

January Theme: Community

How are you feeling as we begin the new year? Some of us can get easily overwhelmed at the thought of what's to come, while others may love the excitement of a fresh start. Regardless of which camp you're in, we can't go through the new year without people to support, challenge, encourage, and love us.

In Galatians 6:2, Paul writes, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." We weren't created to walk through life alone, and that's why Grace Tables exist. We want to make it easy for you to gather and dig deep together so that you can form friendships that go beyond the surface-level talk, and allow you to share the struggles and the joys of life with the people around your table.

Here are some thoughts from Second Women involved in Grace Tables.

"Being a part of a Grace Table has offered a unique perspective into Titus 2 with older women mentoring younger women. In my group, we have women at all ages and stages, and I get insight from those older than me who have walked where I am currently walking in marriage, life, finances, and so much more. It has brought community into my life that is beyond just surface level. These women have become my accountability partners, voices of wisdom, and closest sisters-in-Christ." (Hannah Kennedy)

"Grace Table has connected me in deeper fellowship, especially during these pandemic times when we longed for in-person relationships again. It's made me aware of my ministry partners' unseen needs, and given me opportunities to unveil my own spiritual challenges and celebrate our wins together. Grace Table meetings have been the much-needed touch that my busy life was missing." (Monique Gatton)

"I can get so focused on myself and what I may be dealing with that I don't always take the time to see what someone else is facing. But spending time with these ladies helps me to turn my focus. And as we share life and stories and struggles, we can encourage one another as well as be encouraged ourselves. God didn't intend for us to do life alone and I'm very grateful for the ladies who are part of this group with me." (Cindy Yake)

Whether you've been involved with Grace Tables for 3 years or you're just getting started, we want to remind you that community matters, and it can come through simply extending an invite to enjoy pizza and conversation at your crayon-stained kitchen table.