



Leader FAQs

What is a Virtual Group?

Social virtual groups are groups that meet up online. These groups generally meet weekly on platforms such as: FaceTime, Zoom video calls, Facebook Messenger Video Calls, and even conference calls. As long as people are staying connected, smiling, laughing, and having fun – it's a win!

How long is the commitment for leading a Life Group?

Leading a Life Group is twelve-week commitment. After each semester ends, it's up to you and your group to decide whether you will continue meeting at the start of the next semester.

What does a Life Group look like?

We use a free-market approach to Life Groups. This means we want people to gather together based on the things they enjoy and are important to them. Essentially, the things you are already doing in your life are the things that can make up your Life Group! Free market leaders form their groups around their gifts and interests.

From sports groups to lunch groups, bible study groups to creative arts groups, our groups are as varied as we are. All groups fall within one of these categories:

- Men
- Women
- Bible or Book Study
- Prayer
- Outreach
- Marriage & Family
- Young Adults
- Interest

Why are there semesters?

This allows group leaders and participants to have built-in breaks throughout the year. We believe there is value in cyclical beginnings and endings to Life Group experiences.

What if no one signs up for my group?

The Life Group Directory should be used as a secondary tool for adding people to your group. Inviting people that you know personally and people that you meet is the number one way to add people to your group. Don't wait for them to come to you, go to them!

What if my group wants to keep meeting, but I want to step out of leading the group?

Whether you continue leading your group or not, you should always have someone in your group that you are raising up to be a future leader. You can encourage the person you have raised up, to apply to lead the group next semester, or if no one steps up to lead the group, your group members can sign up for different groups at the beginning of the next semester.

Do I have to provide snacks at every meeting?

Having snacks and drinks available during a Life Group meeting can change the whole mood of the group and help put people at ease. If you don't want to provide snacks and drinks for every meeting, create a sign-up sheet and delegate some of the responsibility to other people in the group and let people take turns.

What should I do if someone asks a question I can't answer?

It's okay to not have all the answers. Thankfully, we can find guidance through prayer, God's Word, and the Holy Spirit. Encourage them to spend time reading the Bible and praying. Also, let them know that you will do your best to get some information and get back with them at your next Life Group meeting. Do some personal research and call your coach to get advice.

What should I do if someone in my group shares something with me (or the group) that requires attention beyond what I (or we) can provide?

If you encounter a difficult situation within your Life Group, please know that you are not alone. If a member is going through a crisis, you can rally the group around them to provide prayer, encouragement, and support. Use wisdom and be sensitive to the situation. If you are unsure of what to do, don't hesitate to ask your coach. If you need immediate attention, call 911. To get ahold of a pastor call the church 972-532-1798

How can I share stories of life change from the Small Group semester?

We love hearing about lives that are changed through Life Groups. You can share your stories with your coach, or email us at groups@lifefellowship.tv

Can my group keep meeting after the semester ends?

It's healthy to take a break from the traditional Life Group setting. However, this doesn't mean you have to cut off relationship with your group members. Be sure to keep up with them and be available for them when you can. This is a great time to plan a fun group activity or an outreach event where you all serve together. We just ask that you recognize that not everyone will want to meet between semesters, and that's okay!

What are some options for Life Groups childcare?

- Have each family in the group be responsible for their own babysitter.
- Pool your money together and hire a babysitter who can watch the children in another room.
- Keep all the kids at another member's house with a babysitter.
- Have parents rotate watching kids in another room.

Do we have to meet at a house?

We believe that the best atmosphere for a Life Group is in a home, however, we understand that sometimes that is not an option. Other options for meeting places could include coffee shops, cafés, outdoor locations, etc.

Can I use the curriculum of my choice?

Each Life Group leader is able to choose a curriculum of their liking. We simply ask that you discuss your choice with your coach or life group pastor for final approval.

We also have a library full of studies to choose from in one of our favorite tools, RightNow Media. RightNow Media is similar to Netflix, but for Bible series. If you already have a login, great! If you don't, we've got you covered. [Click Here](#) to set-up a free account. Simply follow the instructions to create your login and gain access.

Feel free to browse all that RightNow Media has to offer and pick a study that you and your group would like to do.

You are also welcomed to use the provided discussion guide, that is based on the Sunday messages. These can be found online each week at: www.lifefellowship/notes

How can I share stories of life change from the Life Group semester?

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You can also share your own personal stories through social media and tag #LFgroups

Other Questions?

Connect regularly with your coach as other questions arise throughout the semester.

What types of groups are there?

We offer Married Couples Groups, Men's Groups, Women's Groups, Bible Study, Prayer, Freedom, Student and Young Adult Groups. Within each of those, the groups are further broken down by location, meeting day and time, curriculum or interest-based (i.e. running, sewing, etc).