

LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: Sustaining a Group

Caring for One Another in Your Group

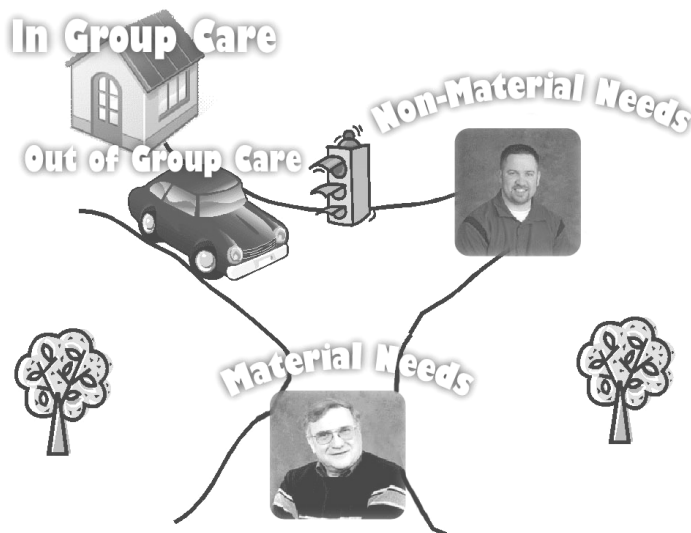
Caring simply defined is when the members of the group sacrifice as necessary to meet the needs of one another. At Calvary we use the Caring road map to show LIFEGroups help Calvary achieve its goal of connecting to people to each other so they can care for each other.

1. Beyond Group Care (when the need is too large for your group)

- Material Needs (financial, food, utilities, vehicles, etc.): contact Pastor Terry and complete application for Benevolent Fund
- Non-Material Needs: contact Pastor David

2. In-Group Care: Spiritual Gifts (when your group can meet the need)

- Take a spiritual gifts test and talk about the results
- Discover what the members of your group excel at
- Make sure everyone in the group has a job
- Communicate and try to meet needs within the group. See who steps up



3. Personal Care

- Know your limits
- Use your help
- Keep in contact with God

4. Things to Keep in Mind

- A spiritual gifts test is not the final word on what some one's gifting is. It's just a good place to start the discussion.
- God will gift his body to accomplish his purpose.
- When the gifts are used properly, they are used for the common good.
- Spiritual gifts work best in a relational context.