

# | ANCHOR GROUPS |

## GROUP LEADER INFO SHEET

**Thinking about becoming an Anchor Group Leader? Great! We've got everything you need to take your next step.**

### OUR SCHEDULE

Anchor Groups meet for 16-week semesters with a 4-week break in between. The Fall Semester will begin on our Groups Launch Day, **Sunday, Aug 26th and end the week of Dec 9th.**

### OUR LEADERSHIP ROLES

**Group Leader.** Group Leaders are responsible for the health and oversight of their group. Group Leaders have the oversight of a Coach. Coaches support leaders by protecting the health of the group leader and the group. **Group Leaders carry the culture of Anchor Church.**

**Co-Leader.** Co-Leaders want to take that next step towards Group Leadership. **The intent of this role is not to stay in a group, but to launch a group.** They will spend a season catching culture and supporting a Group Leader as they get equipped to lead a group of their own.

### OUR MISSION

**Authentic, life on life, gospel-centered community.**

In the book of Acts, you'll see how the first church set the example of what this looks like:

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals, and to prayer. A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need. They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved. **ACTS 2:42-47**

It wasn't perfect- it was messy because community is a bunch of messy people- but it was **authentic**, it was **life on life**, and it was centered around the **gospel** (the good news) of Jesus.

### OUR MODEL

**"You and two" make a group.** What kind of group? This is where you can get creative!

You can start a group in your home with 2 or more other families or at your job with a few co-workers. It can be a neighborhood group, a men's group, a women's group, or it can be **ANY** type of group that brings people together for the purpose of **authentic, life on life, gospel-centered community.**

### OUR OVERSIGHT STRUCTURE

**You weren't meant to do leadership alone.** You'll have a Coach supporting you along the way!

**Your Coach is your lifeline.** **Each week** you will have a touchpoint with your Coach to discuss the wins, needs, and any training opportunities you may have. **Each month** you will meet face to face with your Coach and/or other Group Leaders to encourage each other, share wins, and roundtable how to better serve & lead your groups.

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## OUR CULTURE

### | WE LOVE PEOPLE |

Group Leaders **love people well**. We meet with our groups regularly, provide a **safe place** for genuine community, promote unity, give encouragement, bring a spiritual element to group gatherings, and walk with our group members in day to day life. (prayer, counsel, hospital visits, meals) (John 13:34)

### | WE BRING PEOPLE IN |

At Anchor Church, you'll hear the story of the prodigal son frequently referenced. We want our Group Leaders to be like the father on the front porch, welcoming his son home. We welcome people. We greet new faces. We ask people if they are in a group. We invite them! We BRING PEOPLE IN, because **when people are brought in, they will be bought in** to what God has for their lives. (Matt 25:35)

### | WE CREATE CONTRIBUTORS |

**Groups are marked by servant leadership**. As a leader, we commit to not only serving your Small Group, but also serving on the Dream Team at least once a month. As we encourage our group members to serve on the Dream Team, we will lead by example and **practice what we preach**. (Mark 10:45)

**Groups are marked by shared leadership**. Group leaders give others the opportunity to build the kingdom of God through shared leadership. We can't carry the weight alone, so we empower others to use their gifts and serve through hosting, meal preparation, conversations, and creating a welcoming atmosphere. This cultivates leadership and moves people from **consumer to contributor**. (Exodus 18)

### | WE EMPOWER PEOPLE TO TAKE THEIR NEXT STEP |

As group leaders, we are constantly identifying where people are, calling out the gold in their lives, and **helping them take that next step towards Jesus**. (salvation, water baptism, Growth Track, growing spiritually, serving on Dream Team, becoming a Group Leader, etc) (Ephesians 4:14-15)

### | WE COMMIT TO PRAYER & PERSONAL GROWTH |

**Prayer** is vital in our groups. Not only do we pray during our meetings together, but a group leader commits to prayer for their group members. (Gal. 6:2) **Personal Growth** is equally important. Our groups will only be as healthy as we are, so we stay committed to growing spiritually. We commit to exemplify the qualities of a mature believer as we continue to grow into the image of Christ. (Romans 12:1-2)

### | WE MAKE DISCIPLES |

A disciple is a follower of Jesus. When people are in authentic, life on life, gospel-centered community, they are being disciplined, and **disciples make more disciples**. (The Great Commission, Matt. 28:19-20)

**THIS IS THE WHY AND THE WIN OF ANCHOR GROUPS.**

## YOUR NEXT STEP

God is with you, and we will support & equip you along the way...so grab an application, connect with a coach, and let's reach people with authentic, life on life, gospel-centered community.

**Next Meeting: Tues. Aug 7th @ 6:30pm**, Group Leadership Orientation

**Have more questions?** Email [amanda.lawrence@myanchorchurch.com](mailto:amanda.lawrence@myanchorchurch.com) or visit [myanchorchurch.com/groups](http://myanchorchurch.com/groups).

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