



LIFE GROUP MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT EAST BAY CALVARY CHURCH

WHAT IS A LIFE GROUP? A Life Group is made up of 6-14 individuals and/or couples who desire to grow deeper in their walk with Christ and connect relationally with other Christ-followers through Bible Study, Prayer, Fellowship, Service and Outreach. They may be created around a geographical area, a shared interest, or a life stage. Some are sermon-based, others are Bible-themed studies around a shared interest by the group. The group may be short-term or long-term built around an agreed upon covenant developed by the group.

TRAINING FOR LIFE GROUP LEADERS, APPRENTICES AND HOSTS happen on a quarterly basis, usually on a Saturday morning from 8:00-11:00 with a light continental breakfast.

LIFE GROUP LEADERS are those who facilitate the group discussion and interaction around that week's sermon, a Bible book, Bible-themed study or discussion of a Christian book addressing issues around which the group finds a shared interest. The Leader does not prepare a lecture for the evening but facilitates discussion and the sharing of thoughts from the group. Life Group Leaders are members of East Bay and agree with EBCC's Statement of Faith, Core Values, Mission, Vision and Philosophy of Ministry.

LIFE GROUP APPRENTICES are those who partner with the designated leader to learn from them how to prepare and periodically lead the group skillfully and effectively. They are active members of the group, attend EBCC regularly and agree with EBCC's Statement of Faith, Core Values, Mission, Vision and Philosophy of Ministry.

LIFE GROUP HOSTS are those who open their homes for Life Groups to meet. Life Group hosts are regular attendees of EBCC and agree with EBCC's Statement of Faith, Core Values, Mission, Vision and Philosophy of Ministry. Life group members bring snacks on a rotating basis. When meeting at EBCC, Life Group Hosts assist the Leader in scheduling the Life Group time and location with the church office and in the rotation of bringing snacks and beverages.

KINDS OF LIFE GROUPS (Check off the kind of life group you would like lead or to participate in)

Men's Life Group _____

Women's Life Group _____

Life-Stage Life Group _____

(i.e.. Young marrieds,
Parents with kids/students
Empty-nesters, Retirees)

Recovery Life Groups _____

(hurts, habits & hangups)

Geographical Life Group _____

Sermon-based Life Group _____

Affinity Life Group _____

(ie. RVing/camping, walking/hiking
Prayer, cycling/motorcycling
golfing/hunting & fishing, sewing/knitting)

Focused Life Groups _____

(Grief Share, Divorce Care)

MY PARTICIPATION

_____ *I would like to serve as a Life Group Leader...Type of Group I would like to lead*

_____ *I would like to serve as a Life Group Apprentice...Type of Group I prefer to participate in*

_____ *I would like to serve as a Life Group Host/Hostess...Type of Group I prefer to participate in*

_____ *I look forward to attending the LIFE GROUP TRAINING OPPORTUNITY WITH PASTOR JOHN ON AUGUST 12 FROM 8-11:00 AM WITH A CONTENENTAL BREAKFAST*

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

**PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE
OR EMAIL TO JSTRUBHAR@EASTBAYCALVARY.ORG NO LATER
THAN AUGUST 6, 2023.**