

## Single Vision Ministry

Our ministry spans the interests and needs of singles aged 40 years and up. We attempt to embrace single adults who have never been married, are separated, divorced or widowed, and single parents.

There are many opportunities for singles to socialize, learn and serve throughout the year. In addition to Sunday school classes and Bible studies, we also plan special educational and spiritual growth opportunities.

Our Fabulous Friday events are known across the city. At First Friday Flicks, we watch and discuss a movie from a Christian perspective. At the Fourth Friday Kick Back Koffee House, we welcome live entertainment along with refreshments, cards, games, Nintendo Wii, etc. At Fifth Friday theme dances, we offer a great evening of dancing and fellowship. There are also interest groups which plan a multitude of outings and events especially for singles.

We also attend District, Conference, Jurisdictional, and National singles events.

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### **Single Vision Ministry Mission Statement**

*The Memorial Drive 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.*

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## Interest Groups

The idea behind these small groups is to get singles together to do the things they love best! Activities are open to everyone!

### Day Trippin' Interest Group

This group organizes outings that take a little more time, such as going to festivals, museums, shopping, and other field trips. Transportation is provided.

### Dining Interest Group

This group meets on the second Saturday at a Houston area restaurant. Reservations must be made in advance by calling the Singles Ministry office. Also planned are Singles Sunday Lunches.

### Fine Arts Interest Group

This group sponsors outings to musicals, plays, and operas presented in Houston and nearby cities. Prices range from free to fairly expensive. Advance reservations are taken.

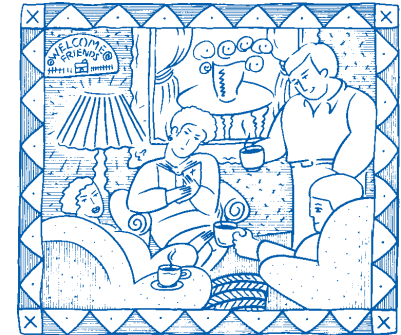
### Let's Get Physical Interest Group

This group offers opportunities for golf, tennis, Zumba and other participatory sports and sporting events. Also planned are outdoor activities such as hiking, camping, and sailing.

### Missions Interest Group

Mission and outreach opportunities are provided for singles who are interested in serving their brothers and sisters in Christ.

## Singles Ministry Small Groups at MDUMC



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## Sunday School Classes

### Kindred Souls

Ages: 40–55 yrs.  
Only women, single and married  
9:30 a.m. in A201 (Conference Room)

This is a class for both single women and married women who attend church without their husbands. Class members facilitate lessons from the Adult Learning series. Single members participate in general singles activities planned by the Single Vision Ministry.

### New Horizon

Ages: 65 and better!  
Only singles  
9:30 a.m. in Room D127

Classes are usually taught by class members, but occasionally guest teachers present lessons. This group supports mission opportunities, both local and overseas. Monthly social activities are planned and several members participate in general singles activities as well.

### Ragamuffins

Ages: 40 and better!  
Singles only  
9:30 a.m. in Room F128 (Dance Room)

Short-term studies are presented in the discussion format. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17) This group believes that sharing, questioning and discussing topics and current issues is the best way to define our beliefs. Members are very active in the general singles ministry activities and studies as well as in the local church and community.



## Mid-week Bible Studies

### Singles Bible Study

Ages: 40 and better!  
In Room D127, Wednesdays at 7:15

This group welcomes people at different places in their faith journeys who enjoy a lively discussion of the Scriptures.

## Christian Singles Inquiring

C.S.I. is what we call our enrichment studies which are offered throughout the year. Some of the studies previously offered are the *Song of Solomon Bible Study*, *Boundaries*, *Boundaries in Dating*, *Safe People*, *Changes That Heal*, *Hiding from Love*, *Finding the Love of Your Life*, *The Five Love Languages for Singles*, *Don't Shoot Yourself in the Foot*, *Confronting the Controversies* and more.

## Support Groups

We host a weekly faith-based divorce recovery program called DivorceCare, a 13-week program that meets year-round from 6:00–8:00 p.m. on Thursdays.

We also offer GriefShare for those who have lost a loved one. It's held year-round on Thursdays from 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Support for Survivors of Romantic Deception is available by phone or by private consultation.

### Questions or need more info?

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