

About RENEW

RENEW International works with dioceses, parishes, and small Christian communities to train leaders and accompany them as they attract parishioners to share their faith in small groups and grow their parish into a community of communities. We provide the groups with faith-sharing materials that help parishioners experience church as a gathering of disciples of Jesus Christ rather than a solitary experience.



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Testimonial



Parishioner *Mary, Mother of God* Church
Hillsborough, NJ

I've been able to actually delve into different topics, I've been able to talk about different scriptures, [and] I've been able to hear different points of view. We have a lot of fun, there's a lot of camaraderie!

Jesus himself started by gathering a small group of disciples around him.

He taught them, shared with them, and trusted them with the mission to build the Church and transform the world.



What are Small Christian Communities?

- Groups of 6 to 10 people
- People who gather regularly to share their faith experiences, reflect on scripture, pray together, and commit to Christian action.
- Gatherings that encourage personal openness, mutual support, and the development of deep, trusting relationships among members.

RENEW International believes that forming small Christian communities is one of the best ways to connect people more deeply with the Word of God, to enrich our prayer lives, to witness to one another and be strengthened by that witness, and to love and support one another through this pilgrimage of life.

As well as the resources in our bookstore, we offer **free webinars** that everyone is invited to join. Our webinars focus on topics such as forming small groups, parish renewal, honoring sacred seasons, social justice and spiritual renewal. They are enriching for any leader or member of a small Christian community.

Explore all of our upcoming webinars on our FVFNTS PAGE at

events.RENEWintl.org



The RENEW Bookstore offers books in English and Spanish that are *ALL* designed for small-group faith sharing and include scripture, prayer, reflections, discussion questions, and examples of Christian action.

Resource Highlights



Leader Guides

Explore these guides for small-community facilitators!



Seasonal Books

RENEW has a variety of resources for Advent and Lent, including downloadable options!



Timely Resources

We have resources for the liturgical year, the Jubilee Year, and more!



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Results of Small Christian Communities

- Focus on Spiritual Growth: By engaging in regular faith-sharing, members are invited to grow in their understanding of scripture, the teachings of the Church, and their personal relationship with God.
- Community Building: Through the process of sharing and supporting each other, group members develop bonds of friendship and solidarity. This also helps them become more connected to their local church community.
- Mission and Service: In addition to prayer, scripture, and discussion questions, RENEW resources prompt small-community members to consider how to put their faith into action, calling for acts of charity, outreach, and social justice.