

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF NAPERVILLE
COMMUNITY GROUP COVENANT

The logistics of our group:

Our group will meet this often: _____

On this day(s): _____

At this location: _____

At this time (we will start and end on time): _____

For those with childcare needs we agree to: _____

Concerning refreshments, we agree to: _____

We agree to the following disciplines as a group:

Attendance: To give priority to the group meeting (call when absent or late).

Safety: To help create a safe place where people can be heard (no quick answers or judgments).

Confidentiality: To keep anything that is shared strictly confidential.

Accountability: To give permission to group members to hold you accountable to goals *you* set for *yourself*.

Assimilation: To keep the doors open to others in our church (unconnected and unchurched people).

Rotation: To rotate meeting leadership over time.

Responsibility: To share in the roles and responsibilities that is agreed upon for the group.

We agree to pursue the 5 Purposes for our group:

1. CONNECTING with God's family: creating an environment characterized by authenticity and transparency so that group members enter into relationships where they are known, loved, accepted, and challenged.

We will pursue CONNECTING in the following ways:

2. GROWING to be like Christ: growing in mutual accountability, in mutual submission and in the application of scriptural truth, so that group members become more like Jesus in attitude and behavior.

We will pursue GROWING in the following ways:

3. DEVELOPING our spiritual gifts: encouraging the mutual discovery and application of talents and gifts so that group members embrace and serve people in and beyond their small group.

We will pursue DEVELOPING in the following ways:

4. SHARING our life mission: building a community with a kingdom perspective so that the group and each small group member actively pursue relationships with lost people.

We will pursue SHARING in the following ways:

5. SURRENDERING our lives for God's pleasure: supporting one another in prayer and worshiping together so that group members glorify and honor God through their lives.

We will pursue SURRENDERING in the following ways:

The expectations of group members:

To accomplish these 5 Purposes, there are attitudes and behaviors that we commit to as individuals:

To the best of my ability, I personally commit to the logistics, goals, purposes, and expectations of the group.

SIGNATURE
