

Leading a Small Group

The Mission of a Small-Group Leader

- Build Relationships.
- Help people grow in Christ.
- Encourage people to express themselves.
- Give people a living example of what it means to be a Christian.

Before a Meeting Begins

- Know your vision so you can keep your group on course.
- Prepare your meeting location and minimize distractions.
- Choose the method of ministry and the timetable for your meeting.
- Pray and prepare yourself spiritually.

During the Meeting

- Start the meeting powerfully and on time.
- Set the course, letting group members know what to expect.
- Get people talking through relevant and creative discussion.
- Lead a discussion, keeping your comments to a minimum.
- Encourage honest prayer requests.

Ending the Meeting

- Leave people hungry for more instead of trying to cram in too much.
- Bring closure, addressing any questions and any unresolved tension.
- Make time for ministry after the meeting.