

5 Steps to Begin a Baptist Nursing Fellowship Group



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Baptist Nursing Fellowship

“A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead . . . But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and, when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’” Luke 10:30b, 33-35

Why Begin a BNF Group?

The Samaritan man went out of his way, even using his own means to help a fellow traveler. He didn't turn a blind eye to the traveler's plight, rather he stepped into his pain, cared for his wounds, and made provision for his continued healing.

Christian healthcare professionals understand that true healing is a matter of body, mind, and spirit. This is the unique knowledge that you possess. It encompasses the total person, and you speak life, truth, and health into the wholeness of humanity.

A BNF group in your church or community provides focus, collaboration, and unity with other like-minded health professionals. BNF projects enable you to model your faith, as well as share the gospel. People are transformed in body, mind, and spirit.

Our healthcare system is complex, and people need your help. Begin today to pray and call others to pray with you about beginning a BNF group.



Five steps to get you started:

One: Pray First

- Talk to others who may be interested.
- Invite them to pray with you and ask them to share with

Two: Find Resources

- Check out the resources on the national BNF web page: www.baptistnursingfellowship.com

Three: Publicize and Recruit Members

- Ask local hospitals and clinics to post your flyer where employees can see it.
- Invite the healthcare professionals in your church.

Four: Meet and Plan

- Serve healthy snacks.
Follow-up with an email or text a thank you to attendees.

Five: Evaluate and Celebrate

Take a few minutes before packing up to evaluate. It's okay to begin small. The most important thing is to begin. God is with you. He is for you. He loves it when you step out in faith and serve Him among those who have no advocate and no means to access healthcare. He will make your heart sing as you minister as the heart, mind, and hands of Jesus.

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