

## **Welcome to the Gift of Sobriety**

**Open Meetings:** This is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. We are glad that you are here especially newcomers. In keeping with our singleness of purpose and our 3<sup>rd</sup> tradition, which states “that the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking”, we ask all who participate to confine their discussion to their problems as they relate to alcohol.

**Closed Meetings:** This is a closed meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. In support of AA’s singleness of purpose, attendance at closed meetings is limited to persons that have a desire to stop drinking. If you think you have a problem with alcohol, you are welcome to attend this meeting. We ask all who participate to confine their discussion to their problems as they relate to alcohol.

**Chairperson:** Introduce yourself.

## **Serentiy Prayer**

**AA Preamble:** Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self- supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

**Reminders:** There are no dues or fees for AA membership, but we do have expenses that need to be met. Please contribute 3 or more dollars, if possible, using PayPal or Zelle to [treasury@giftofsobriety.org](mailto:treasury@giftofsobriety.org) or using CashApp to \$TheGiftofSobriety

**Newcomer Assistance:** (Chairperson: Please ask for volunteers to stay online after the meeting to answer any questions for the newcomers.)

**Announcements:** We are muted upon entry to the meeting. If able, we raise our hands to request to share. We un-mute ourselves before we begin sharing. Otherwise, the zoom host can assist as needed.

**Volunteers needed:** So that we have continuity in our meetings, we are looking for volunteers to sign up to regularly chair. If you are willing to be of service, please sign up on our website: <https://giftofsobriety.org> The [meeting format](#) is posted under AA MTG schedule on the website. If you want to chair but need some guidance with the format or Zoom, a member will be happy to help you.

**Additional announcements** will be posted to the website. (Chairperson: Ask if there are any AA announcements from the group.)

**Please have someone read:** [How It Works](#) and [The Twelve Traditions](#).

**Ask:** Is there anyone here for their first AA meeting? Is there anyone visiting from another group that would like to be recognized?

**Offer Chips:** Desire chip? 1, 2, 3, 6, 9 months? Annual birthdays?

**Ask:** Is there anyone close to a drink that would like to talk about it?

**Meeting Topic:** (Chairperson: choose a topic related to alcoholism)

**Midway Through Meeting:** In keeping with our 7th tradition, which states that we are self-supporting through our own contributions, we will now pause the meeting for 1 minute to pass the basket and we ask that you contribute what you can (Chairperson: set a timer for 1 minute please don't estimate)

During this 1 minute we'll post the QR codes on the screen, and we'll also put links in Chat for contributions via Zelle, PayPal and CashApp.

**In Closing:** Reminder that who you see here & what is said here stays here (there are no recordings allowed). If you are willing to sponsor, please raise your hand.

**Close** with the [Lord's Prayer](#)