WELCOME, 15 mins.
Prepare a couple simple, fun and delightful icebreakers to help your group warm up. Help your cell group members to put aside their busy and tiresome life to prepare their hearts to come before God.

I. WORSHIP, 20 mins.
Prayerfully choose a few songs to lead the cell group members to worship God. The worship leader would encourage members to come before the throne of God to seek God’s face, and lead them into God’s presence. During this time, the cell group leader will also lead the group to pray aloud for the following prayer items:

A. MISSION ORGANIZATION: ________________, and their needs are: ________________
(Please contact the church if you don’t know the needs of the mission organization.)

B. CHURCH MINISTRY:
- Thanksgiving/Appreciation Luncheon
- 11/30 Baptism Class & 7 Steps to freedom
- 12/7 Baptism Class
- 12/8-12/12 Cell Group Christmas Outreach
- 12/20 Christmas Party

C. New comer: ________________ Confirm new comers’ name before the meeting.
For sick members, friends or relatives: ________________ Please discuss how you may show your care to them.

II. WORD, 45 mins. By sharing God’s word, the group may discuss how to apply it to their daily life.
A. Sharing message from last Sunday’s sermon: (It would be helpful if you could listen on-line once again)
1. What is the key message from last Sunday sermon? How did God speak to you through the message?
2. How would you respond to the message? What action will you take after listening to the message?

B. Topic of the week: Choose to be a blessing

Verses: Numbers 6: 23-27
Memorizing Verses: “The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.” (Numbers 6:25-26)

Blessings have power. Those that we bless will create an affirmation that leads the person toward the direction you expect him/her to move forward to.

If a player with long legs receives praise from the coach saying he is a fleet runner, he is likely to become a runner in the future. A sharp-minded student might become a mathematician because the teacher praises him for reasoning ability. A sensitive child might become a famous litterateur thanks to his parents’ compliments.

Discussions
1. Please share one blessing that you have received that came to pass.
   The operation of blessing:
   A. Someone shows a specific talent
   B. You observe his/her talent
   C. You bless the person for his/her talent in the name of Jesus
   D. The person receives your blessings and new revelation.
   E. The person agrees with you and perceives self affirmation.
   F. Your blessing and his/her self-affirmation inspire potential and zeal within.
   G. His/her efforts make him/her to become a person you expect to be

2. Share your team member’s strength.
   Blessings carry the power to make things complete, while a curse carries the power of destruction. For examples:
A child being scolded about having no future is likely to achieve nothing in life.
A student being scolded as dumb is likely to become one.
Accusing a friend for gossip is likely to find his/her speaking ill words behind your back.
Scolding subordinates of screwing things up, is likely to get failure.
The Bible foresees the miraculous power between blessings and curses, and comes up with a simple tip: do not curse, only bless. It is the key to harmonious family and good people skills.

Don’t say why you are so slow, but say if you try harder you can work faster.
Don’t say why are you so stupid, but say
Don’t say you are selfish, but say
Don’t say you are a gossiper, but say

3. How to help you speak positive, encouraging, edifying and blessing words?
Jesus is the expert in giving blessings and relying on the Holy Spirit to encourage disciples to become the person He wants them to be. Jesus even told Peter:

“Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter (the Greek word for Peter means rock).
I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be[d] bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be[c] loosed in heaven.” Matthew 16:19-20
Jesus’ blessing promotes Peter’s self-image and reaffirms his self esteem. Peter became a forerunner for churches. On the day of Pentecost, Peter and other eleven disciples stood up to testify for Christ’s resurrection and led 3,000 people to repent and enter into God’s kingdom.
Peter had tasted this blessing and the power it could bring. When time came to pass on his legacy, Peter followed Jesus’ and blessed his spiritual sons and daughters:

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)
Even today we can still feel the power the blessing has brought forth. Let us bless people around us so they can exemplify the wonderful effect of being blessed.

4. What is the blessing you received from God? How does it turn out?
5. What kind of blessing you want to give to other people? How can you pray for them?

Prayer:
Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you and praise you. The plans You have for us is to proper us, and to give hope and a future so we can live full of hope. I’m determined to bless others and speak positive words to encourage and edify them, so they can live out the purpose you created them to be and glorify you. We pray in Jesus’ precious name. Amen!

III. WORK (Pray for each other), 10 mins.
Please break into group of 2 or 3 to pray for each other’s needs.