

Sample Small Group Covenant

1. The purpose of our group is . . .
2. We will meet for _____ weeks, after which we will evaluate our direction.
3. We will meet from _____ to _____, and we will strive to start and end on time.
4. We will meet at _____ (place).
5. The “mission” component of our group will be . . .
6. The “Christian education” component of our group will be . . .
7. We will agree to the following primary values for our group:

Priority: While we are in the group, we will give the group meetings priority, and if we are unable to attend or are running late, we will call ahead.

Participation: Everyone is given the right to their own opinion, and “dumb questions” are encouraged and respected.

Confidentiality: Anything of a personal nature that is said in the meeting is never repeated outside the meeting.

Open chair: The group stays open to new people as long as they understand the ground rules. The guidelines for filling the open chair in our group will be . . .

Group birthing: After the approximate time, this group will help start or birth other groups (after approximately 24 meetings or one year).

Apprentice leader(s): We will strive to identify and develop the apprentices in our group.

(Signed by group members, leader and apprentice(s))