you ever wondered if there is a way to feel good about your work, keep a job for a long time, and find stability through meaningful relationships? The Jobs for Life winter session begins

in January at the Healing Center. For info contact Lynette at (513) 256-2716 or lynknit@aol.com and put "Jobs For Life" in the subject line.

Beth Moore Study: Updated "Breaking Free"

In this 11-week DVD study, Bible teacher Beth Moore leads women through Isaiah 61 to discover the transforming power of Christian freedom. She uses scripture to identify spiritual strongholds in your life, no matter how big or small. Cost is \$25 for materials. Register by Jan. 10.

Evening Session: Starts Tuesday Jan. 12 from 7–9pm. Register online or contact Robin at rsnyder6@cinci.rr.com or 257-7404.

Morning session: Starts Thursday, Jan. 14, 10am–12noon in the Great Rooms. Register online or contact Christine at cmartin@cinci.rr.com or (513) 290-2290. (*Childcare available for morning session only; register children at 671-0422 Ext. 328*)

Vineyard Leadership Institute (VLI)

is now taking applications through Jan. 10 for the winter quarter. VLI is a 2-year study program with a primary focus of preparing those who desire to work as a pastor/ ministry director on a church staff, plant a church, or just want to be more effective in their volunteer leadership role. Go to www.vli.org, pick up a catalog and application in Connections, and contact Casey at cmaney@cincinnati.rr.com.

The Lift: A gathering of young adults every Thurs. at 7:15pm. www.theliftecommunity.com

Interested in working at the Vineyard?

Full job descriptions can be viewed at www.vineyardcincinnati.com/jobs.

- Grant Coordinator: *Healing Center*
- Facilities Associate (*part time*)
- Associate Director, Program Development: *Healing Center*
- Web Designer
- Bookstore Coordinator (*part time*)

Looking for a '09 Tax Credit for Contributions?

If you're planning on giving to VCC before the end of the year, please note that we must receive it no later than Thursday, Dec. 31 to stay within IRS rules. If mailing, please postmark it by Dec. 31. Otherwise, bring it to the Resource Center office by 5pm on Dec. 31 or give online at vineyardcincinnati.com.

SMALL Groups

Are you a new mom?

We would love to meet together for conversation and prayer two times a month in Wyoming. Starts Tues, Jan. 12, from 9:30am to 11:30ish if the babies

hold out. Contact Trisha for directions and questions at 615-6734 or trishaimhoff@yahoo.com or Elbie elbiefoote@hotmail.com. Bring your baby of course!

Find a small group in 2010! See back of program.

SERVING Opportunities

Volunteer tax preparers needed

The Healing Center will again be a VITA tax preparation site this year. The goal of this free program is to help lower-income people filing their taxes to take advantage of all available tax credits. Volunteers are needed on Thurs. evenings and Sat. mornings; requirements for serving include attending a 1-day training course to become a certified preparer and serving at the Healing Center for a minimum of 16 hours during tax season. Minimal experience needed. Contact Brad at 720-5116 or nielsongroup@lbc.cinci.rr.com.

Help families stay warm this winter

Winter has arrived, and the Healing Center is in need of coats, blankets, sweaters, gloves, scarves, and other winter apparel. Please help a family in need with any of these items that you can spare. Some of our guests are homeless or without proper heat in their homes. You can drop donations in the bins at the Healing Center 24

hours a day, or bring them to the Outreach Stations in the lobby any weekend. Contact Steve at freedman@HealingCentercincinnati.com or 346-4080 Ext. 376 with questions.

Make a difference with kids!

Lessons and supplies are provided; you add the relationship-building with the kids. There are several openings for teachers at the 10:15am Celebration in the 3rd and 4th grades. Interested? Contact Dave at dooley@vineyardcincinnati.com or Ext. 161.

Jobs for Life mentors needed

If you'd like to help people explore their gifts/talents and use them to find and advance in a meaningful job, we need mentors for the "Jobs for Life" program at the Healing Center. Contact Lynette at lynknit@aol.com or call (513) 256-2716 and leave a message. Put "Jobs for Life" in the subject line of your e-mail. Learn more at jobsforlife.com.

Celebration times: Sat. 6:30pm and Sun. 9am, 10:15am, and 11:45am

Classes for children birth to 5th grade offered at every Celebration. Middle and High School meet at the Student Union (all Celebrations but Sun. 9am). Communion offered on Sun. at 9am. Sign language offered on Sun. at 10:15am. Spanish translation (with headphones) offered on Sun. at 11:45am.

For more info about the events or opportunities listed go to vineyardcincinnati.com, call us at (513) 671-0422 plus the extension, or e-mail: info@vineyardcincinnati.com.

Childcare registration for events is always required. Register by calling 1 week in advance or cancel your registration within 24 hours so we can provide the best care for your children. (513) 671-0422 Ext. 328. Unless stated otherwise, cost is \$5 per child and \$10 for 2 or more.