

## Mission Statement

The Memorial Drive United Methodist Church Single Vision Ministry is a caring and supportive community providing the opportunity for Christian growth, fellowship, and service, while affirming that all single adults are whole individuals and are important members of God's holy family.

## Connections in Ministry

The Singles Ministry of MDUMC is represented and actively involved in the Texas Annual Conference and the South Central Jurisdiction. We stay informed about what is happening in singles ministry in the city, state, and country. Several of our singles also create and plan opportunities at these levels.

Our Single Vision Council has representatives from singles Sunday School classes, interest groups and at-large. Our local council meets monthly to plan and coordinate events for singles.



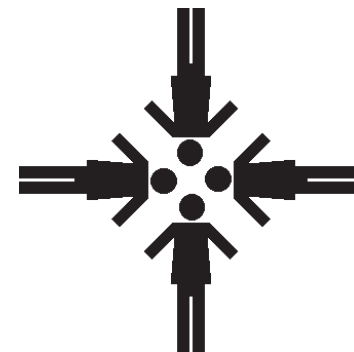
## Singles Events

Stay in touch and informed about singles activities at Memorial Drive UMC. There are several resources available for you:

- If you have a computer and Internet access, connect to [www.mdumc.org/learn/singles.aspx](http://www.mdumc.org/learn/singles.aspx).
- For information about opportunities for singles offered throughout the Texas Annual Conference, visit [www.txcumc.org/singles](http://www.txcumc.org/singles).
- For information about the Mount Sequoyah Jurisdictional Singles Retreat in Fayetteville, Arkansas, go to [www.sequoyahsingles.org](http://www.sequoyahsingles.org).
- Go to the Information Desk in Friendship Court on Sunday mornings to get current information and flyers about upcoming singles events and activities, to register for events, or to purchase tickets. You may call our Singles Director, Sheri Kelley, at 713-468-8356 ext. 119. Contact her via e-mail at [sherikelley@mdumc.org](mailto:sherikelley@mdumc.org).
- Each week an informative sheet, *In the Know*, is e-mailed to interested singles. To be placed on this e-mail list, contact Sheri at [sherikelley@mdumc.org](mailto:sherikelley@mdumc.org).

# Single Vision

the  
Single Adult Ministry  
of  
Memorial Drive UMC



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# Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

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## Who is considered a single adult?

Single adults include any person without a mate or significant other in their life—those who have never been married, divorced or are currently separated, and those who have been widowed.

## Who may attend these activities?

Singles functions are open to both members and non-members of the church. You do not need to be a member of the church to participate. We always encourage participants to invite their friends!

## What are Fabulous Fridays?

We have a program called Fabulous Fridays. Free childcare is provided by reservation at all Friday events.

**First Friday Flicks** is held at The Gate in the Connection Center at 6:45 p.m. Movies are shown, after which there is a discussion from a Christian perspective. Everyone is asked to bring a snack to share. Drinks are provided.

**Fourth Friday Kickback Koffee House** is held at The Well in the Connection Center at 8:00 p.m. where there is live music, snacks, and games. Parents are asked to bring games and movies for the kids. The charge is \$5 at the door.

**Fifth Friday Theme Dances** are held quarterly. Dances begin at 8:00 p.m. and end at 11:00 p.m.

## Are there any Bible studies offered during the week?

A Singles Community Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. in D127. We also offer the Christian Singles Inquiring which offers scripturally-based short-term studies that pertain to singles and wholeness. Churchwide studies are also open to singles.

## Do you have Sunday school classes for singles?

Classes are offered at the 9:30 a.m. time slot on Sunday mornings. Presently, there are two made up of only single adults in their 40's and better. Singles are also welcome to attend any of the other adult classes, all of which include singles as well as couples.

Each class has its own unique personality and determines its own course of study and presentation method.

## I have a special interest. Is there a place for me?

In 1999, interest groups were formed which offer social opportunities to singles on the basis of a specific interest. These groups include Fine Arts, Dining, Missions, Let's Get Physical and Day Trippin'. Reservations are often required to attend events. Read *The Messenger*, the Memorial Drive UMC newsletter, for upcoming events!

## What do you offer for those recovering from a divorce?

Our DivorceCare recovery group meets year-round on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. DivorceCare is a faith-based curriculum for those who are separated or divorced. Participants support one another as they heal from the effects of this traumatic experience. There is a one-time cost of \$20 per person for this 13-week series which includes a workbook. The class can be taken up to 3 times. Childcare is provided by reservation only.

## I'm a single parent; do you have something for me?

Some singles activities and classes are for parents and children. Our church offers programs to help you be a better parent.

- **Children in the Middle** is a video-based parent education program that meets the requirements of Harris County family courts for divorcing parents. Parents become aware of ways they put children in the middle of conflicts. To register, call 713-468-0500.
- For more information or to sign up, contact the Single Adult Ministry office.

