

## *Purpose*

To provide a predictable environment where participants pursue healthy relationships and spiritual growth.

## *Values and Goals*

### **Relationships**

While prayer and discussion of curriculum are key elements, the driving force behind the group is the building of relationships.

### **Authenticity**

The atmosphere should encourage openness and transparency among members. This is an environment where people should feel free to be themselves.

### **Confidentiality**

For authenticity to occur, members must be able to trust that issues discussed within the group will not be shared outside the group.

### **Respect**

Group members should never say anything that will embarrass their spouses or other members of the group.

### **Availability**

A primary responsibility of the group is to prioritize for specific relationships. This requires a willingness to be available to meet one another's needs.

### **Multiplication**

Group members recognize that one of the goals of their group is to start a new group within the life cycle of the group. This allows others to experience the Community Group relationship.

## Group Guidelines

1. The group will meet from \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/yyyy) through \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/yyyy).
2. The group will meet on \_\_\_\_\_. (day of week)
3. The group sessions will begin at \_\_\_\_\_ and end at \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The group time will typically consist of \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of sharing, \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of study/discussion, and \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of prayer.
5. This group will be a closed group unless all members agree to add members.
6. Group members will attend and participate on a regular basis.
7. Members agree to pray for other group members on a weekly basis.

***I commit together with the other members of this group to honor this agreement.***

Group Leader(s): \_\_\_\_\_

(Sign + print)

Group Members: \_\_\_\_\_

(Sign only)

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