

**LSC Small Groups Mission:**

To foster authentic communities that cultivate spiritual growth and purposeful living.

*Foster = nurture*

*Authentic communities = open, welcoming, weekly gathering*

*Cultivate = support and empower*

*Spiritual growth = becoming more like Jesus*

*Purposeful living = expanding the Kingdom of God*

**LSC Small Groups Vision:**

To see the expansion of the Kingdom of God through authentic communities that cultivate spiritual growth and purposeful living.

**LSC Small Groups Characteristics:**

Open, weekly, scheduled, quarterly groups of 3 – 12 people

*Open = available for new members to join*

*Weekly = happening at least once a week*

*Scheduled = operating by a plan*

**LSC Small Groups Requirements:**

1. Must have leadership.
  - a. Leadership consists of a **host** and a **facilitator**
    - i. A **host** commits to provide the physical space and set the atmosphere for the small group to meet for the duration of the quarter
    - ii. A **facilitator** commits to provide the weekly direction and guidance of the small group conversation
      1. Hosts and facilitator can be the same person.
      2. Co-hosts and/or co-facilitators are optional.
2. Must have an approved plan.
  - a. Small group name, location, start date, end date, day of the week you meet, start time, end time, mission, vision, method(s).
3. Must have a spiritual growth component
  - a. Examples included but are not limited to: Bible study, weekly sermon discussion, book study, prayer, worship, outreach, acts of service, etc.
4. Must use Planning Center Groups to advertise, record attendance and communicate.

**LSC Small Group Leader Requirements:**

1. Must be 18 or older.
2. Must be born-again and be an active member of Life Source Church.
3. Must exemplify and cultivate godly character and relationships in person and online



4. Must agree to the [mission, vision and doctrine](#) of Life Source Church.
5. Must agree to the mission, vision, characteristics and requirements of Life Source Small Groups.
6. Must attend the semi-quarterly Life Source Small Group Leader Training Meeting.
7. Must be qualified according to the principles found in 1 Timothy 3:1-13.
  - a. Be faithful.
  - b. Must not be convicted or suspect of any current or unresolved crime (civil or criminal)
  - c. If married, must be in a monogamous relationship.
  - d. Must be clear minded and free from any life-controlling addictions.
  - e. Must be self-controlled.
  - f. Must be tasteful and appropriate.
  - g. Must be given to hospitality, loving strangers and kind toward people.
  - h. Must be knowledgeable and able to effectively communicate in word and lifestyle.
  - i. Must not be addicted to mind-altering substances (legal or illegal).
  - j. Must not be combative or quick to argue, quarrel or fight.
  - k. Must not be greedy.

