

OUR SMALL GROUP COVENANT

The purpose of our group is to grow in a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ and to encourage and support one another in authentic community.

Our meeting time will begin at _____ and end at _____.

If I'm going to be late, I will call/email/text the group leader to let them know.

Group Leader Contact Info:

For our group to be a safe and authentic place of community, we agree to the following:

We will begin and end each meeting with prayer.

We will commit to doing our best to complete the homework and attend consistently.

We will listen attentively to one another.

We will show respect for one another.

We will allow each other to ask hard questions. There are no stupid questions.

A well-balanced group should include the thoughts of all group members. We will make sure that everyone has a chance to share.

We will not share anything from within the group with anyone outside the group.

When someone is brave enough to share struggles and challenges, we will avoid judgments. We will listen, encourage, and speak words that promote the fruits of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control).

We will stay on topic. While it's important to be genuine and share what is going on in our lives, we must remember that this is a small group for many, not just one. We should avoid treating this time as a personal counseling session.

If we feel that we need more assistance than is found within the group, we will speak to the group leader privately to find out what services or pastoral assistance the church may be able to offer.

Together, we will work towards cultivating a community that is life-giving, passionately loves God, hungers for His Word, uses our gifts, pursues our calling, shares our stories, and asks for the Holy Spirit to help us develop Christ-like character.

Group Member Signature

Date