



# LONG FORM

*As we enter our first year as a College Park Small Group, we agree to abide by the following covenant to assist us in achieving our mission and guide us in our mutual commitment to one another as brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ:*

Our mission as a Small Group is that of College Park Church, which is to ignite a passion to follow Jesus. As a Small Group within the body of believers, we will encourage one another to gather each Sunday at College Park for fellowship and worship of our Lord Jesus, to hear the preached Word of God, and to pray that the Holy Spirit will move each of us to know Christ better and to live Spirit-filled lives in the world to the glory of God.

As a Small Group, we will gather together regularly as a home-based group to continue the process of making disciples and building up the body of believers by...

1. Applying God's word to our everyday lives (Teaching)
2. Building community with love and devotion to one another (Fellowship)
3. Praying for and encouraging one another in our walk with the Lord (Prayer)
4. Sharing our faith, reaching out to the lost, and serving others (Outreach)

As we pursue our mission, we also agree to pursue the following group goals [these are sample goals]:

- Be open and honest with one another.
- Speak the truth in love and share our true feelings.
- Admit our weaknesses and confess our sins to one another.
- Lovingly forgive one another and gently hold one another accountable.
- Respect our differences and be courteous and kind to one another.
- Have fun together as a group.
- Engage in outreach activities.

As we endeavor to become more like Christ and live Spirit-filled lives, it is our desire as His disciples to ...

- Live exemplary Christ-centered lives
- Feed daily upon the Word of God
- Pray for one another
- Hold to the teaching of Jesus
- Bear spiritual fruit
- Encourage one another
- Actively share our faith
- Serve God in everything we do

As a Small Group...

- We will gather together on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Our leaders will be \_\_\_\_\_.
- If they cannot attend a particular week, a substitute leader will be delegated.
- Child care will be handled by \_\_\_\_\_.
- Refreshments will be handled by \_\_\_\_\_.

We will also abide by the following disciplines:

- a. Attendance: We will make every effort to attend all group meetings and arrive on time. If unable to attend, we will contact our leader before the meeting.
- b. Participation: Each of us will come prepared for active participation in discussing the application of God's Word.

- c. Focus: We agree to discuss the application of the Word from our Bibles and to use the pastor's messages as a springboard for our discussion.
- d. Confidentiality: We will keep all matters shared within the group confidential.
- e. Self-Assessment: During the term of this covenant, we will periodically review our progress and make appropriate adjustments.

In full acceptance of this covenant, I, \_\_\_\_\_, recognize my commitment to God and the members of this group, and will keep this document as a reminder of the voluntary covenant I have entered into on this date: \_\_\_\_\_.