

WHO IS A C.A. MEMBER?

While the name "Cocaine Anonymous" may sound drug-specific, we wish to assure you that our program is not. Many of our members did a lot of cocaine; others used only a little, and some never even tried coke. We have members who drank only on occasion, those who casually referred to themselves as drunks, and others who were full-blown alcoholics. Lots of us used a wide variety of mind-altering substances. Whether we focused on a specific substance or used whatever we could get our hands on, we had one thing in common: eventually we all reached a point where we could not stop. According to C.A.'s Third Tradition, the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using cocaine and all other mind-altering substances. Whatever you may have been using, if it led you to this meeting, you're probably in the right place. Over time, virtually every single one of us has realized that our real problem is not cocaine or any specific drug; it is the disease of addiction. It can be tempting to focus on our differences rather than our similarities, but this can blind us to potential sources of support in our recovery. As we hear other members' stories, the most important question to ask ourselves is not, "Would I have partied with these people?" but rather, "Do these people have a solution that can help me stay sober?" We encourage you to stick around and listen with an open mind. With its all-inclusive Third Tradition and First Step, Cocaine Anonymous welcomes anyone with a drug or alcohol problem and offers a solution. C.A.'s Twelve Steps are not drug-specific, and Cocaine Anonymous is not a drug-specific Fellowship. It doesn't matter to us if you drank or what type of drugs you used; if you have a desire to stop, you are welcome here!

THE PROMISES

If we are painstaking about this phase of our development, we will be amazed before we are half way through. We are going to know a new freedom and a new happiness. We will not regret the past nor wish to shut the door on it. We will comprehend the word serenity and we will know peace. No matter how far down the scale we have gone, we will see how our experience can benefit others. That feeling of uselessness and self pity will disappear. We will lose interest in selfish things and gain interest in our fellows. Self-seeking will slip away. Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will change. Fear of people and of economic insecurity will leave us. We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us. We will suddenly realize that God is doing for us what we could not do for ourselves. Are these extravagant promises? We think not. They are being fulfilled among us—sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly. They will always materialize if we work for them.

TELEPHONE

The telephone is our lifeline between meetings. Get phone numbers from other CA members. We are usually shy about calling at first, but we must find a way to do it. We suggest you call someone in the program daily.

PHONE NUMBERS

God,
Grant us the **Serenity** to Accept
the things we cannot change,
Courage to **Change** the things we can,
and **Wisdom** to know the **Difference**.

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**SOUTH CAROLINA AREA
MEETING SCHEDULE**



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WHAT IS COCAINE ANONYMOUS?

Cocaine Anonymous is a Fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others recover from their addiction. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using cocaine and all other mind-altering substances. There are no dues or fees for membership; we are fully Self-supporting through our own contributions. We are not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution. We do not wish to engage in any controversy and we neither endorse nor oppose any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay free from cocaine and all other mind-altering substances, and to help others achieve the same freedom.

REACHING OUT

I made it into this Program because someone else worked their Twelfth Step on me. Someone passed it on to me. Someone was out there after they got clean and sober, caring about others. I need to never, ever forget that. Had they simply gone on with their lives and forgotten about people like me who were still out there using and suffering, I wouldn't be here today. My gratitude begins with that fact. It is with that gratitude in mind that I reach out to others, especially the newcomers. I need to have them in my life. That is where my spirituality begins.

For me, spirituality comes from caring about others. I have found that the more I focus on improving the quality of the lives of others, the less I am into myself and my will. I feel a freedom and peace from within. The gifts I am beginning to receive in my life are greater than I could have ever imagined.

Something else I have done is that I have forgiven myself. I have forgiven myself for being an addict. I have forgiven myself for all the damage I did to my life, to my physical health, and to my career and finances. But most of all, I have forgiven myself for all of the horrible, negative and unloving things I have felt about myself. It was not until I offered and accepted my own forgiveness, that I was truly able to grow in my sobriety.

AREA DAILY MEETING SCHEDULE

MONDAY

Three Pertinent Ideas 5:30 PM
2110 Peach Orchard Rd
Sumter, SC 29150

Conway Group 6:00 PM
Rock Church
1701 Church St
Conway, SC 29526

There Is A Solution 6:45 PM
The Step Up Club
171 Old Parsonage Rd
Summerville, SC 29483

House on the Hill (Beginner's Meeting) 7:00 PM
United Methodist Church
300 Lowell Ave
Greenwood, SC 29646

TUESDAY

Conway Group 6:00 PM
First United Methodist Church
1101 Fifth Ave
Conway, SC 29527

House on the Hill (Big Book Study) 7:00 PM
United Methodist Church
300 Lowell Ave
Greenwood, SC 29646

WEDNESDAY

There Is A Solution 6:45 PM
The Step Up Club
171 Old Parsonage Rd
Summerville, SC 29483

House on the Hill (Speaker Meeting) 7:00 PM
United Methodist Church
300 Lowell Ave
Greenwood, SC 29646

Stepping Out On Faith 7:00 PM
508 Piedmont Ave
Anderson, SC 29621

THURSDAY

Three Pertinent Ideas 5:30 PM
2110 Peach Orchard Rd
Sumter, SC 29150

House on the Hill (Step Study) 7:00 PM
United Methodist Church
300 Lowell Ave
Greenwood, SC 29646

Drop the Rock Group 9:30 PM
1101 Rhonda St
Sumter, SC 29154

FRIDAY

There Is A Solution 3:30 PM
The Step Up Club
171 Old Parsonage Rd
Summerville, SC 29483

Conway Group 7:00 PM
First United Methodist Church

1101 Fifth Ave
Conway, SC 29527

Common Solutions 7:30 PM
(Brown metal building at corner of
Dobbins Rd and Hwy 17)
2518 Savannah Hwy
Charleston, SC 29414

SATURDAY

Three Pertinent Ideas NOON
2110 Peach Orchard Rd
Sumter, SC 29150

There Is A Solution (Campfire/candlelight) 9:30 PM
The Step Up Club
171 Old Parsonage Rd
Summerville, SC 29483

SUNDAY

There Is A Solution (Literature Study) 3:00 PM
The Step Up Club
171 Old Parsonage Rd
Summerville, SC 29483

THE TWELVE STEPS OF COCAINE ANONYMOUS

1. We admitted we were powerless over cocaine and all other mind-altering substances – that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*, praying only for knowledge of His will for us, and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to addicts, and to practice these principles in all of our affairs.