



C3 Group Life Philosophy

1. The C3 Value approach.

*Found people find people
Growing people change
Saved people serve people
You can't do life alone*

Our values build on each other, from a person first attending C3 to when they becoming a full C3 partner. We want our weekend service (large group) to open the front door and Group Life (small group) to shut the back door.

2. Group Life is friendships.

C3 Group Life is designed to introduce you to new and different people. By the end of a group quarter you should know at least 12–15 people well enough that you can invite a few into a deeper friendship outside of group.

3. Group Life Calendars – four, 8-9 weeks quarters; Why?

- Natural breaks occur over holidays and school breaks.
- Allows opportunity for new groups and new participants
- Most leaders lead all year and they need a period of rest

4. C3 is a church OF small groups.

C3 is not a church full of events, with small groups as one of the “many.” Our primary focus is Group Life and we will introduce new ministry ideas through our group life model.

5. We make it easy.

At C3 we desire to make it as easy as possible for people to join a group, one step sign ups. We also want to make it as simple as possible for leaders to facilitate a group.

6. Be Prepared.

We ask our group leaders to be prepared with their chosen curriculum, have material prepared before each group gathering, and identify future leaders.

7. Facilitate your Group.

Group leaders are not teachers. Group discussion is key. There may be times during a group meeting that leaders won't talk much at all.

8. Communicate with us

C3 Group Life is the compass for how leadership steers C3. Keep leadership informed of your group by filling out your group report each week. This helps us plan messages, offer extra support for marriages, parenting and so on. Simply filling out attendance helps our church family not fall between the cracks.

9. Replicating yourself.

We want to continually add more small groups at C3. That means we need to multiply group leaders. Be on the lookout for potential leaders in your group.

10. Staff is bought in

Whether it be facilitating the small groups of youth and children, or leading a group. C3 pastors know the importance of group life.