



Have you thought about starting a Christian-Based Widows Support Group in your church? Based on our experience, an effective ministry begins with the five steps listed below. The initial steps will take approximately four months to complete. It is important that you take your time and complete these steps before your first meeting.

FIVE STEPS OF PREPARATION TO BEGIN A WIDOWS SUPPORT GROUP IN YOUR CHURCH

1. Pray/Seek guidance of the Holy Spirit
2. Begin to seek Pastoral and Deacon Leadership and Support.
3. Identify widows within your church.
4. Pray for a widow or woman who has compassion for widows to lead a Biblically-based Support Group.
5. Study and learn about grief.

The *Kentucky Joy in the Mourning* Team reaches out to widows to share our stories, encourage, minister, and give insight on how to navigate this season of life.

Our team is available for church workshops to help establish and train teams for an effective widows' ministry.

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Praise be to the God...who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.

2 Corinthians 1: 3-4