



Small Group Agreement

This is an agreement made to each other in the presence of God. Its purpose is to indicate our intention to make ourselves available to one another for the fulfillment of the purposes we share in common.

In a spirit of prayer, work your way through the following sentences, trying to reach an agreement on each statement pertaining to your ongoing life together.

After everyone has signed your agreement, give a copy to each group member.

1. Our Group Leader is _____.
2. We will meet from _____ to _____ on _____ (day,) and we will strive to start and end on time.
3. The purpose of our group will be to support and encourage each other.
4. We will incorporate a harmony of connecting with God and each other, growing in our faith and impacting our world, and determine together the approximate amount of emphasis for each that best fits our group.

We agree to the following ground rules for our group (check all that apply)

- ☐ **Priority:** While we are in the group, we will give the group meetings priority.
- ☐ **Participation:** We invite and encourage all to participate, but will not require anyone to talk.
- ☐ **Confidentiality:** What is said in the group will stay in the group, unless an illegal situation or an intent to do harm is revealed. In this case, the information will be handled responsibly.
- ☐ **Respect:** Only one person will talk at a time. There is no such thing as a dumb question. Everyone has a right to their own opinion, and we will respect everyone's opinion. No put downs.
- ☐ **Support:** Permission is given to call upon each other in time of need.
- ☐ **Accountability:** We agree to let the members of the group hold us accountable to the commitments which each of us make in whatever loving ways we decide upon.
- ☐ **Time:** We will be respectful of everyone's time (starting and ending on time).
- ☐ **Other:**

Signatures: