

Life Transformation Group Covenant

Furthering our Vision:

Reach – Inspire – Multiply - Transform

Grace & acceptance:

In light of God's grace and forgiveness in my life, I will be gracious with others. I will be "quick to listen" and "slow to speak", leaving time for others to talk. I will make sure everyone has an opportunity to share what God is doing in their life. I will encourage those who may be more reluctant to share their ideas. I will be sensitive to my fellow group member's needs, feelings, and current life situations, being non-judgmental of whatever is shared in the group.

Confidentiality:

Anything said in the group stays in the group. Everything is assumed to be in confidence, unless specifically stated otherwise. The Group Leader will refer me to a pastor if I am contemplating harming myself or others.

Prayer:

I will pray for the members of my group on a regular basis, to lift up their needs to the Lord. I will communicate my prayer needs to the group so that they will know what to pray for.

Advice Giving:

I will not be quick to share advice, especially during prayer time. People want to know that others care about them. When advice is offered too freely, people begin to feel that the group is not a "safe place" to share their needs. Yet I will be sensitive to the Spirit's leading, sharing His healing truth in love if necessary, and will request the person's permission first.

Support:

As needs arise, I will become involved in caring for fellow group member's physical, emotional, or spiritual needs.

Honesty & Transparency:

I will be as open with my life at this time as I can. I will show myself to the group, letting them know who I am as a person. I will work with the Spirit to intentionally surface and address sin issues. I agree that self-examination is rarely as effective as communal examination.

Accountability:

I will help hold others accountable to grow spiritually according to the goals they have set.

Multiplication:

In light of the wider scope of the Kingdom of God I acknowledge the purpose of this group is to help me grow so that I can show the grace God has given me to others. Three important group dynamics result from this:

Reach:

The group stays open to reach out to new people as long as they commit to the covenant.

Group Birthing:

As the group grows, it may be required to change by "birthing" other groups in order to help others grow in their walk with Christ.

Apprentice Leader:

We will strive to identify and develop apprentice leaders with the goal of multiplying our group.

Transforming the community:

I will serve with my group, working to help meet the needs of the community in which we live.