



SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Thanks for leading a small group at FOB. We are so glad to have you on the team and we believe God will work in and through you as you are led by the Spirit of God. Some of the info below is adapted from the “Truth Project” Training.

1. Overall Objectives

- Deep Transformation (Rom. 12:1-2, allow time for God to work in people’s lives)
- Intimate Fellowship (be real & authentic, create an atmosphere for the strengthening of relationships)
- Multiplication (if your group grows too large, make recommendation to Pastor Don for leaders from your group)

2. Your Role as Group Leader

- Intercessory Role (write out prayer needs weekly, pray by name, remind yourself of needs prior to meetings)
- Shepherding Role (keep meeting focused, begin & end on time, keep element of care throughout meeting)
- Hospitality (create atmosphere of warmth for guests, eliminate distractions, keep meeting area clean & neat)
- Delegation (allow others to help with bringing food, making phone calls, leading worship, prayer or sharing)

3. The Foundation for Your Small Group

We believe prayer is the foundation for your small group. Pray by name for each member of your group on a weekly basis. The success of your group is not dependent on your ability to lead an excellent discussion. The most important thing you can give every member of your small group is the time you spend in prayer on their behalf. You may need to jot down some notes after your meetings to remind yourself to pray for certain areas or to call group members to care for them. You can also delegate some of this to other group members who have a shepherd’s heart.

4. Communication

Please let us know if there is anything we can help you with. Pastor Don is overseeing our new Care Groups as I oversee all other Small Groups. We will be rotating all Care Groups along with our wives and look forward to being part of these new groups. If there are situations that arise where you feel you need to alert one of the Elders or Pastors, or if someone in your group requires additional care or counseling, please let us know.

God Bless,

Pastor Tom