



 CIRCLES

Your Circle Plan

If we want people to follow us, we got to know where we're going. Your Circle Plan will become your roadmap to a successful Circle. Make it yours, and get started right away. Feel free to reach out to your Circle Coordinator if you need help getting pointed in the right direction.

My Vision for my Circle is:

Need help filling in the blank space? That's okay. Your vision is God-inspired, needed at Grand Point, and vital to your Circle! It's worth getting it right. Remember, small groups are all about meaningful relationships and people growing, but also about changing our community. Use the questions below to uncover your vision. After you do, write a brief vision statement in the blank above.

What type(s) of group best describes your Circle: (check all that apply)

- Sunday Circle Wednesday Circle Community Circle Home Circle
- Long-term Short-term Semester Seasonal: _____
- Shared Interest: _____ Activity-based: _____
- Men only Women only Co-ed Couples Families
- College-age Young Adult Marriage Parenting Blended Family
- Senior Adult Local Connect Other: _____

How will your group utilize your specific gifts and resources?

What will relationships look like in my group?

How will people in my group become better versions of themselves?

How will the community look different because of my group?

When we get together, my Circle will:

Below are the most common parts of a Circle and some information to help you fill in the blank above. The format for your Circle is up to you. Mix and match these parts to write a brief description of what you'll do when you get together.

Talk Together

All groups spend some time catching up with **casual conversation**.

Eat Together

Some groups **enjoy a light snack**, coffee, or even a meal when they get together.

Have Fun Together

Some groups **share an activity** together like working out, bicycling, kayaking, hiking, or other hobbies.

Grow Together

All groups make time to spur on spiritual growth through **intentional discussions**. Pick and choose from the discussion resources below.

- ▣ We'll use the Grand Point Church **Reflect questions** listed in the weekly e-newsletter, distributed on Fridays each week. (Subscribe on our website)
- ▣ We'll use the **Circle Up Study** or the **Belong Study** to get started. (Click the 'Start a Circle' link on our Circles page of our website)
- ▣ We'll read through **YouVersion Bible Plans** and discuss them together.
- ▣ We'll use the small group resources available at **resources.life.church** or another approved group resource: _____

Serve Together

The strongest groups **intentionally volunteer** at their campus or with local mission partners together.

Pray Together

All groups **carry each other's needs** as they pray together.

If there are kids in my Circle, we'll:

If your Circle includes young kids, you'll need a plan.
Find ideas at www.go2.lc/withkids.

My Circle will meet at a great place (consider a neutral community location to start with... coffee shop, diner, library, restaurant, etc.):

My Circle will get together on these days at this time:

My Circle won't be empty because I'm going to:

Here are five ideas to help you fill in the blank above—and your Circle.

1. Invite people **you already know**. This is by far the best place to start.
2. Sign up to **serve at the Hub center** or Circles display at your campus and personally invite people.
3. Invite people with **shared interests**. People you serve with, work out with, pick up kids from Kids Point with, or share a hobby with.
4. Create a **group on the Hub (online)** and list your Circle as open. When people ask to join or inquire, respond quickly and personally.
5. Become a regular attender at a **worship service** time and invite the people you meet or go to church with.

I'm going to own my growth. Here is my development plan as a Circle Leader:

Here are some ideas to help you fill in the blank above. But you've got to *own it*. You'll grow most when you get into the game and begin to lead your Circle. As you encounter challenges and opportunities, we want you to have access to some resources you need. Here are a few to check out:

- Five self-discovery and development tools at www.go2.lc/development.
- A steady supply of leader tips, plans, and growth resources at www.leaders.life.church/lifegroups.
- Commit to *read Scripture daily*.
- Plan to *find a mentor* by a set date.
- Participate in *Circle Leader Huddles*. (Regularly throughout the year, check with your campus coordinator for more information)

I need to follow up with my Circle Coordinator about:

Hey, you've got this.

Circles are the *glue* of Grand Point Church and they don't happen without people like you who *boldly* step up to open their hearts, proximity, and schedules to people around them. ***We believe in you!***

*Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own.
Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's
the one who will keep you on track. Proverbs 3:5-6, MSG*