



CONNECT GROUP LEADERS TRAINING

The greatest leader, is the greatest servant.



Session 1: “It’s about HEART”

“LEADERS DON’T CREATE
FOLLOWERS, THEY CREATE OTHER
LEADERS.”

Tom Peters



- Matthew 9:35-38 (NLT)

Jesus travelled through all the towns and villages of that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. He said to his disciples, “The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields.”



- 1 John 2:12-14 (NLT)

I am writing to you who are God's children because your sins have been forgiven through Jesus. I am writing to you who are mature in the faith because you know Christ, who existed from the beginning. I am writing to you who are young in the faith because you have won your battle with the evil one. I have written to you who are God's children because you know the Father. I have written to you who are mature in the faith because you know Christ, who existed from the beginning. I have written to you who are young in the faith because you are strong. God's word lives in your hearts, and you have won your battle with the evil one.



- 1 Peter 5:2-4 (NLT)

Care for the flock that God has entrusted to you. Watch over it willingly, not grudgingly—not for what you will get out of it, but because you are eager to serve God. Don't lord it over the people assigned to your care, but lead them by your own good example. And when the Great Shepherd appears, you will receive a crown of never-ending glory and honour.

- Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters,...

Session 2: "Some how do we do's"

- Who qualifies as a leader?

- Timothy 3:1-7 NLT

This is a trustworthy saying: "If someone aspires to be a church leader, he desires an honorable position." So a church leader must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife. He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation. He must enjoy having guests in his home, and he must be able to teach. He must not be a heavy drinker or be violent. He must be gentle, not quarrelsome, and not love money. He must manage his own family well, having children who respect and obey him. For if a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God's church? A church leader must not be a new believer, because he might become proud, and the devil would cause him to fall. Also, people outside the church must speak well of him so that he will not be disgraced and fall into the devil's trap.



- 1 Corinthians 4:2 NIV

Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.

- Leadership is a reward for faithfulness.
- How is faithfulness proved, or measured? Time... no other way. This means your faithfulness and availability will be tested by God before leadership is rewarded.
- Someone who is not a new believer.
- Someone whose house is in order.
- Someone who is above reproach – Warning for social media.



- At Connect Group:
 - What are the 4 “W’s”? Why do we do them?
 - It’s not about re-preaching the sermon.
 - It’s about facilitating a meeting. What does this look like?
 - When we welcome people, write their names somewhere so you don’t forget it!
 - Assign the outgoing person to sit with them, and to offer them tea, etc. Don’t let them be alone. It’s the quickest way to lose someone new.
 - When doing the word, try to get the quieter people to engage by asking questions. When you ask and someone who normally answers, say, “and what do you think Gareth?” A person, not into the air if people are too shy.
 - Don’t allow the big talkers to override the evening. Cut in if need be.
 - Try keep to the topic, don’t let it drift off.
 - Try stick to the agreed time as far as possible. Always leave time for coffee/tea afterwards. A time to engage, and find out more about each other.



- Outside Connect Group:
 - Keep in contact with the group individually also. (Divide men and women if possible.)
 - Take notice who is a bit down or not themselves and engage with them at Connect Group.
 - Update CCB, making sure all members details are up to date and accurate.
 - Help out you Zone Pastor with Parking duty and Communion when it's your Zones turn. **EVEN IF ITS NOT YOUR NORMAL SERVICE!**
 - Encourage the members to serve and participate in church life. Don't let them become seat warmers and critics, but engaged and active in church life. Also Baptism, (Water/Holy Spirit) baby dedications.
 - Encourage them, and sometimes as a group, to do a Precept course, attend Positioned for Blessing, or Anointed Marriage. You never know who needs it.