

# NEW HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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## Community Group Covenant

### Purpose

To provide a predictable environment where participants experience authentic community and spiritual growth.

### Values & Goals

*Relationships* - While prayer and discussion of curriculum are key elements of community group, the driving force behind the group is the building of relationships.

*Authenticity* - The atmosphere of a Community Group should encourage openness and transparency among members. This is an environment where people should feel free to be themselves.

*Confidentiality* - For authenticity to occur, members must be able to trust that issues discussed with a Community Group are not shared outside of the group.

*Respect* - Group members should never say anything that will embarrass their spouse or members of the group.

*Availability* - A primary responsibility of community is to prioritize for specific relationships. This requires a willingness to be available to meet each others needs.

*Multiplication* - Group members recognize that one of the goals of their group is to start a new group within 18-24 months. This allows others to experience the Community Group relationship.

### Group Guidelines

1. The group will meet from \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The group will meet on \_\_\_\_\_ night.
3. The group sessions will begin at \_\_\_\_\_ and end at \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The group will typically consist of \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of sharing, \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of study/discussion, and \_\_\_\_\_ minutes of prayer.
5. The group will be a closed group until all members agree to additional members.
6. Group members will attend and participate on a regular basis. Members agree to pray for other group members on a weekly basis.

I covenant together with the other members of this group to honor this agreement.

Group Leader(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Group Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
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