



Women's Group

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Until this past year, I never really knew the value of sisterhood, of having close females in Christ that I could depend on and turn to for comfort and accountability. Through doing so, I have become a firm believer that inside of every female is a need for the company of other females. There's something about sisterhood, and even brotherhood in itself, which sprouts a growth that cannot be done through sole fellowship with the other gender. As strugglers of university and of this world, I want to call my sisters to come together into a space of empathy, prayer, and growth. However, I would like to change the way we run women's group this year and take a more organic approach, for this ministry should not run according to how I think you females should grow, but of pertinence to the actual needs and struggles of the females in our fellowship.

Philippians 2:1-2 says, "If therefore there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship in the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose." This is the angle in which I want to surround women's group this year. The one purpose in which we are going to move depends on the women of the fellowship; I am merely here as a tool to provide space and any needed resources. After several accounts of organic fellowship and ice breakers, women's group will move according to the needs of the women who are willing to commit.

The thing I want to stress most with women's group this year is **you**: what you want see done and how you want to grow. We can meet weekly, bi-weekly, or even monthly. We can discuss struggles with Christianity, university, family, sex, culture – anything that you ladies see fit. We can do book studies, worship and/or prayer sessions, or just discussion-



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based meet-ups. We can go for high tea, a 5k run, or even eat frivolously together. As we are all in university, we are all currently in a stage of exploration, and women's group at UTCCF this year is all about the exploration of yourself, the exploration of one another's lives, and the exploration of Christ in this world through one another. I encourage all ladies to come into this space where we can all explore the lives that God has called us to live and to explore what it means to be in this world, but not of it.