

| ANCHOR GROUPS |

FAQ SHEET

I want to be a Group Leader. What do I do next?

We are excited about your interest as Group Leader. All you need is to be a member of Anchor Church with the ability to gather 2 or more people, provide a safe place to meet together, and bring a spiritual element to your group (prayer, study, share a scripture and discuss, sermon notes, etc.). Please fill out an application and hand it to your coach. Get their number if you have any more questions, and they will contact you shortly to discuss next steps!

I want to be a Co-Leader. What do I do next?

The Co Leader role is an exciting role in Anchor Groups. These emerging leaders have a heart to lead their own group, but want to be trained alongside a Group Leader for a season to catch the culture and be equipped. Fill out an application and mark Co-Leader. We will contact you shortly to discuss your next steps!

I was a Co-Leader in the past, but it was a support role. I wasn't the Group Leader. What do I do?

Thank you for serving and supporting our Group Leaders. They couldn't have made it this far without you!

Because we are moving into a shared leadership model, the Co Leader definition has shifted into a way we can equip emerging Group Leaders to do the work of the ministry. We'd love for you to join our Group Leader Team- so if you are ready to take that next step- fill out an Group Leader application!

If you do not wish to lead your own group, we'd love for you to stay as a Group Member and help carry the group alongside your Group Leader in our new shared leadership model.

You can host, meal plan, or even lead prayer or discussion from time to time. If this is you, contact your Group Leader and ask them how you can use your gifting and help share the load!

I want to Host a group. What do I do next?

Hosts are a huge role at Anchor Groups in our shared leadership model. We'd love for you to use your gift of hospitality to serve the Kingdom of God.

Connect with your current Group Leader and see if there is a need. If not, or if you aren't currently in a group, connect with a Coach, give them your contact info, and if we have a Group Leader who needs a host we can connect you!

What kind of group can I have?

Anchor Groups have a system called Free Market Groups. That means you can have any type of group you'd like to have, as long as there is a core group of "you & 2", you provide a safe place for community, and there is a spiritual element. (prayer, study, scripture, etc.)

Let's get creative! These groups can be Home Groups, Men's/Women's Groups, Neighborhood Groups, you can meet with co-workers, or even people on your sports teams! These groups can be whatever you'd like as long as you are connected to your coaching oversight and the group encourages authentic, life on life, gospel-centered community.

What's the time commitment?

Anchor Groups meet for 16-week semesters with a 4-week break in between. Summer sessions are 8 weeks. Each group leader commits to lead for at least one semester at a time.

Do I need to be an expert at theology?

You don't need to be an expert of the bible to be a group leader. As a group leader, you will have an understanding of the gospel because you've been transformed by it. You can start there, and as you commit to personal growth by reading the bible, your knowledge and understanding will begin to grow..

I need training as a Group Leader. How do I get this and who will support me along the way?

The best training is on the job training with a Coach to help guide you. You will have the support of your coach by weekly phone calls and monthly meetings where you'll brainstorm with other group leaders. We will provide resources to better equip you to serve your group along the way! Group Leader Orientation will be key in giving you the practical steps on how to lead a group.

As far as help within your group, the shared leadership model will make your load lighter and help raise up leaders along the way. (hosting, meal plans, communication, prayer, teaching)

What curriculum do we use? What do we talk about in our group to make it gospel-centered?

There are many things you can talk about to keep your group centered around the gospel. Anchor will provide a few curriculum resources periodically, but easy discussion can be about the sermon, a scripture, or even asking a question about something in the bible. You can go through a book of the bible together, or you can do a specific study. If you'd like to do a specific study, please contact your coach to make sure it is an approved curriculum.

How do I get people to come to my group?

To launch an Anchor Group, you will need at least 2 other members to participate. Anchor Church provides a few ways to help you get people in your group. We have Group Launch Sundays, we have a website with all our groups listed, and we have Growth Track Step 2 which provides people a way to sign up. The best way to bring people in your group is by relationships! You can find people by building relationships with people in and outside of the church, your workplace, your neighborhood, and more. Tell people about your group and invite them in! If you don't have 2 people, start with one person and build it from there! Once you have "you & 2" , email amanda.alwrence@myanchorchurch.com and we will help you take that next step to launch an Anchor Group!

Where can I meet with my groups?

Groups can meet anywhere that is a safe place for authentic, life on life, gospel-centered community to happen. Examples: In a home, a coffee shop, a restaurant, in a park, at your workplace, etc.

I haven't gone through Growth Track. How do I get signed up?

Growth Track will be available to 1st Sunday in August for anyone who has not yet completed it. this is where you can hear all about Anchor Church, become a member, and more! Please sign up at: myanchorchurch.com/growthtrack.

I am not on the Dream Team. How do I get signed up?

Group Leaders are asked to serve once a month on our Dream Team. Serving is a huge part of Anchor Church and we want you to join us! Go check out all the incredible serving opportunities we have and sign up at: myanchorchurch.com/dreamteamform.