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DIRECTORY

## What are Small Groups?

Small Groups are groups of people from The Jar that come together to form relationships and learn more about Jesus. Most small groups include around 8-16 people. During their meetings, they study the Bible, pray, worship, and find ways to serve the community. Each group has a leader that facilitates the group.

## Why should I join a Small Group?

Small Groups are a great place to connect with people from The Jar and make new friends. They provide an atmosphere where you can open up about the issues in your life and receive prayer, encouragement, and support. Small Groups also help you to dig deeper into the Bible and apply it to your life.

## How can I join a Small Group?

Contact Emily Skoglund, the Small Group Coordinator at The Jar, by phone (765.289.4527) or email ([emily@thejar.org](mailto:emily@thejar.org)) or sign up online at [thejar.org/small-groups](http://thejar.org/small-groups).

“I love the fact that I have a group of people that does not judge me for my past actions and loves me for who I am.”

“Small group saved my marriage.”

“Small group has made talking and opening up to people a lot easier. Walking across the room does not look scary anymore thanks to the confidence group has given me.”

“I have been loved and cared for through some of the toughest times in my life, which is especially important since I don’t have a family to lean on.”

“My small group has provided me with support, accountability, love, opportunities to learn and teach, and the experience of being the church in the sense that Jesus really intended. It is an amazing thing to be part of true community.”

## Jason & Loryn Craig



**Day / Time** Fridays @ 5:30pm

**Location** Jason and Loryn's House

**Childcare** No

### Contact Info

**Jason** jadcraig43@gmail.com 765.744.9893

**Loryn** lakoop@yahoo.com 317.628.8967

Jason and Loryn are recently married and like to have fun, whether with friends playing games or random car trips just for dinner. They enjoy having others over to their house for small group or game nights. God brought Loryn and Jason to The Jar 2 weeks apart but it took a mutual friend to get them together a few years later. They have attended The Jar for several years now. They do their crazy hectic life together with God as a center point. Both are continuing their education while holding jobs. Jason is a Tool Crib Supervisor at NTK in Anderson. Jason is more of an introvert and Loryn is more of an extrovert.

Jason and Loryn's group is a mix of people of many age groups. It is a mixed media of group including video and group discussion. The group will occasionally have cookouts or bonfires outside of the normal group meetings.

What we're studying:

*Driving Force*

## Aimee Arey Women's Group



**Day / Time** Sundays @ 9:45AM

**Location** Muncie Civic Theatre

**Childcare** Yes (in JarKids)

### Contact Info

**Aimee Arey** ajarey101@yahoo.com 765.748.8808

Aimee has attended The Jar for 7 years. She and her husband Brad, who is retired from the Muncie Police Department, have two daughters, Brittney and Breanna. She loves sports! She likes spending time with her family and friends and likes to read. She is currently employed as the administrative secretary at the Family Medicine Residency Center. Aimee's group is for women only. The group has women from all walks of life. Some are married, some are single, some with and without children. They love to learn and grow in their faith together.

What we're studying:

*The Struggle is Real* by Nicole Unice

## John & Sis Bunch



|                     |                         |              |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Day / Time</b>   | Sundays @ 9:30am        |              |
| <b>Location</b>     | Muncie Civic Theatre    |              |
| <b>Childcare</b>    | Yes (in JarKids)        |              |
| <b>Contact Info</b> |                         |              |
| <b>John</b>         | johnbunch1937@gmail.com | 765.243.9585 |

John is a retired pastor who spends much of his time volunteering at The Jar. He says that his free-floating style contrasts his wife Sis's more structured nature. Sis is witty, a hugger, and loves people and especially kids. John and Sis's group is a mixed group with people from all walks of life. The group focuses on the Bible and learning how to apply it to your life. The group has a relaxed atmosphere where people can share the experiences in their lives. Occasionally they go out for lunch after church just for fun.

What we're studying:  
The Sermon on the Mount

## Chris & Cheryl Wilson



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|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Day / Time</b>   | Thursdays @ 6:30pm           |              |
| <b>Location</b>     | Chris and Cheryl's house     |              |
| <b>Childcare</b>    | Yes                          |              |
| <b>Contact Info</b> |                              |              |
| <b>Chris</b>        | chris@wilson-furniture.com   | 765.602.1993 |
| <b>Cheryl</b>       | chrisandcheryl2017@gmail.com | 765.215.6887 |

Chris and Cheryl met on a blind date through a mutual friend and were married in May 2017. Cheryl has attended The Jar since 2012 and Chris started accompanying her in 2014. Chris is self-employed and Cheryl works as a veterinary drug rep. They enjoy hiking, cycling, being outdoors, and their family of 5 children. Cheryl tends to be the talkative and outgoing one while Chris is reserved and reflective, making the small group comfortable to everyone. They hope to learn from everyone who attends.

