

# Model Small Group

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## Model Small Group - Purpose

The Model Small Group will serve as a practical learning environment to prepare potential and actual leadership for small group ministry.

1. The Model Small Group is temporary.
2. The group is based on practical learning while doing.
3. The group is to develop leaders for small groups.

## Model Small Group - Desired Outcomes

1. Experience authentic community in a small group.
2. Learn the essentials for healthy small groups.
3. Learn skills to effectively lead a balanced small group.
4. Have practical experience in leading a small group.
5. Understand the churches shared philosophy and values for small groups.

## Model Small Group - Details

1. It will begin after an explanatory meeting (setsumeikai).
2. The Model Small Group will ideally run for 6 months (or longer).
3. The Model Small Group will meet ideally once a month for 1:30-2:00 hrs.
4. The optimum size will be 6-10 people including leaders.

## Expectations of all Participants

1. Have an open heart to share and an open mind to learn.
2. Attend each monthly session of the small group.
3. Complete monthly assignments.
4. Do practical ministry to include leading the small group at least once.

## Expectations of the Pastor and Key Leaders

1. The pastor and key leaders will attend all group sessions.
2. The pastor and key leaders will serve as coaches for the other Model Small Group participants.

## STUDY TOPICS

The Model Small Group will spend several sessions/months on each of the following topics:

1. Fellowship and Christian community
2. Intercessory prayer
3. Discipleship and Biblical instruction
4. Care ministry and service
5. Evangelism and outreach
6. Personal and corporate worship

## SMALL GROUP ACTIVITIES

1. Icebreaker
2. Participative Bible Study
3. Group Sharing
4. Prayer
5. Group tasks