



GROUP LEADER COVENANT

OVERVIEW

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Life Group leader! We want you to be confident & fully acquainted about the role you'll play with our strategy to "make disciples who make disciples." LifeGroups are our most intentional expression of biblical community. As a LifeGroup leader, you hold an influential role that will literally help shape other's lives by your words and your actions. That's why we have established this Group Leader Covenant for your prayerful consideration. We ask that you read it thoroughly, consider the implications, and if you feel led to do so – either sign on-line or return a signed copy to our campus Groups Minister.

Believing that the privilege of serving and guiding others in their discovery and application of God's Word is worthy of my surrender to God's call for service, I covenant to:

KNOW MY PURPOSE

I recognize and agree that my purpose is to grow, care, and equip group members toward Christ-likeness. My primary responsibility is to see that my group members embrace the Gospel and I will make consistent effort to encourage them toward:

1) Having *Gospel Conversations*, 2) Finding care and support in *Groups*, 3) Serving the church, our neighbors, and the nations through *Going*, 4) *Gathering* in corporate worship, and 5) Growing in *Giving* and stewardship.

CONFESS MY SALVATION

I hereby give witness to the fact that I have responded in faith to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, through repentance of my sins, and professing Jesus as my Savior. I acknowledge His authority as my Lord & Savior, as well as the power of the Holy Spirit to govern my life.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

I hereby give witness to the fact that I am an active member (or in the membership process) of _____, and I'm committed to its mission and vision of "Engaging the whole person with the whole gospel of Jesus Christ anywhere, anytime, with anybody."

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

I recognize and agree that the spiritual condition of my heart is the single most important criteria for group leadership and is in direct relation to my willingness to follow Jesus obediently. I recognize and agree that a life of obedience is characterized by humility, submitting to the Holy Spirit, and that spiritual fruit should be evident in my thoughts, attitudes, and behaviors. Spiritual Growth includes my:

- **CONDUCT** – As I continually develop in my personal relationship with Jesus, I will seek to live in accordance with biblical principles, seeking the Holy Spirit's help in my life, even when not at church or in your group. My utmost desire is to be in an authentic relationship with Jesus Christ (Luke 9:23, 2 Timothy 2:5, Ephesians 4:1).



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- **BIBLE** – I will use the Bible as my primary teaching resource and as the final authority on faith and practice (2 Timothy 3:16-17).
- **ACCOUNTABILITY** – I accept responsibility to consistently provide information and/or updates to the Groups Minister. I will prioritize leader trainings and gatherings, including an end-of-year review in the spring semester.

COMMIT MY TIME + ENERGY

I recognize and agree that my on-going commitment & involvement is a requirement for my role as a LifeGroup leader. This includes being faithful in preparing and leading the group on a consistent basis, loving each person in my group, communicating with the Groups Minister in a timely fashion, and consistently attending corporate worship on Sundays. As part of this commitment, I will:

- **FAITHFULLY SHEPHERD** – I agree to guide and guard our group gatherings to be rooted in prayer and scripture as we model a culture of authenticity during discussions. I will be organized and prepared for each group gathering, including prayerfully seeking to identify and equip a co-leader(s) in the group to help lead and facilitate (2 Timothy 2:2).
- **FERVENTLY SUPPORT** – I agree to support the mission, vision, values, and direction of the church as communicated by church leadership. If I have issues or questions, I will first bring those to the appropriate minister on our campus to seek clarity and understanding. I will advocate for unity, grace, and communication and avoid gossip, dissention, and isolation (Ephesians 4:29, Philippians 2:2, Proverbs 18:1). Furthermore, I agree to support the established church leadership and the stated mission/vision of the church (Hebrews 13:17), including teaching within the bounds of the Baptist Faith and Message, 2000 (<https://bfm.sbc.net/bfm2000/>) (Titus 2:1).

If at any time I am unable or unwilling to fulfill this covenant in good conscience, I will relinquish my position of leadership as a LifeGroup leader. I will contact the Groups Minister to communicate this decision.

I have read and agree to the Group Leader Covenant. My signature below indicates my agreement to abide by the above obligations.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: ____ / ____ / ____
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PRINT YOUR NAME: _____