

Word of Life Church Small Group DNA

- 1. Friendship: our groups are relationally-driven
- 2. Structure: our groups are well-organized
- 3. Variety: our groups are intentionally different in style and focus
- 4. Leadership: our groups are led by competent leaders
- 5. Confidentiality: our groups are safe places
- 6. Joy: our groups are marked by an attitude of happiness
- 7. Outside-in: our groups create open doors for others to enter
- 8. Hospitality: our groups have a welcoming atmosphere of acceptance
- 9. Low-pressure: our groups let people be who they are
- 10. Christ-centered: our groups exist to form Christ within us

Small Group Ground Rules

- 1. Confidentiality: What is said in our group stays in our group
- 2. Focus: Leave your agendas at the door and stick with the subject at hand
- 3. Positivity: Use encouraging words that builds up others
- 4. Respect: Value the questions, opinions, and privacy of others
- 5. Unity: Work to protect the unity of our group and our church
- 6. Empty chair: Invite new people to the group

Word of Life Church Small Group Leader Covenant

- 1. I will hold fast to a confession of faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed.
- 2. I will live a lifestyle demonstrating my growing faith and commitment to follow Jesus Christ.
- 3. I will remain committed to the Great Commandment and the Great Commission.
- 4. I will continue to uphold the vision, mission, values, and core doctrines of Word of Life Church.
- 5. I will work to embody the Small Group DNA of Word of Life Church.
- 6. I will both support and submit to the pastoral leadership team of Word of Life Church in all matters related to my small group, including curriculum.
- 7. I will commit to be an on-going learner in the subject matter of my small group.
- 8. I will participate in ongoing leadership training and coaching.
- 9. I will allow my Small Group Ministry Coach to guide, encourage, and correct me.
- 10. I will seek to develop a co-leader and support them in the launch of a new small group.

Name: _____

Date: _____