

# What Is A LifeGroup?

# A LifeGroup is a multiplying family of people who are following Jesus together by fulfilling the Five LifeGroup Member Responsibilities.

To learn what you can expect to experience from your LifeGroup, watch this video.

For a concise explanation of what we expect from you, as a LifeGroup Member, start by simply watching <u>this video</u>.

For a more detailed explanation, see the descriptions below.

Five LifeGroup Member Responsibilities

- 1. <u>Fully Participate</u>
- 2. <u>Stay Connected</u>
- 3. <u>Be Transparent/Vulnerable</u>
- 4. Encourage With God's Word
- 5. <u>Accept Delegated Roles</u>



## 1. Fully Participate

#### LIFEGROUP TIME

LifeGroup time consists of the following four parts. Please use the links provided to learn about the purpose and function of each part.

- 1. <u>God Sightings & Spiritual Practices</u>
- 2. <u>Review The Mission</u>
- 3. <u>Bible Study & Sermon Discussion</u>
- 4. Engage The Heart

Make a concerted effort to be on time when you are able to do so.

Participate Verbally during each part of LifeGroup Time

- Be willing to pray during LifeGroup Time
- Express sympathy and concern when LifeGroup Members share things that are difficult for them

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• Accepting responsibility for bringing what is needed when you are able. For example: Bringing food to potlucks if you are able to do so.

## 2. Stay Connected

Stay connected and in contact with LG members outside of scheduled LG functions. You can do this by:

- Sharing prayer requests
- Praying for people and letting them know that you've prayed for them
- Keeping people updated on significant events/occurrences in your life
- Calling people to vent
- Seeking council on life decisions
- Grabbing a meal with a LG Member

### 3. Be Transparent & Vulnerable

**James 5:16** Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.



**1 Corinthians 12:25-26** that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. 26 If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

Confess sin and share your victories over sin and temptation.

Share the highs and the lows of life so we can pray for, encourage, suffer with, and rejoice with each other.

If there is any division between you and someone else in the LifeGroup, address it directly in love and with grace. Follow the biblical model in Matthew 18:15-17 for pursuing reconciliation if you are sinned against.

To help us keep a culture of transparency, keep what's shared in LifeGroup Time confidential.

### 4. Encourage With God's Word

**Hebrews 3:12-13** Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. 13 But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

Encourage one another with the truth of God's Word, trusting that the Holy Spirit desires to use you to sanctify the members of your LifeGroup.

This can include:

- Encouraging someone to wage war against sin during Engage the Heart
- Sharing what stood out to you from God's Word during Bible Study & Sermon Discussion
- A GroupMe message that includes scripture

### 5. Accept LifeGroup Roles

When possible, accept responsibility for one of the following six essential LifeGroup Roles. At minimum, we need to have LifeGroup Members serving in the following six roles. There are other roles that can be beneficial and helpful, but these are the priority.

#### ROLES FOR LIFEGROUP MEMBERS DURING LIFEGROUP TIME

1. <u>God Sightings & Spiritual Practices Leader</u>



- 2. <u>Review The Mission Leader</u>
- 3. <u>Bible Study & Sermon Discussion Leader</u>
- 4. Engage The Heart Leader

#### ROLES FOR LIFEGROUP MEMBERS THAT ARE OUTSIDE OF LIFEGROUP TIME

- 5. <u>Rhythm Planner</u>
- 6. <u>Prayer Leader</u>

\*\*For detailed responsibilities of each role see, <u>6 Essential LifeGroup Roles Descriptions</u>, and use the links provided for each role above.