What we're studying:  
*The Gospel of John*

## Skoglund/Hall Women's Group



| Day / Time Wednesdays @ 6:30pm |                  |              |
|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Location                       | Emily's house    |              |
| Childcare                      | Yes              |              |
| Contact Info                   |                  |              |
| Emily                          | emily@thejar.org | 765.283.5055 |

Emily is married to Mikey, the Director of Communications at The Jar. She has a 4 year old daughter named Autumn and a 6 month old son named Joshua. She is the Small Groups Director at The Jar. Emily enjoys cooking, dancing and watching movies.

Sonya has a son and two daughters. She is a case manager for Grant Blackford Mental Health. Sonya has attended The Jar for 13 years and volunteers as the Explore Faith Coordinator. She enjoys reading, exercising and spending time with family and friends.

What we're studying:

*Free of Me* by Sharon Miller

## Dale & Connie Lovell



| Day / Time Sundays @ 9:30am |                         |              |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Location                    | Muncie Civic Theatre    |              |
| Childcare                   | Yes                     |              |
| Contact Info                |                         |              |
| Dale                        | hairteacher_1@yahoo.com | 765.717.4140 |

Dale and Connie are originally from Winchester. They have been married for 36 years and were 7th grade sweethearts. They have a son and daughter and 4 grandchildren. They are the owners of Hair Matterz.

What we're studying:

*Love Like You've Never Been Hurt* by Franklin Jentzen

## Jennifer Welch Women's Group



|                                  |                      |              |
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| <b>Day / Time</b> Mondays @ 12pm |                      |              |
| <b>Location</b>                  | Jennifer's House     |              |
| <b>Childcare</b>                 | No                   |              |
| <b>Contact Info</b>              |                      |              |
| Jennifer                         | jnnferwlch@gmail.com | 765.546.8647 |

Jennifer is the Administrative Assistant and Volunteer Director at The Jar. She has two sons and two daughters. She enjoys reading and volleyball, and she loves being a mom.

The Women's Small Group is open to women of any age or status. This is the only group that meets during the day on a week-day.

What we're studying:

*The Struggle is Real* by Nicole Unice

## Truesdale/Lemna Men's Group



|                                    |   |              |
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| <b>Day / Time</b> Wednesdays @ 6pm |   |              |
| <b>Location</b>                    | The Jar Office (920 W Main St Muncie, IN 47305) |              |
| <b>Childcare</b>                   | No  |              |
| <b>Contact Info</b>                |   |              |
| Tom                                | tomtruesdale@ymail.com                          | 765.749.9263 |
| Jaime                              | jlemna@comcast.net                              | 765.744.2968 |

Tom is happily married to his wife Cindy and has two sons and two grandsons. He grew up in Muncie and enjoys riding his bike. Tom has recently joined the Elder Team at The Jar. Jaime has been practicing dentistry since 1985. He has a daughter, two sons, and two grandchildren. He has been married to his wife Holly for 15 years, and they have a dog, a cat, and 2 swans. He likes being outdoors and enjoys doing projects around the house. He serves on the Prayer Team, Dream Team, and Hospitality Team.

Tom and Jaime's group is for men only. The group has existed for a while but has recently become part of The Jar small group team. This group likes to

What we're studying:

*The Book of Job* by Derek Thomas

## Brent & Katie Close



**Day / Time** Tuesdays @ 6:30PM

**Location** Brent & Katie's House

**Childcare** Yes

### Contact Info

**Brent** baclose@gmail.com 317.417.5753

**Katie** close6804@yahoo.com 765.620.0232

Katie is a stay-at-home mom, she enjoys spending time with her family and reading. Brent is a project manager for Comcast Spotlight, he enjoys attending concerts. Brent also serves as a Trustee at The Jar. Katie and Brent have been married since 1997. They have three children, Claire, Olivia, & Wiley, and 3 cats.

What we're studying:

*Work as Worship* by J.D. Greear

## In-Betweeners' Group



**Day / Time** Mondays @ 7pm

**Location** Community Room at the Muncie Civic Theatre

**Childcare** No

### Contact Info

**Cierra Burford** burfordcierra@gmail.com 765.625.1728

**Caleb Ferguson** worship@thejar.org 765.639.1967

Caleb is 23 years old and is the Creative Arts Director at The Jar. He loves playing music, running, Netflix, and food. Caleb also loves Johnny Carinos and Moes. He is currently a student.

Cierra is studying Speech-Language Pathology at Ball State University. She's been leading a women's ministry on campus and is excited to use that experience to help lead this group. She loves music, dogs, and coffee.

Caleb and Cierra's group is a new group this Fall!