

Plus, create your own **Check it Out** table to encourage your members to get out and explore their new town or city!



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Two ways for your *After the Boxes* group to meet Susan Miller

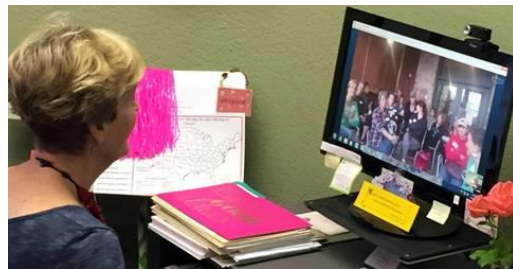


Susan's welcome video

After the 3rd or 4th session of your *After the Boxes* study, air this [2-minute video](#) to introduce members to Susan and to the work of Just Moved Ministry.

Invite Susan to meet your group!

Through Facetime or Zoom, Susan really enjoys meeting and celebrating each member of your group, answering questions, and encouraging everyone. Email [Paulette](#) to schedule.



My group has already gone through several sessions of the study and I'm being asked if other newcomers who have just moved can join us. Should I keep my class open for new women even though they've missed the first sessions?

Susan: I always keep my sessions open and if a new woman comes, I

welcome her! I don't close my class to newcomers, unless it's the last session. By then, it is better for them to start the next session. The women in my class embrace another newcomer among us with a sensitive understanding of what it's like to be the "new newcomer" and they bond through having much in common. It also helps that each teaching session stands alone. Of course, newcomers missed the benefits of the previous sessions, but they are welcome to join us for the next class to pick up those missing sessions. They are also encouraged to read any missed sessions in the [After the Boxes Are Unpacked](#) book or watch the [video sessions](#). I've never experienced a problem with letting a newcomer join class after it started. I find that the benefits of enfolding them at their point of need far exceed missed sessions.

Do you have a question for Susan? Email your question to JoAnn, joannsmith@justmoved.org

Check it Out!



Check out this great idea from **Sharon Nowlin**, former Group Leader at Christ Community Church in Leawood, KS! (She retired this year and 'passed the baton' to Genie Beck.)

Sharon wrote, "Each week on a table we feature a different CHECK IT OUT! display with a list of suggested stores or places of interest the women might want to visit. We have a printed handout for each class member to take.

The first week, we featured a list of **Coffee Shops/Bakeries/Tea Shops** in the area. To emphasize those, we decorated with coffee mugs, a teapot, cup & saucer, canisters of tea, etc. and a platter of samples from one of the bakeries!

Last week, our CHECK IT OUT! table was decorated for Fall and we had printed lists of **local Fall Festivals, Pumpkin Patches, and Corn Mazes** the women could take.

This week, our CHECK IT OUT! table will feature brochures of **places to visit and things to do in Kansas and Missouri**. These were picked up from the local Chamber of Commerce and Missouri Visitors' Center."

What creative idea has worked in your group? [Send us](#) your tips so that other leaders can learn from you.

October *After the Boxes* Study Group Spotlight



First Woodway Baptist Church, Woodway, TX

Nancy Jackson, Group Leader

Nancy shared, "We had our luncheon today and were missing a few, but here's our class. We had a wonderful group of women and everyone is already excited about the next semester!"

Our group had 5 women that moved from California! That was surprising! Otherwise, we had a majority that were moving to be closer to family and grand kids. They all came to the class to meet people and form community. Most of them have joined our church now and a bunch have joined my Sunday School class!"

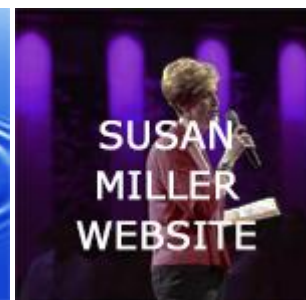
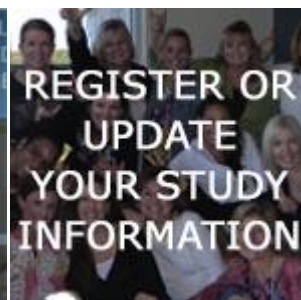
Email [Paulette](#) or [JoAnn](#) your fun photo of your newcomers to be submitted for a future [Group Spotlight](#). [Click here](#) for instructions for taking a screen shot of your online group.

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