

# SMALL GROUPS

SMALL GROUP LEADER  
APPLICATION



## **SMALLER IS BETTER**

How often do you hear that? In a big church, it's easy to put on a smile, say the right things, and when the last song has finished, bolt out the door and return to your normal, everyday life. But, following Christ is so much more than smiles and small talk. The Gospel has the power to change the world, and that change is accomplished through the lives of individual people, following Christ one day at a time.

Jesus often spoke about the value of friendship and community. Even as God in the flesh, Christ needed companions. We all do. That's where Small Groups come into the picture. A Small Group is, well, just that — a small group of usually 8-12 people. They are committed to study the Bible together, share each other's burdens and joys, pray for one another and generally live life together. (Okay, so they don't live in the same house or anything like that... unless you really want to.)

What will it look like when you show up at a Small Group? For starters, you'll be meeting in someone's home. There will more than likely be good food and a generally relaxed atmosphere. At each of our different locations, Small Groups focus on different topics throughout the course of the year. But, the heart of Small Groups is always the Bible. You'll talk about what God is teaching you through His Word, learn from others about what God is doing in their lives, and usually you'll spend some praying with one another and fellowshiping. Then, there is more food.

## **INTERESTED IN LEADING A SMALL GROUP?**

We need lots of Small Groups to accommodate our ever-growing church – which means, we need more leaders. If you think you'd be interested in leading a Small Group at The Rock, this packet will help you understand what it will take. Please read the information enclosed and make sure to complete all of the necessary requirements before turning in your completed Small Group Leader Application form to the Connections Booth at church (or scan and email to [bryan@trc.life](mailto:bryan@trc.life)).

## **SMALL GROUP LEADER HONOR CODE**

As an essential part of The Rock Church Leadership Family, you have a responsibility to develop and exhibit mature Christian behavior. This should be the basic premise of your desire to work in a Servant/Leader position here at The Rock Church. While serving the Body of Christ as a Small Group Leader at The Rock, you pledge to strive to demonstrate Biblical standards in all situations.

As Christians, the way we present ourselves to others is of vital importance to the way others perceive Christ. Our conduct should never be an embarrassment to Christ, but should exemplify the best qualities of a mature believer and Servant/Leader.

Exemplifying the highest moral commitment, The Rock Church Small Group Leaders are to maintain a disciplined life of Bible reading, prayer and service to Christ. You must also refrain from all behaviors that might grieve Christ and cause others to stumble.

By providing an example in speech and action, we encourage others to grow in Christ and become Servant/Leaders themselves. This is a way of life measured by the heart and commitment of each leader in The Rock Church family. We should regard it as an essential part of our development, not as an imposition or restriction.

# THE ROCK CHURCH

## SMALL GROUP LEADER APPLICATION

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: single engaged married divorced widowed  
Spouses Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Years married: \_\_\_\_\_  
Children's Names (& ages): \_\_\_\_\_

### CHURCH HISTORY:

How long have you attended The Rock?: \_\_\_\_\_  
Previous church: \_\_\_\_\_ Years attended? \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you a born again Christian?: Yes (For how many years? \_\_\_\_\_) No Don't know

### SMALL GROUP SPECIFIC INFORMATION:

Title or subject matter of your proposed small group: \_\_\_\_\_  
Probable meeting day and time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Probable meeting location: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE BRIEFLY ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

1. Who (what type of people / target group) will you be attracting to your group?
2. Describe the activities and format that will be involved with this group:
3. Briefly explain WHY you would like to be a Small Group leader:

## LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT

I desire to become, and believe that I meet the qualifications for, serving as a Small Group Leader at The Rock Church. I have read and agree to the following (please write your initials beside each statement):

- \_\_\_\_\_ ...to agree with and sign the Rock's Membership Covenant (attached)
- \_\_\_\_\_ ...to agree with and uphold all the tenants stated in The Rock Church Statements (attached)
- \_\_\_\_\_ ...to attend or watch all 12 Base Camp video messages (or with approval, at least #12- Membership)  
(See [www.experiencetherock.com](http://www.experiencetherock.com) > Messages > Special > Basecamp)
- \_\_\_\_\_ ...to faithfully attend Small Group coaching & Core leadership meetings as scheduled
- \_\_\_\_\_ ...be willing to subject myself to a Background Check including fingerprints. (see attached)
- \_\_\_\_\_ ...to regularly communicate with a Small Group Coach (Pastor/Deacon)

By signing below, I certify that the information contained in this application is complete, accurate, and not misleading in anyway. I authorize The Rock Church to obtain information regarding my character and fitness for Small Group leadership. Should my application be accepted, I agree to submit to the policies and procedures of The Rock Church Small Group Ministries, and to refrain from unscriptural conduct in the performance of my services on behalf of The Rock Church. The Rock Church retains the right to deny or revoke leadership privileges from anyone who fail to uphold the commitments made on this document.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Once completed, turn this application into The Connections Booth (drop off at church on Sunday) or scan and email to [bryan@trc.life](mailto:bryan@trc.life). We will consider your application for approval and will let you know within one week of our decision. If you have any questions, please call Pastor Bryan at 801-680-0210.

**THANK YOU!**