

# LIFE GROUP MEMBER COVENANT

## OUR GOAL IS COMMUNITY

We will grow together in practical ways to **love Jesus** and *abide in God's presence*, **be transformed** by the renewing power of the Holy Spirit, and **declare hope** in Christ to all people.

## OUR MISSION IS LOVE

We are devoted to **fellowship** and Christian teaching in community (Acts 2:42-47), **service** and hospitality for our neighbors (Romans 12:10-13), and deep **love** for one another (1 Peter 4:8).

Start Date:	End Date:	Start Time:	End Time:	Take Home Work?
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### 1. WE COMMIT TO CONFIDENTIALITY

We commit to honesty and transparency. With that comes a relationship of trust and respect. Anything of a personal nature that is shared in Life Group is never to be repeated outside of the group.

### 2. WE COMMIT TO SERVICE

We will plan practical ways to serve like Jesus and represent him in our community. We will seek ways to serve at Spry Church to further the mission and ministries of this body.

### 3. WE WILL MAKE OUR GROUP A PRIORITY

While we are in the Life Group, we will make the group a priority and if we are unable to attend or are running late, we will call ahead to notify the host and/or leader.

### 4. WE WILL PARTICIPATE FULLY AND FAIRLY

We will provide time for each person to share. We will talk about ourselves and our own situations, avoiding conversations about other people. We will use "I" statements when explaining our issues rather than placing blame upon others.

### 5. WE WILL LISTEN ATTENTIVELY TO ONE ANOTHER

We will actively engage in learning through listening and sharing. We will not speak when someone else is speaking, rather, we will honor the person who is sharing and practice active listening (not listening only to respond, but listening to understand and empathize).

### 6. WE WILL KEEP AN OPEN CHAIR

We commit to being invitational as a Life Group, warmly including newcomers, and seeking to grow and multiply by reaching out to others in our community, especially those who do not yet know Christ.

### 7. WE WILL SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER

As members of this Life Group, we will continually support, encourage, and pray for one another, seeking to build one another up in love.

### 8. WE WILL STAY FOCUSED ON JESUS

We will avoid gossip, immediately resolve conflicts, and always be respectful of differing opinions when discussing sensitive topics, such as politics. Group leaders reserve the right to redirect conversations to keep the focus on Christ.

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