Events

Group Leader Perspective

*Your regular community group meeting should already be available in the system. These instructions are for creating one-time special events or gatherings for your group.

From the website:

Create a new Event:

- 1. Go to your group and click on the Calendar tab.
- 2. Click + New Event.
- 3. Choose either Rooms and Resources needed (if it will be on a GFC campus) or Rooms and Resources not needed (if it will be anywhere other than a GFC campus).
- 4. Title your event, add a photo if desired, a description, the name of the event organizer, contact phone number, event date/time, location, and Save. If you request to hold the event on a GFC campus, you can also enter setup and cleanup times in minutes that will be added to your event duration.

How to Reserve a GFC room:

- 1. In your event, go to the Rooms & Resources tab. Click Request Rooms & Resources.
- 2. Choose the correct Campus in the top right corner. This ensures the Rooms and Resources are in the appropriate campus when you request.
- 3. Under rooms, pick the room(s) as applicable to your event. Check the box "Request a room layout" and make your selection. Add clarifying notes for setup. Click Done.
- 4. Under resources, pick what is applicable to your event, if anything.
- 5. Add any General Setup Notes and enter Estimated Attendance on the left. Click Save.

Note: If you request to use the GFC Facility, you will not be able to invite people to your event until after it is approved. This could take up to 2 full business days.

Invite people to your new Event:

- 1. On the Guest List tab, click Invite People. You then have the following options:
 - a. By group. (You can invite any group in which you are a leader)
 - b. By Name
 - c. By search, choose a Criteria:
 - i) General (male, female, single, etc)
 - ii) More About (Fit: Gift, Passion, Ability)
 - iii) This Event (send reminder to open invitations)
 - iv) Process Queue
 - v) Church Defined
 - vi) Admin (membership type etc)
- 2. Once you decide on a-c, click and choose "Invite" so they will be notified. Add your recipients and the email text and click Send Now.

Cancel/Change an irregular event:

1. In your group, go to the Calendar tab.

- 2. Click on the Event you'd like to cancel or change.
- 3. Click Manage Event.
- 4. Click Event Actions.
 - a. Choose Edit this event to update location and Save.
 - b. Choose Delete this event to cancel.

Change location/time for one regular, weekly meeting:

- 1. In your group, go to the Calendar tab.
- 2. Click on the Event you'd like to change.
- 3. Click Manage Event.
- 4. Click Event Actions.
- 5. Choose Edit this event and update location/time.
- 6. Near the bottom where it says Apply to:, choose This date only and Save.

Communicate (a change or otherwise) to your group (Email):

- 1. In your group, go to the messages tab.
- 2. Click New Message.
- 3. To:, select all participants. Enter your message of the cancellation or change of location, etc., hit Send. Everyone with an email listed will receive the message.

From the LEAD. app:

Communicate (a change or otherwise) to your group (Text):

- 1. In your group, Send a Group Text.
- 2. Enter your message of the cancellation or change of location, etc., hit Send. Everyone with a mobile phone listed and carrier will receive the text message.

Communicate (a change or otherwise) to your group (email)

- 1. In your group, go to the messages tab.
- 2. Click New Message.
- 3. To:, select all participants. Enter your message and hit Send. Everyone with an email listed will receive the message.

Tips:

- You cannot create an event, cancel an event, nor invite attendants in the app, but you can view the event, the guest list, and take attendance.
- If you need to change the event details of your weekly meeting permanently, please fill out this form.
- To take attendance for your new event, see this article.