

Neighborhood Group Expectations

Fairfax Community Church

LEADER: _____ HOST: _____

Neighborhood Groups thrive on participation! The purpose of this agreement is to help you to discuss and clarify your group's goals, expectations, and commitments.

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS: THEIR PURPOSE

Neighborhood Groups exist to promote spiritual personal growth through meaningful Christian relationships and the study of God's Word (Romans 8:29 & Hebrews 10:24, 25). We'll do this by focusing on three primary activities:

SHARE

Each week we'll take time to share what is happening in our lives. At first this sharing will include planned "get-to-know-you questions." But after the first few weeks, it will become more informal and personal as we feel more comfortable.

STUDY

Each week we'll study a section from God's Word that relates to the previous weekend's sermon. Our goal is to learn how to live out our life with Christ and with others.

SUPPORT

Each week we'll learn how to take care of one another as Christ commanded (John 15:9-13). This care can take many forms such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging one another, and meeting real needs.

LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

For our group to live out this new command in John 13:34,
we look to our core values as a church:

Pray
Give
Invite
Mentor
Serve

GUIDELINES & AGREEMENT

1. Calendar: We will meet on a quarterly basis beginning in October and pausing during the months of July and August.
2. Time: We'll arrive between _____ & _____ and begin the meeting at _____. We'll spend approximately _____ minutes in fellowship, _____ minutes in study/discussion, and _____ minutes in prayer/sharing.
3. Children (if part of your group): Group members are responsible to arrange child care for their children or agree to having:
_____.
4. Study: Our studies will focus on the same topic covered in the previous Sunday's sermon or an appropriate personal growth topic. Our goal is to learn how to live out from ABOVE.
5. Prayer: We will spend time praying for one another.
6. Attendance: Joining a Neighborhood Group requires a commitment to attend each week. Obviously, allowances are made for sickness, vacation, work conflicts, and other special events.

If we cannot come to a meeting, we will contact (Who/How):

_____.

7. Refreshments/Desserts: Unique to each group.

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