

SAMPLE Small Group Covenant Upper Arlington Lutheran Church

Group Purpose

What do we want to be the primary area(s) of focus for our group for this session?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Study | Comments: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Service | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discipleship | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach/Support | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | _____ |

What do we want to get out of our small group (i.e., goals)? _____

Role of prayer in our Small Group (i.e., prayer card): _____

Group Logistics

How long is the current session for our group (i.e., 8 weeks, 3 months)? _____

Meeting time? _____ Frequency? _____

Where will we meet (i.e., rotate homes, church, coffee shop)? _____

How will we address child care (if necessary)? _____

How will we handle refreshments? _____

How will we balance our meeting agenda with the potential for long discussions?

- We will try to stick to a pre-defined timeframes to make sure everyone is heard and we accomplish all of the items on our group meeting agenda.
- We will let discussion flow even if that discussion tends to focus on one or two people at a meeting and we do not accomplish all of the items on our agenda.
- Other: _____

New Member Policy

What do we think is an ideal size for our group? _____

What is our policy for bringing additional members of the group?

- Group is open to any who may want to come participate
- We want our group to be closed for now
- We have defined a “trial period” to make sure joining the group is right for both parties
- Other: _____

As the group gets larger, do we want to “split” to create more small group opportunities for others?

Commitment to Each Other

- **Attendance:** We will make our group meetings a priority in our busy schedules and notify the facilitator when we cannot attend.
- **Participation:** We will share responsibility for the group.
- **Contribution:** We will contribute to the group by either sharing or refraining from sharing as appropriate.
- **Confidentiality:** We will consider everything said within the group (including prayer requests) as confidential.
- **Accountability:** We give permission to group members to hold each other accountable.
- **Availability:** We will be available to help group members in times of need.
- **Prayer:** We will be in prayer for each other daily between group meetings.

Agreed upon by members of the group on _____(date)

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