

Community Group Covenant



Purpose

*To faithfully provide an environment where disciples are made by:
authentic community and spiritual growth.*

Essentials and Goals

Relationships

Since Jesus summarized the law as loving God and loving people (Mt 22:37-40), the way in which we gauge the effectiveness of our community group is by growth in relationships.

Authenticity

The atmosphere of our group will encourage openness and transparency among members. It will be a place where we can feel free to be ourselves. Also, we will seek to speak the truth in love (Eph. 4:15).

Confidentiality

In order for authenticity to occur, we must be able to trust one another that the things discussed in the group will remain in the group.

Respect

We will strive to keep the environment of our group caring and loving. We will never share anything that will intentionally embarrass our members or spouse. We will first seek approval before sharing things that could damage one another's reputation in the group.

Faithfulness

We will seek to make the relationships in our group a priority in our lives. This means that we will commit ourselves to regular meetings, ministering to the needs of one another, and connecting with each other outside of regular meetings.

Multiplication

We understand that one of the primary goals of our group is to invite others into a life transforming relationship with Jesus (Matt. 28:19-20). For this reason we will seek out intentional redeeming relationships with those who don't know Christ and prayerfully seek ways to engage and incorporate them in our group.

Participation

Since we believe that God has gifted each of us individually for the purpose of building up one another (1 Cor. 12:12-26), we will seek to fully invest ourselves in the lives of our group members.

Group Guidelines

1. We covenant to meet from _____ to _____.
2. We covenant to meet on _____ during the week.
3. The group will begin at _____ and end at _____.
4. The group time will consist primarily of three components:
 - fellowship
 - application and study of God’s Word
 - prayer
5. We covenant together to meet and participate on a weekly basis unless providentially hindered.
6. We covenant together to pray for one another on a weekly basis.
7. We covenant together to connect with one another outside of group meetings.
8. We covenant together to make the group essentials and goals a priority in our lives.
9. We covenant together in the additional following ways: _____

I covenant together with all other group members to honor this agreement.

Group Leader(s): _____ Date: _____
_____ Date: _____

Group Members: _____ Date: _____
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